TRACTOR BOUNTY (NO. 2).

No. 80 of 1939.

An Act to amend the Tractor Bounty Act 1939.

[Assented to 15th December, 1939.]

[Date of commencement, 12th January, 1940.]

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows :---

Short title and citation. 1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the *Tractor Bounty Act* (No. 2) 1939.

(2.) The Tractor Bounty Act 1939*, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Tractor Bounty Acts 1939.

Rates of bounty.

Rates of wages and conditions of employment. 2. Section seven of the *Tractor Bounty Act* 1939 is amended by omitting from sub-section (6.) the words "equivalent to that increase or reduction" and inserting in their stead the words "equivalent to that reduction or increase".

3. After section nine of the Tractor Bounty Act 1939 the following section is inserted :--

"9A.--(1.) Where, in the locality where tractors in respect of the production of which bounty is claimed are manufactured, any standard rates of wages or conditions of employment to be paid or observed in respect of any persons employed in the manufacture of those tractors have been---

- (a) prescribed by any award, order or determination of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration or of any other industrial authority of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory or in any industrial agreement registered under any law of the Commonwealth, or of a State or Territory; or
- (b) declared to be fair and reasonable in accordance with the provisions of sub-section (2.) of this section,

a manufacturer when making any claim for bounty in respect of the production of any tractors shall certify to the Collector that the rates of wages and the conditions of employment observed by him in respect of the persons employed in the manufacture of tractors were not less favourable to the persons so employed than the rates and conditions so prescribed or declared.

• Act No. 35, 1939.

"(2.) If, in the locality where tractors in respect of the production of which bounty is claimed are manufactured, the rates of wages and conditions of employment to be paid and observed in respect of any persons employed in the manufacture of those tractors have not been prescribed by any award, order or determination of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration or of any other industrial authority of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory or in any industrial agreement registered under any law of the Commonwealth, or of a State or Territory, the Minister may make application to the Chief Judge or a Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for a declaration as to what rates of wages and conditions of employment are fair and reasonable for persons employed in the manufacture of tractors in that locality.

"(3.) If the Minister finds that the rates of wages paid to, or the conditions of employment, or any of them, observed in respect of, persons employed in the manufacture of tractors upon which bounty is claimed were less favourable to those persons than the rates and conditions prescribed or declared as specified in paragraph (a) or paragraph (b), as the case may be, of sub-section (1.) of this section, he may direct that the whole or any part of any bounty shall not be payable and that whole or part, as the case may be, shall thereupon not be payable."

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