Legislative Council

Agricultural Tenancies Amendment Bill

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 4 April 2001.

R Jones No. 1 Page 3, Schedule 1 [2], line 10. Insert "to the principles of ecologically sustainable development (as described by section 6 (2) of the *Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991*) insofar as they are capable of applying to those farming practices and"after "farming practices".

*R Jones No. 2 Page 4, Schedule 1 [4]. Insert after line 4:

sustainable agricultural production is agricultural production that complies with the following criteria:

- (a) responsiveness to consumer needs for food and fibre products that are healthy and of high quality,
- (b) the taking into account of the cost of production, including environmental costs, and pricing that reflects those costs,
- (c) the protection and restoration of the natural resource base on which agriculture depends,
- (d) the prevention of adverse on-site and off-site impacts on the environment and any sector of the community,
- (e) be flexible in order to accommodate regional differences and changing economic, environmental and social circumstances such as drought or terms of trade,
- (f) financial viability.

These features of sustainable agriculture should be considered as a package, and no single feature should predominate over the others.

^{*} Amendment as amended by the Govt & Oppn.