A BILL

for

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANIMAL DISEASES ACT 1978

BE IT ENACTED by the King and Legislative Assembly of Tonga in the legislature of the Kingdom as follows:

1. This Act may be referred to as the Animal Diseases (Amendment) Act 2001.

2. The Animal Diseases Act (Cap.146) is referred to in this Act as the Principal Act.

3. Section 2 of the Principal Act is amended by -

   (i) deleting the comma and the words “Forests and Fisheries” from the definition of “Director” and substituting the words “and Forestry”; and

   (ii) deleting the comma and words “Forests and Fisheries” from the definition of “Minister” and substituting the words “and Forestry”.

4. Section 4(5) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “Minister” and substituting the word “Director”.

5. Section 14 of the Principal Act is amended -

   (i). In subsection (1) by deleting the word “Director” in the third line and substituting the word “Minister”; and

   (ii). In subsection (2) by -

   (a). deleting the words “$2000” and substituting the words “$5000”; and

   (b). deleting the words “3 months” and substituting the words “two years”.

6. Section 16 (4) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “Minister” in the second line and substituting the word “Director”.

7. Section 16 (7) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$1000” and substituting the word “$2000”.

8. Section 18 (5) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$200” and substituting the word “$1000”.

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9. Section 21 (7) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$1000” and substituting the word “$5000”.

10. Section 23 (4) of the Principal Act is amended by

(i). deleting the word “$500” and substituting the word “$2000” and

(ii). deleting the word “$20” and substituting the word “$50”.

11. Section 24 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$100” and substituting the word “$1000”.

12. Section 27 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$100” and substituting the word “$1000”.

13. Section 28 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$200” and substituting the word “$2000”.

14. Section 29(1) of the Principal Act is repealed and substituted by the following-

“(1) The Minister shall appoint from time to time such Inspectors as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.”

15. Section 29 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the comma and the words “Forests and Fisheries” where these occur in the third and fourth lines and substituting the words “and Forestry”.

16. Section 33 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$200” and substituting the word “$1000”.

17. Section 35 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$200” and substituting the word “$1000”.

18. Section 36 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word “$200” and substituting the word “$2000”.

19. The following new section is added to the Principal Act immediately following section 37.

38. The Minister may with the consent of Privy Council establish by Regulations any fees to be charged under this Act.

20. The Brands Act (Cap.148) and the Stallion Act (Cap.149) are repealed.

Passed in the Legislative Assembly this day of 2001.