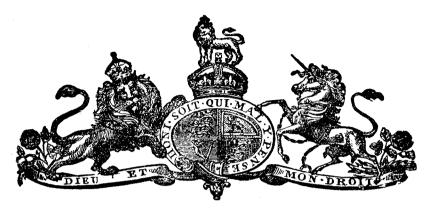
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AN ACT to provide for the Establishment of a State Meat Board for the Encouragement of the Export of Meat from this State.

[22 December, 1933.]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1 This Act may be cited as "The Meat Industry Act, 1933."

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2 The Acts enumerated in the schedule are hereby repealed.

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Constitution of the Board.

- 3—(1) There shall be constituted for the purposes of this Act a Board, to be called "The State Meat Board" (hereinafter called "the Board").
- (2) The Board shall consist of three persons, appointed as herein-after provided.
- (3) The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal, and sue or be sued in its corporate name.
- (4) The members of the Board shall be appointed by the Governor and, of such members, one shall be nominated by the Agricultural Bureau and one by the Tasmanian Farmers, Stockowners, and Orchardists' Association.
- (5) The members of the Board shall hold office for three years, but so that one member shall retire each year and the members to retire at the end of the first and second years respectively from the date of first appointment shall be decided by lot in such manner as the Board may determine, and thereafter the member who has been longest in office shall retire each year.
- (6) In the event of a casual vacancy occurring on the Board, the Governor shall appoint some person nominated if required in the same manner as the vacating member to hold office for the unexpired period of the vacating member's term of office.
- (7) Any two members shall constitute a quorum of the Board for the transaction of business, and the Board may lawfully exercise all or any of its powers notwithstanding that the office of any member may be vacant, if not less than two members are present.
- (8) The members of the Board shall elect one of their number from time to time as Chairman of the Board.
- (9) The election of Chairman shall take place at the first meeting of the Board after its formation, and thereafter at the first meeting held after the annual appointment of a member; and the Chairman so elected shall hold office until the election of his successor, unless he sooner ceases to be a member.
- (10) In case of a casual vacancy in the office of Chairman the Board shall elect a Chairman to hold office until the next annual election of Chairman.
- (11) If either of the bodies mentioned in Subsection (4) hereof fails, within fourteen days after being required by the Minister so to do, to nominate a member for appointment as therein provided, or to transmit the name of the person so nominated to the Governor, the Governor may appoint some person as representing that body without such nomination.

Proceedings of Board.

4—(1) The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Board at which he is present, and in his absence from any meeting the members present shall elect one of their number as Chairman for that meeting.

(2) The Chairman shall have a deliberative vote only, and in the A.D. 1933. event of the voting being equal the question shall be decided in the negative.

(3) The first meeting of the Board shall be held at such time and place as the Governor may direct, and all meetings thereafter shall be held as the Board may determine, or, failing any such determination or in any emergency, as the Chairman may appoint.

(4) In all other respects the Board may regulate its own procedure.

5 There shall be paid, out of the funds at the Board's disposal, to Allowances to every member of the Board—

members.

- 1. Such fee, not exceeding an amount at the rate of One Pound for each day the member attends a meeting of the Board:
- 11. Such travelling allowance, not exceeding the usual charge for the same journey by public conveyance: and
- III. If the member resides at a material distance from the place of meeting, such living allowance in respect of each day or part thereof, not exceeding an amount at the rate of Fifteen Shillings for each such day as aforesaid—

as the Board in each of the said cases from time to time may determine.

- 6—(1) Upon the constitution of the Board as hereinbefore provided, Property of the all moneys, securities, choses in action, and other property vested in, held by, or belonging, at the passing of this Act, to the State Meat Board under the Meat Industry Encouragement Act, 1929 (which lastmentiontioned Board is hereby dissolved and abolished), shall, by virtue of this Act and without formal transfer or assignment, vest in and become the property of the Board and be held by it under and for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) Every person having possession or control of any such money, securities, or property as aforesaid shall hand over and deliver the same to the Board on demand.
- 7-(1) The Board shall collect and get in all the property vested Application of in it by this Act, and shall convert into money all such portions thereof funds. as do not consist of money or not already in the form of Commonwealth Inscribed Stock, and, after payment thereout of all liabilities as hereinafter provided, shall invest the whole of such moneys and the proceeds of such property in Commonwealth Inscribed Stock.
- (2) The Board shall hold such inscribed stock as aforesaid for the purposes of this Act.
- (3) The Board shall deposit inscribed stock to the face value of Three thousand three hundred Pounds with the Treasurer, and the same shall be held as security for the payment of any moneys which may become payable to H. Jones and Company Proprietary Limited under the agreement to be entered into by the Board with the said Company as provided by Section Ten.

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- (4) If and whenever it shall become necessary so to do, the Board shall realise on so much of the said inscribed stock as the occasion may require, and out of the proceeds thereof shall pay all moneys which shall have become payable under any such guarantees as aforesaid.
- (5) The Board may apply the interest to be received from such investment as aforesaid in defraying the expenses incurred by it in the administration of this Act.

Liquidation of liabilities of former Board.

- **8**—(1) The Board, as soon as conveniently may be after its constitution, shall pay and discharge out of the moneys at its disposal all outstanding liabilities incurred by the State Meat Board abovementioned and all moneys which may be lawfully payable out of the funds formerly held by that Board.
- (2) If any claim is made against such funds which, in the opinion of the Board, is excessive or unwarrantable, the Board in its discretion may compromise, compound, or contest such claim as in its opinion the circumstances require, and for such purpose may apply any moneys at its disposal.

Financial provisions.

- **9**—(1) The Board may borrow, by way of overdraft upon its bank account, secured upon the moneys and securities vested in the Board, such amounts as the Board may require for carrying out its functions under this Act other than those for which special provision is hereinbefore provided.
- (2) The amount to be borrowed by the Board as aforesaid shall, in no case, exceed the annual income returnable by way of interest from the moneys to be invested by the Board as provided by this Act, and the amount to be expended by the Board in any one year for the purpose of carrying out the functions mentioned in Subsection (1) hereof shall not exceed such annual income.

Adjustment of certain obligations of former Board.

- 10—(1) Upon H. Jones & Company Proprietary Limited entering into an agreement with the Board whereby the said Company waive all claims or demands which might or could have arisen or been made by the said company against any person or body or against the State under or in respect of any agreement entered into by the State Meat Board hereinbefore mentioned or in respect of the termination of any such agreement, and whereby the said Company agrees to take over all obligations of the said State Meat Board under an agreement entered into by that Board with the Corporation of the City of Hobart on the tenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, in respect of a period of three years after the passing of this Act, and to enter into an agreement with the said Corporation accordingly, the Board shall give to the said Company such guarantees as it may require not in excess of the guarantees respectively provided for by such terminated agreements as aforesaid.
- (2) The agreements so to be entered into by the said Company shall be in accordance with the written undertaking given for that purpose by the said Company to the Minister prior to the passing of this Act.

- (3) If the said Company shall fail, when requested by the Board, to A.D. 1933. enter into an agreement in accordance with its said undertaking, the Company shall thereby forfeit all its rights, claims, and demands under or in relation to any agreement made by it with the State Meat Board beforementioned.
- (4) If the Corporation of the City of Hobart, when requested by the said Company so to do, shall fail to agree to the taking over by the said Company of the said agreement of the tenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, the said Corporation shall forfeit all its rights under that agreement so far as the same relates to the said period of three years.
- **11**—(1) The Board may enter into an agreement with H. Jones Agreements by and Company Proprietary Limited as provided by Section Ten, and the Board. such agreement may provide for the guarantees therein specified and for the payment of any moneys which may become payable in respect thereof out of any moneys at the Board's disposal.

- (2) On the expiration or sooner determination of such agreement as aforesaid, the Board may renew such agreement or may enter into an agreement for the like objects with any other person, and may give such guarantees thereunder as the Board may think fit, but the aggregate amount secured by such guarantees shall not exceed the aggregate amount guaranteed by the Board under such firstmentioned agreement.
- (3) The Board may enter into an agreement with the said Corporation for the settlement of any outstanding obligations under the said recited agreement of the tenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, in respect of any period after the expiration of the three years mentioned in Section Ten, upon terms to be mutually agreed between the said parties, and may pay to the Corporation any moneys which may become payable in pursuance of the agreement so made.
- 12—(1) The Board shall act in an advisory capacity upon all Powers and matters relating to the meat industry of this State and the production, functions of the preparation, processing, and marketing of meat for export from this Board. State.

- (2) The Board may apply any moneys at its disposal for the purpose of—
 - I. Advertising meat exported from this State:
 - II. Encouraging the production of meat best suited for export:
- III. Distributing information relating to the meat industry in such manner as the Board thinks best.
- (3) The Board may appoint a secretary to the Board and may define his duties and may pay to the person so appointed such remuneration and allowances, if any, as the Board may determine.
- 13 The accounts of the Board shall be subject to the provisions of Audit of accounts. the Audit Act, 1918.

9 Geo. V. No. 3.

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SCHEDULE.

Regnal Year and Number.	Title of Act.
21 Geo. V. No. 30	The Meat Industry Encouragement Act, 1924 The Meat Industry Encouragement Act, 1929 The Meat Industry Encouragement Act, 1930 The Meat Industry Encouragement Act, 1931 The Meat Industry Encouragement Act, 1932