**MEAT RESEARCH AMENDMENT ACT 1977**

**No. 72 of 1977**

An Act to amend the *Meat Research Act* 1960.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

**Short title, &c.**

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the *Meat Research Amendment Act* 1977.

(2) The *Meat Research Act* 1960 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

**Commencement.**

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

**Interpretation.**

**3.** Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting after the definition of “cattle” the following definition:—

“‘Corporation’ means the Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation established by section 6 of the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act* 1977;

(b) by omitting from the definition of “meat producer” the words “or lambs” and substituting the words “, lambs or goats”; and

(c) by omitting the definition of “the Board”.

**Moneys to be paid into the Research Account.**

**4.** Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) the words “and paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section six B, of the *Live-stock Slaughter Levy Act* 1964-1968” and substituting the words “paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section six B, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section six C, and paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section six D, of the *Live-stock Slaughter Levy Act* 1964”;

(b) by omitting from paragraph (aa) of sub-section (1) the words “and paragraph (c) of sub-section (1) of section six B of the *Live-stock Slaughter Levy Act* 1964-1968” and substituting the words “paragraph (c) of sub-section (1) of section six B, paragraph (c) of sub-section (1) of section six C, and paragraph (c) of sub-section (1) of section six D, of the *Live-stock Slaughter Levy Act* 1964”;

(c) by inserting after paragraph (aa) of sub-section (1) the following paragraph: —

“(ab) amounts equal to the amount of charge received by the Commonwealth by virtue of paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 7, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 8, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 9, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 10, and paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 11, of the *Live-stock Export Charge Act* 1977;

(d) by omitting from sub-section (2) the words “and (aa)” and substituting the words “, (aa) and (ab)”;

(e) by omitting from sub-section (3) the words “paragraph (a), (aa) or (b)” and substituting the words “paragraph (a), (aa), (ab) or (b)”; and

(f) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:—

“(6) A reference in paragraph (ab) of sub-section (1) to amounts of charge received by the Commonwealth shall be read as including a reference to amounts payable by way of penalty in accordance with section 6 of the *Live-stock Export Charge Collection Act* 1977 in relation to amounts of charge referred to in that paragraph.

**Application of the Research Account.**

**5.** Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) the words “and lambs” (wherever occurring) and substituting the words “, lambs and goats”; and

(b) by omitting from paragraph (d) of that sub-section the word “Board” and substituting the word “Corporation”.

**Separate account in respect of research into processing of meat.**

**6.** Section 6a of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (3) the words “or lambs” and substituting the words “, lambs or goats”.

**Australian Meat Research Committee.**

**7.** Section 8 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (a) of sub-section (2) and substituting the following paragraph: —

“(a) to make recommendations to the Corporation with respect to the amounts to be prescribed from time to time—

(i) for the purposes of paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (1) of section 6, paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (1) of section 6a, paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (1) of section 6b, paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (1) of section 6c, and paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (1) of section 6d, of the *Live- stock Slaughter Levy Act* 1964; and

(ii) for the purposes of paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 7, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 8, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 9, paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 10, and paragraph (b) of sub-section (1) of section 11, of the *Live- stock Export Charge Act* 1977; and”.

**Constitution of Committee.**

**8.** Section 9 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the word “Board” (wherever occurring) and substituting the word “Corporation”.

**Removal and resignation of members of Committee and deputies of members.**

**9.** Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (3) the word “Board” and substituting the word “Corporation”.

**Chairman of the Committee.**

**10.** Section 12 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (3) the word “Board” and substituting the word “Corporation”.

**Administrative and clerical assistance.**

**11.** (1) Section 16 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting the word “Board” (wherever occurring) and substituting the word “Corporation”; and

(b) by omitting from sub-section (3) the words “section thirty-three of the *Meat Industry Act* 1964” and substituting the words “section 36 of the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act* 1977”.

(2) Where, before the date of commencement of this Act, the Australian Meat Board had made available to the Australian Meat Research Committee administrative and clerical assistance but no payment had, before that date, been made to that Board by way of reimbursement of the cost of that assistance, sub-sections 16(2) and (3) of the Principal Act as amended by this Act apply in relation to that administrative and clerical assistance as if it had been made available to the Committee by the Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation.