



Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Amendment Act 1981

No. 150 of 1981

An Act to amend section 50 of the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act 1977*

[Assented to 26 October 1981]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

Short title, &c.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Amendment Act 1981*.

(2) The *Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act 1977*¹ is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Commencement

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Offences

3. Section 50 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (1) and substituting the following sub-sections:

“(1) A licensee who exports meat or live-stock from Australia in contravention of a condition of his licence is guilty of an indictable offence and,

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subject to this section, is punishable on conviction by a fine not exceeding \$100,000 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding 5 years, or both.

“(1A) Notwithstanding that an offence referred to in sub-section (1) is an indictable offence, a court of summary jurisdiction may hear and determine proceedings in respect of such an offence if the court is satisfied that it is proper to do so and the defendant and the prosecutor consent.

“(1B) Where, in accordance with sub-section (1A), a court of summary jurisdiction convicts a person of an offence referred to in sub-section (1), the penalty that the court may impose is a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding 1 year, or both.”

NOTE

1. No. 67, 1977. For previous amendments, see No. 36, 1978; No. 76, 1979; and No. 167, 1980.