DAIRY INDUSTRY AMENDMENT BILL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of this Bill is to permit, subject to such conditions as the Director-General of Agriculture may prescribe, the grading and export of butter or cheese containing a smaller percentage of butterfat than is at present allowed.

The reason for the proposed legislation is to allow the export of butter containing less than 80 per cent of butterfat to special markets, particularly those in tropical countries, and also the export of cheese containing varying percentages of fat.

No permit will be given in respect of whey butter or creamery butter.

Right Hon. Mr Holyoake

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ANALYSIS

2. Restriction on disposal export of certain butter and

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3. Section 31 of principal Act consequentially amended.

A BILL INTITULED

An Act to amend the Dairy Industry Act 1952.

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

5 of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Dairy Industry Short Title. Amendment Act 1954, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Dairy Industry Act 1952 (here-1952, No. 55 inafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. The principal Act is hereby amended by repealing Restriction section ten, and substituting the following section:

"10. (1) Except in accordance with a permit in that of certain behalf given by the Director-General of Agriculture, no person shall send to any grading store for the purpose 15 of being graded or export or attempt to export any butter which contains more than sixteen per cent of water or less than eighty per cent of butterfat or any cheese of which the water-free substance consists of less than fifty per cent of fats wholly derived from milk.

20 "(2) Any permit given under subsection one of this section shall not apply in respect of whey butter or creamery butter and any such permit shall be subject to

such conditions as may be prescribed therein.

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and export butter and

"(3) Where any butter or cheese is sent to a grading store in contravention of this section, the owner of the butter or cheese shall cause the same to be treated and disposed of in such manner as an Inspector may direct, or the Inspector may, at the expense of the owner, cause the same to be treated and disposed of in such manner as he thinks fit.

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"(4) Any person who sends any butter or cheese to a grading store or who exports or attempts to export any butter or cheese in contravention of this section, and 10 any person who fails to comply with a direction of an Inspector under subsection *three* of this section, commits an offence against this Act."

Section 31 of principal Act consequentially amended.

3. Section thirty-one of the principal Act is hereby amended by repealing paragraphs (d) and (e) of sub- 15 section one.

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