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GEORGII V. REGIS.

No. 46.

AN ACT to amend the Stock Act 1932.

[13 December, 1934.]

A.D. **1934.**

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

Short title.

1 This Act may be cited as the Stock Act 1934.

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Amendment of 23 Geo, V. No. 54. New Part IXA.

2 The Principal Act is hereby amended by inserting after the end of Part IX. thereof the following new Part IXA, comprising sections forty-three A to forty-three H inclusive :-

"PART IXA.

"SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS; STRAYING ANIMALS.

"Division I .- Slaughter of Animals.

"43A—(1) The provisions of this division shall not apply to the This division cities of Hobart and Launceston, or to the suburban area defined in not to apply section one hundred and thirty-eight of the Hobart Corporation Act to cities. 1930.

"(2) For the purposes of this Division—

Definition of "animal."

- 'Animal' means any horse, ass, mule, ox, sheep, goat, or pig of any sex or age: and
- 'Carcase' includes any part of the carcase of an animal.

Appointment of inspectors.

"43B The council of any municipality may appoint such and so many inspectors of stock as the council may think necessary for such municipality.

No person animals or sell meat unless licensed.

- "43C-(1) No person shall slaughter or cause to be slaughtered to slaughter for sale any animal, or to sell or cause to be sold the carcase of any animal or any meat, unless he is the holder of a slaughtering licence under this Act.
 - "Penalty: Fifty pounds.
 - "(2) The provisions of subsection (1) hereof shall not apply to any person who slaughters, or causes to be slaughtered, an animal and who sells the undivided carcase thereof to the holder of a slaughtering licence, auctioneer's licence, or butcher's licence, or delivers such undivided carcase to such holder for sale on his behalf.

Issue of slaughtering licences.

"43D—(1) Every slaughtering licence to be granted under this Act in any municipality shall be granted by the warden, who shall charge and receive for the same such sum not exceeding five pounds, as for the time being is in that behalf fixed by the council.

Appropriation of licence fees. Form and

licence.

- "(2) All fees received for slaughtering licences in any municipality, shall be applied in aid of the municipal fund of the municipality.
- "(3) Every slaughtering licence shall be in the prescribed form and duration of shall expire on the thirty-first day of December next after the date on which it is issued.

Animals not to be slaughtered for sale without notice to inspector.

- "43E—(1) No person being the holder of a slaughtering licence shall-
 - 1. Slaughter, or cause to be slaughtered, any animal for sale without giving sufficient notice of his intention so to do to the inspector of stock, to enable such inspector to inspect

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such animal, and affording opportunity and permission to such inspector to inspect such animal before the same is slaughtered: or

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II. Refuse or neglect to state to such inspector, upon being by Name of him requested so to do, the name and residence as well of owner, &c., the owner of any such animal as the person from whom he of animals received the same. on request.

"Penalty: Twenty pounds.

"(2) Every person who gives any notice to the inspector of stock Animals to for the purpose of enabling such inspector to inspect any animal shall be yarded to yard such animal so as to enable such inspector properly and effectually enable inspector to to inspect the same; and it shall be lawful for such inspector, upon his inspect. inspecting any animal, to brand or otherwise mark such animal so as Inspector to enable him to recognise the same.

" Penalty: Twenty pounds.

"(3) The inspector of stock may demand and receive for inspecting inspection. each head of cattle and sheep respecting the sum as may be prescribed Fees to be by by-law; and no inspector of stock shall demand or receive any inspector. higher fees over and above the amount of such charges.

"Penalty: Fifty pounds.

"(4) The person giving notice to the inspector shall, immediately upon demand, pay the amount of such charges.

"Penalty: Five pounds

"43F—(1) If the inspector of stock has reasonable cause of sus-Inspector picion that any animal he is inspecting has been stolen, it shall be may seize lawful for such inspector to seize and detain such animal; and he is animals suspected hereby directed forthwith to report any such seizure, and the grounds to be stolen. thereof, to the warden of the municipality or some justice residing in the district in which such animal is seized, who shall thereupon make such order in the matter as the justice of the case may require.

(2) The provisions of this section shall apply in respect of an inspection made under any of the provisions of this Act.

"43G Nothing in this Act contained shall extend to or affect any Act not to person who slaughters or causes to be slaughtered any animal for the affect perconsumption of his family, servants, or workmen, or shall extend to or sons slaughaffect any person in respect of any animal slaughtered in any case mals for where humanity enjoins its immediate death: Provided that in every their own such case as last aforesaid the person slaughtering such animal shall, use, or any as soon as possible afterwards, give notice thereof to the inspector of case where humanity stock, and shall, if required so to do, produce the ears and entire skin demands of such animal to such inspector.

"Division II.—Straying Animals.

"43H—(1) No person, being the owner or usual keeper of any Dangerous stallion, bull, boar, or ram, shall permit such animal to be in any animals. public place unless the same is under the immediate custody or control of some competent person.

"Penalty: Twenty pounds.

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"(2) No person, being the owner or usual keeper of any horse, mule, ass, ox, pig, sheep, or goat (other than those enumerated in subsection (1) hereof), shall permit such animal to graze or stray in any public place.

"Penalty: One pound; or, for any fifth or subsequent offence

within a period of five years, twenty pounds

Exceptions.

"(3) The provisions of subsection (2) hereof shall not apply in respect of any milch cow grazing in pursuance of any authority lawfully issued by the body controlling the public place where such cow is grazing; nor to any animal grazing on an unfenced road not within any town."