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DEFAMATION (FARM PRODUCE) AMENDMENT BILL, 1983

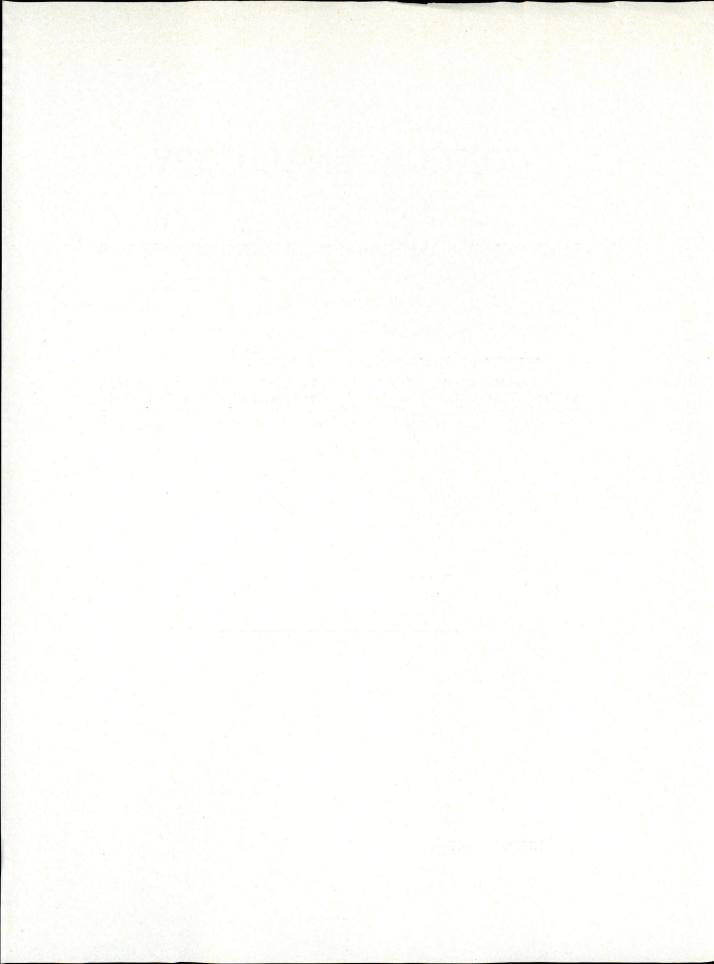
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

This Bill is cognate with the Farm Produce Bill, 1983.

The object of this Bill is to insert a section 17EA in the Defamation Act, 1974, which provides a defence of absolute privilege for the publication of a notice under the proposed Farm Produce Act, 1983, relating to the cancellation or suspension of a licence or claims against a licensee who has defaulted under that proposed Act.

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DEFAMATION (FARM PRODUCE) AMENDMENT BILL, 1983

No. , 1983.

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Defamation Act, 1974, in relation to the publication of certain notices under the Farm Produce Act, 1983.

[MR DAY-2 December, 1982.]

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Defamation (Farm Produce) Amendment.

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

5 Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Defamation (Farm Produce) Amendment Act, 1983".

Commencement.

2. (1) Sections 1 and 2 shall commence on the date of assent to this 10 Act.

(2) Except as provided by subsection (1), this Act shall commence on the day appointed and notified under section 2 (2) of the Farm Produce Act, 1983.

Amendment of Act No. 18, 1974.

15 **3.** The Defamation Act, 1974, is amended by inserting after section 17E the following section:—

Matters relating to farm produce sellers.

17EA. There is a defence of absolute privilege for the publication of a notice under section 47 or 48 of the Farm Produce Act, 1983.

(20c)