

# MEAT EXPORT CONTROL.

**No. 18 of 1953.**

## An Act to amend the *Meat Export Control Act 1935-1950.*

[Assented to 9th April, 1953.]

**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 *Meat Export Control Act 1953.* Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Meat Export Control Act 1935-1950\** is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3.) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the *Meat Export Control Act 1935-1953.*

2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by Commencement. Proclamation.

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\* Act No. 52, 1935, as amended by No. 7, 1936; No. 19, 1938; No. 36, 1946; and No. 80, 1950.

Australian  
Meat Board.

3. Section five of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting in sub-section (15.), after the word “ may ”, the words “ , subject to the next succeeding sub-section, ” ; and

(b) by omitting the proviso to sub-section (15.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section :—

“(15A.) Where the member whose place has become vacant was appointed in accordance with sub-section (4.), (5.), (6.), (7.) or (8.) of this section, the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall, subject to sub-section (10.) of this section, be appointed in accordance with that sub-section.”.

Meetings of  
the Board.

4. Section ten of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (5A.).

Executive  
Committee of  
Board.

5. Section eleven of the Principal Act is amended by inserting in sub-section (10.), after the word “ fees ”, the word “ , allowances ”.

State  
Committees.

6. Section twelve of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (3.) and inserting in its stead the following sub-section :—

“(3.) The members of any such Committee shall hold office during the pleasure of the Minister and shall be paid such fees, allowances and expenses as the Minister determines.”.

7. Section thirteen of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

Salaries, fees,  
allowances and  
expenses.

“ 13.—(1.) Subject to this section, members of the Board (other than the Chairman and the member appointed in pursuance of section five of this Act to represent employees engaged in the slaughter and preparation of meat or meat products for export) and deputies of members shall be paid, in respect of attendance at meetings of the Board or of a committee of the Board or while engaged (whether in Australia or overseas), with the approval of the Board, on business of the Board, such fees, allowances and expenses as the Governor-General determines.

“(2.) The Chairman, and the member appointed in pursuance of section five of this Act to represent employees engaged in the slaughter and preparation of meat or meat products for export, shall receive such salaries, allowances and expenses as the Governor-General determines.

“(3.) If a member of the Board or a deputy of a member is also a member of the Parliament of the Commonwealth or of a State, he shall not be paid salary, fees, allowances or expenses under either of the last two preceding sub-sections, but shall be reimbursed such expenses as he reasonably incurs by reason of his attendance at meetings of the Board or of a committee of the Board or of his engagement (whether in Australia or overseas), with the approval of the Board, on business of the Board.”.

8. Section fifteen of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

“ 15.—(1.) Subject to this section, the Board may employ such persons as it thinks necessary to assist the Board in exercising its powers and performing its functions under this Act. Employment of staff.

“ (2.) The terms and conditions of employment of persons employed under this section shall be such as are determined by the Board with the approval of the Public Service Board.

“ (3.) Where a person employed in pursuance of this section was, immediately before he became employed by the Board, an officer of the Public Service of the Commonwealth, his service as a person employed by the Board shall, for the purpose of determining his existing and accruing rights, be taken into account as if it were service in the Public Service of the Commonwealth, and the *Officers' Rights Declaration Act 1928-1953* applies as if this Act and this section had been specified in the Schedule to that Act.”.

9. Section eighteen of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

“ 18.—(1.) A contract for—

(a) the carriage of meat, meat products or edible offal by sea to a place beyond the Commonwealth ; or

(b) the insurance of meat, meat products or edible offal to be so carried against loss or deterioration while awaiting transport or in transit or until disposed of,

shall not be made except—

(c) by the Board acting as the agent of the owner of the meat, meat products or edible offal or of another person having authority to export the meat, meat products or edible offal ; or

(d) in conformity with conditions approved by the Board.

“ (2.) A contract of the kind specified in the last preceding subsection made otherwise than in accordance with this section is void.

“ (3.) A Collector of Customs or other officer of Customs may require a person who seeks to export meat, meat products or edible offal from the Commonwealth, on making entry of the meat, meat products or edible offal under the *Customs Act 1901-1952* and before the entry has been passed, to satisfy him that the contract for the carriage of the meat, meat products or edible offal is in conformity with conditions approved by the Board, and the Collector or other officer may decline to pass the entry until that person has so satisfied him.”.

10. Section twenty-one of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraphs (c) and (d) and inserting in their stead the following paragraph :— Application of moneys paid into accounts or Fund.

“ (c) in payment of the salaries, fees, allowances and expenses payable under sections eleven to fifteen (inclusive) of this Act ; ”.