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1965, No. 49

An Act to amend the Nassella Tussock Act 1946

[19 October 1965]

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Nassella Tussock Amendment Act 1965, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Nassella Tussock Act 1946 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. Agreements between Councils and land owners for eradication of nassella tussock—The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section 16, the following section:

“16A. (1) Any Council and the owner of any private land in the county may at any time agree in writing that the owner shall do on or in respect of that private land all such acts or things as appear to the Council to be necessary or expedient for eradicating nassella tussock from that land, or for preventing the spread of nassella tussock from that land to any other land or to that land from any other land.

- “(2) Every such agreement shall—
- “(a) Specify the estimated cost of the work to be carried out by the owner and the time within which the work is to be completed; and
- “(b) Provide for the payment by the Council to the owner of an amount equal to half of the estimated cost of the work or half of the actual cost of the work, whichever is the smaller, on the completion of the work to the satisfaction of the Council within the time specified, or, where in the opinion of the Council there was reasonable excuse for any delay in the completion of the work, within such extended time as the Council thinks fit; and
- “(c) Provide that if the work is not so completed, any cost incurred by the owner shall be borne by him.
- “(3) No such agreement shall be entered into by any Council without the Council first obtaining the written consent of the Minister. Any such consent may be given to a Council either generally or in respect of any such agreement or class of agreements, and may also be given on such terms and conditions as the Minister thinks fit.”

3. Subsidy on expenditure by Councils for purposes of Act—
 Section 17 of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing subsection (1), and substituting the following subsection:

- “(1) Where a Council—
- “(a) Expends any money, not being money recoverable from an owner of land under section 11 of this Act, in doing any work for the purpose of controlling or eradicating *nassella tussock* in its county pursuant to this Part of this Act; or
- “(b) Expends any money pursuant to any agreement entered into with an owner of private land under section 16A of this Act,—
- a subsidy computed at the rate of one pound for every pound so expended by the Council, or at such other rate as the Minister of Finance may determine, shall be payable to the Council.”

This Act is administered in the Department of Agriculture.
