



**ANALYSIS**

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1953, No. 29

AN ACT to amend the Apiaries Act 1927.

[31 October 1953

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Apiaries Amendment Act 1953, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Apiaries Act 1927 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).

2. The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section six, the following section:

“ 6A. (1) While any bees, honey, or appliances are kept on any apiary, the beekeeper shall at all times keep the normal access to the bees, honey, and appliances reasonably clear from obstructions caused by the growth of vegetation which would impede or prevent inspection of the bees, honey, or appliances by an Inspector in the exercise of his powers under this Act. Every beekeeper who fails or neglects to comply with the requirements of this subsection (whether or not notice has been given to him under paragraph (a) of subsection two of this section) commits an offence against this subsection and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty pounds.

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“(2) In any case where any beekeeper fails or neglects to comply with the requirements of subsection one of this section, in addition to or instead of proceedings in respect of the offence against that subsection,—

“(a) Any Inspector may, by notice to the beekeeper, specify the requirements as to which default has been made and require him to comply with them by doing the necessary work specified in the notice within such time as may be specified in the notice:

“(b) If the beekeeper fails or neglects to do the work specified in the notice within the time specified in the notice, any Inspector or other person authorized in writing by an Inspector may enter upon the apiary and carry out all or any of that work:

“(c) Where any such work is carried out by an Inspector or a person authorized in writing by an Inspector as aforesaid because the beekeeper fails or neglects to do the work within such reasonable time as is specified in the notice, the amount of the expense of the work so carried out, so far as that work is reasonably necessary for the purpose of complying with the requirements of subsection one of this section, shall be recoverable with costs from the beekeeper by any Inspector by action in any Court of competent jurisdiction.”

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**3.** (1) The principal Act is hereby amended by inserting, after section ten, the following section:

“10A. No person shall spray or dust with any preparation containing any poisonous substance injurious to bees—

“(a) Any fruit trees during the period within which those trees are in bloom unless almost all the blossoms have fallen from the trees:

“(b) Any strawberry, raspberry, boysenberry, or loganberry plants, or any other cultivated plants of the same species, during the period when those plants are in bloom.”

(2) Section six of the Statutes Amendment Act 1946 is hereby repealed.

Repeal.  
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