



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Supplementary Order Paper

Wednesday, 25 August 1999

ANIMAL PRODUCTS BILL

Proposed Amendments

Hon JOHN LUXTON, in Committee, to move as follows:

New clause 169A: To insert after line 22 on page 171 the following clause:

169A. Persons who may issue official assurances during transitional period—(1) Despite anything in **section 63**, any person who, as at **1 November 1999**, was an Inspector appointed under section 4 of the Meat Act 1981 with an assigned function of certifying meat and meat products or fish and fish products for export,—

- (a) May, until **1 November 2002** or such earlier time as his or her appointment as an Inspector is revoked, issue official assurances for the purposes of **Parts 1 to 10**; and
- (b) Is to be treated as having been designated under **section 63** as an authorised person able to issue official assurances for the purposes of **Part 5**.

(2) Despite anything in **section 63**, the Director-General may, under that section, designate any person as an authorised person who may issue official assurances during any period ending before **1 November 2002**, notwithstanding that the person may not be employed within the Ministry.

Clause 174: To add after line 22 on page 178 the following subclause:

(5) Any such regulations, and any regulations made under **Parts 1 to 10**, may revoke or amend any of **subclauses (2A) to (8)** of regulation 78 of the Food Regulations 1984 (which relate to the sale of certain shellfish).

Schedule 1: To add at the end of the words in the 3rd bullet point the expression “; or”.

To insert, as the 4th bullet point, the following:

- that might constitute a contaminant to or in any shellfish grown or harvested adjacent to or in the vicinity of that place, being a contaminant that may pose a risk to human health.

Schedule 4: To omit from the right-hand column on pages 203-204 the item relating to regulation 78 of the Food Regulations 1984, and substitute the following item:

By inserting in regulation 78, after sub-clause (2), the following subclause:

“(2A) In this regulation, ‘officer’ includes an animal product officer within the meaning of the Animal Products Act 1999.”

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Supplementary Order Paper—

- (a) Inserts a new *clause 169A* to provide that, during the 3-year transitional period to 1 November 2002, persons who were appointed as Inspectors under the Meat Act 1981 with the function of export certification may issue official assurances, and that the Director-General may designate as persons who may issue official assurances persons who are not employed within the Ministry (particularly to cater for official assurances in relation to fish and honey products); and
- (b) Amends *clause 174* and *Schedule 4* to continue in force regulation 78 of the Food Regulations 1984 (which relates to the sale of shellfish, and was formerly to be substantially revoked), now providing animal product officers with a role under that regulation and allowing it to be revoked or amended by regulations under the Animal Product Bill regime; and
- (c) Amends the form of search warrant in *Schedule 1* of the Bill by inserting a reference that reflects the new *clause 89 (1) (d)* inserted by the select committee.