PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (PRESCRIBED DEFENCES) AMENDMENT BILL 1986

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Bill is cognate with the Veterinary Surgeons Bill 1986.

The object of this Bill is to amend section 24 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 (prescribed defences to prosecutions) so as to bring that section into line with the provisions of section 44 of the proposed Veterinary Surgeons Act 1986 (permitted practices for unregistered persons).

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 amends section 24 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 so as to provide that it is a defence to a prosecution under Part II of that Act (offences) if the accused person satisfies the court that the act complained of related to—

- (a) the castration of pigs under 2 months of age or of cattle, sheep or goats under 6 months of age;
- (b) the dehorning of goats under 1 month of age or of cattle under 12 months of age; or

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(c) the tailing of sheep under 6 months of age or the mulesing of sheep under 12 months of age,

in a manner that inflicted no unnecessary pain upon the animals.

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No. , 1986

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section 24 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 to vary the prescribed defences under that Act in line with the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1986.

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

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1. This Act may be cited as the "Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Prescribed Defences) Amendment Act 1986".

Amendment of Act No. 200, 1979

- 2. The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 is amended by omitting section 24 (a) (ii)-(iv) and by inserting instead the following subparagraphs:
 - (ii) a pig of less than 2 months of age or a stock animal of less than 6 months of age which belongs to a class of animals comprising cattle, sheep or goats—in the course of, and for the purpose of, castrating the animal;
 - (iii) a goat of less than 1 month of age or a stock animal of less than 12 months of age which belongs to the class of animal comprising cattle—in the course of, and for the purpose of, dehorning the animal;
- 20 (iv) a sheep of less than 6 months of age—in the course of, and for the purpose of, tailing the animal; or
 - (v) a sheep of less than 12 months of age—in the course of, and for the purpose of, performing the Mules operation upon the animal,





PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (PRESCRIBED DEFENCES) AMENDMENT ACT 1986 No. 56

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TABLE OF PROVISIONS

- 1. Short title
- 2. Amendment of Act No. 200, 1979

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (PRESCRIBED DEFENCES) AMENDMENT ACT 1986 No. 56

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Act No. 56, 1986

An Act to amend section 24 of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 to vary the prescribed defences under that Act in line with the Veterinary Surgeons Act 1986. [Assented to, 15 May 1986]

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:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the "Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Prescribed Defences) Amendment Act 1986".

Amendment of Act No. 200, 1979

- 2. The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 is amended by omitting section 24 (a) (ii)-(iv) and by inserting instead the following subparagraphs:
 - (ii) a pig of less than 2 months of age or a stock animal of less than 6 months of age which belongs to a class of animals comprising cattle, sheep or goats—in the course of, and for the purpose of, castrating the animal;
 - (iii) a goat of less than 1 month of age or a stock animal of less than 12 months of age which belongs to the class of animal comprising cattle—in the course of, and for the purpose of, dehorning the animal;
 - (iv) a sheep of less than 6 months of age—in the course of, and for the purpose of, tailing the animal; or
 - (v) a sheep of less than 12 months of age—in the course of, and for the purpose of, performing the Mules operation upon the animal,