RABBIT SKINS EXPORT CHARGES.

No. 35 of 1940.

An Act to impose a Charge on the Export of Rabbit Skins.

[Assented to 3rd June, 1940.]

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Rabbit Skins Export Charges Act Short title 1940.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it commencement. receives the Royal Assent.

Definitions.

Charges on export of rabbit skins.

Exemption from charge.

3. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—

"the Australian Rabbit Skins Board" means the Australian Rabbit Skins Board constituted under the Rabbit Skins Export Charges Appropriation Act 1940.

4.--(1.) A charge is imposed and shall be levied and paid on all rabbit skins exported from the Commonwealth after a date to be fixed by Proclamation.

(2.) The rate of charge shall be as prescribed, after report to the Minister by the Australian Rabbit Skins Board, but shall not in any case exceed ninepence for each pound of rabbit skins exported.

(3.) All moneys payable under this section in respect of any rabbit skins shall be paid, on or before the entry of the rabbit skins for export, to such officers as are prescribed.

5.--(1.) The Governor-General may, from time to time, by order published in the *Gazette*, after report to the Minister by the Australian Rabbit Skins Board, exempt any rabbit skins from the charge imposed by or under this Act.

(2.) Any exemption under this section may be unconditional or subject to such conditions, and shall apply in respect of such period (if any), as are specified in the order of exemption.

(3.) The Governor-General may, by order published in the *Gazette*, cancel any exemption made under this section of any rabbit skins from the charge imposed by or under this Act, and thereupon that charge shall, from the date fixed by the order, become payable in respect of those rabbit skins.

6. The Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Act, prescribing all matters which are by this Act required or permitted to be prescribed or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed, for carrying out or giving effect to this Act, and in particular for prescribing the rate of the charge imposed by this Act.

7. This Act shall continue in force until a date to be fixed by Proclamation as the date upon which the Act shall cease to be in force.

Regulations.

Duration of Act.