Distillation

No. 24 of 1972

An Act to amend the Distillation Act 1901–1968.

[Assented to 17 May 1972]

 \mathbf{B}^{E} it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

1.--(1.) This Act may be cited as the Distillation Act 1972.

Short title and citation.

(2.) The Distillation Act 1901-1968,* as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Distillation Act 1901-1972.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the first day of July, One Commencethousand nine hundred and seventy-two.

3. The Distillation Act 1901-1968 is amended as set out in the Schedule schedule. to this Act.

Act No. 8, 1901, as amended by No. 21, 1906; No. 34, 1918; No. 9, 1923; No. 13, 1925; No. 3, 1931; No. 8, 1934; No. 86, 1947; No. 80, 1950; No. 54, 1952; No. 55, 1954; No. 74, 1956; No. 93, 1966; and Nos. 16 and 106, 1968.

Section 3.

THE SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS OF THE DISTILLATION ACT 1901-1968

Provision		Amendment
Section 3	••	Omit— "Part VI.—Vignerons (Sections 53-57)." insert— "Part VI.—Vignerons (Sections 54-57).".
Section 6		 (a) Insert before the definition of "Australian wine" the following definition:— "Alcohol' means ethyl alcohol.". (b) Omit the definition of "Winery". (c) Add at the end of the section the following sub-section:— "(2.) For the purposes of this Act— (a) the volume of alcohol contained in any liquor or other substance shall be taken to be the volume that would be the volume of that alcohol if the alcohol were measured at a temperature of twenty degrees Celsius; and (b) a calculation made for the purpose of ascertaining the volume of alcohol by reference to the specific gravity of alcohol shall be made on the basis that, at a temperature of twenty degrees Celsius and in vacuum, the specific gravity of alcohol in relation to water is 0.79067.".
Section 11A	••	Omit "one gallon", insert "five litres".
Section 40	••	Omit "ten gallons", insert "forty-five litres".
Section 53	••	Repeal the section.
Section 57B (a)	••	Omit "at a strength not exceeding forty per centum over proof", insert "and containing not more than eighty per centum by volume of alcohol".
Section 59 (1.) (a)		Omit "forty per centum of proof spirit", insert "twenty-three per centum by volume of alcohol".
Section 59 (1.) (b)	••	Omit " of a strength not less than thirty per centum over proof", insert " that contains not less than seventy-four per centum by volume of alcohol".
Section 59 (2.)	••	 (a) Omit "of a strength not less than proof", insert "containing not less than fifty-seven per centum by volume of alcohol". (b) Omit "three per centum proof spirit", insert "one and seven-tenths per centum".
Section 59 (2A.)	••	 (a) Omit "of a strength less than thirty per centum over proof", insert "containing less than seventy-four per centum by volume of alcohol". (b) Omit paragraph (a), insert the following paragraph:— "(a) the spirit contains not less than sixty-two per centum by volume of alcohol; and ".
Section 59 (3.)	••	Omit "forty-two per centum of proof spirit", insert "twenty-four per centum by volume of alcohol".
Section 59 (4.)	••	Omit "forty per centum of proof spirit", insert "twenty-three per centum by volume of alcohol".
Section 62	••	Omit "spirits at proof", insert "alcohol".
Section 73A (3.)	•••	Omit "one gallon", insert "five litres".
Section 76 (II.)	••	Omit "forty per centum of proof spirit", insert "twenty-three per centum by volume of alcohol".
Section 77	••	Omit "one hundred yards", insert "ninety metres".

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