

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT
ABATTOIR AND SALE-YARDS
(AMENDMENT) ACT.

Act No. 18, 1931.

George V.
No. 18, 1931. An Act to confer certain additional powers and authorities upon the Newcastle District Abattoir Board; to validate certain actions of the Board; to amend the Newcastle District Abattoir and Sale-yards Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 22nd May, 1931.]

BE it enacted by the King'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 "Newcastle District Abattoir and Sale-yards (Amendment) Act, 1931."
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2. The Newcastle District Abattoir and Sale-yards Amendment of
Act No. 49, 1912.
Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, is amended—

(a) by inserting in section two after the definition Sec. 2.
of "Local newspaper" the following definition:— (Definitions.)

"Meat" means the whole or any part of an cf. Act No.
69, 1915, s. 7.
animal such as is used for human con- Meat.
sumption.

(b) by inserting at the end of section nine the Sec. 9.
following new subsection:—

(4) The board may also, if it thinks fit— Additional
powers and
authorities.

(a) establish, maintain, and conduct works
for canning, preserving, curing, smoking,
chilling, and freezing meat;

(b) purchase cattle and meat;

(c) sell either on its own behalf or on
behalf of any other person cattle and
meat, including bacon, ham, sausages,
saveloys, and other small goods manu-
factured or prepared from a carcase or
any portion thereof.

(c) by inserting in section twelve after the word Sec. 12.
"sale-yards" wherever occurring the words (Acquisition
of land.)
"and for any other of the board's authorised
purposes or objects";

(d) by inserting after subsection four of section Sec. 19.
nineteen the following new subsection:— (Carcasses
brought into
district.)

(4A) No person shall within the district, cf. Act No.
69, 1915,
s. 19.
except with the consent of the board, sell or
attempt to sell or expose for sale or allow or
cause to be sold or exposed for sale for human
consumption any carcase or portion of a car-
case which has been slaughtered within or
brought into the district otherwise than in
accordance with this Act.

Whosoever contravenes any provision of
this subsection shall be liable upon summary
conviction to a penalty not exceeding fifty
pounds.

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of Act No. 49,
1912, ss. 22,
23.

3. (1) The Newcastle District Abattoir and Sale-yards Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, is amended by omitting sections twenty-two and twenty-three and by inserting in lieu thereof the following sections:—

Accounts and
audit.

22. (1) The board shall cause proper books of account to be kept in relation to each department of the board, and shall, as soon as practicable after the thirtieth day of June in each year, prepare and transmit to the Minister for presentation to Parliament balance-sheets and statements of account setting forth a true statement of the financial position and the transactions of the board in its several departments for the preceding financial year, audited by the Auditor-General.

(2) Each such balance-sheet and statement shall include—

- (a) a profit and loss account;
- (b) statement of the assets and liabilities of the board,

and be in a form approved by the Auditor-General.

(3) The Auditor-General shall have, with respect to such accounts, all the powers conferred on him by the Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same.

(4) The Audit Act, 1902, and Acts amending the same, shall apply to the board and its officers in the same manner as it applies to accounting officers of public departments.

(5) Without limiting the generality of the powers conferred by subsection three of this section, the Auditor-General may disallow any expenditure or entry in the books of the board which he considers has been wrongly, irregularly, or dishonestly made.

(6) Any sum so disallowed shall be a surcharge upon and may be recovered or deducted from moneys due to the officers or servants by whom the expenditure was incurred or ordered to be incurred, or by whom the entry was made or ordered to be made,

made, but such officers or servants shall have the same right of appeal against such surcharge as is prescribed under the Audit Act, 1902.

23. The board shall in each year pay into the Treasury such sum as is fixed by the Colonial Treasurer towards the cost of the audit of the accounts of the board by the Auditor-General.

(2) This section shall commence upon a date to be appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

4. The actions of the board in acting as though the law had been in accordance with the amendments in section two of this Act are hereby validated.
