

Meat Industry Amendment Bill 1999

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are:

- (a) to amend the *Meat Industry Act 1978* to provide for the appointment of a consumer representative to the Board of the New South Wales Meat Industry Authority, and
- (b) to amend the *Food Production (Safety) Act 1998*, which amends the *Meat Industry Act 1978* by establishing a Meat Industry Consultative Council, to provide for the appointment of a consumer representative to the Council in terms similar to the amendment made to the *Meat Industry Act 1978* by this Bill.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on assent.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Meat Industry Act 1978* set out in Schedule 1.

Clause 4 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendment to the *Food Production (Safety) Act 1998* set out in Schedule 2.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Meat Industry Act 1978

Schedule 1 [1] amends section 45 of the Act as a consequence of the amendment made by Schedule 1 [2].

Schedule 1 [2] provides for an additional member on the Board of the New South Wales Meat Industry Authority to be appointed by the Minister as a representative of consumers of meat.

Schedule 2 Amendment of Food Production (Safety) Act 1998

Schedule 2 amends a provision establishing the Meat Industry Consultative Council (the functions of which include the provision of advice to the Minister on certain matters relating to the meat industry) that is to be inserted into the *Meat Industry Act 1978*. The amendment modifies the description of the member of the Council to be appointed by the Minister as a representative of consumers of meat so that the description is in terms similar to the amendment made to the *Meat Industry Act 1978* by Schedule 1 [2].