# [As Reported from the Committee of the Whole on the Statutes Amendment Bill]

## Hon. Mr Skinner

## NOXIOUS WEEDS AMENDMENT

#### ANALYSIS

Title 1. Short Title  Authority to use willows and poplars for flood protection
Propagation and sale of willows and poplar

### A BILL INTITULED

## An Act to amend the Noxious Weeds Act 1950

BE IT ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as 5 follows:

- 1. Short Title—This Act may be cited as the Noxious Weeds Amendment Act 1960, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Noxious Weeds Act 1950 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act).
- 2. Authority to use willows and poplars for flood protection—Section 5 of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding to the second proviso to subsection (1) the words "nor shall it apply to crack willow, pussy willow, grey willow, or silver poplar assisting soil conservation, or preventing or mitigating soil erosion, or preventing or mitigating damage by floods".

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3. Propagation and sale of willows and poplar—Section 11 of the principal Act is hereby amended by adding the follow-

ing subsections:

"(7) This section shall not apply to crack willow, pussy willow, grey willow, or silver poplar propagated, planted, sown, sold, or offered for sale for the purpose of assisting soil conservation, or of preventing or mitigating soil erosion,

or of preventing or mitigating damage by floods.

"(8) In any proceedings against a vendor of any plant mentioned in subsection (6) or subsection (7) of this section, 10 proof that at the time of sale he believed on reasonable grounds that the purchaser intended to use the plant for a purpose that would exclude the application of this section shall be sufficient proof that this section did not apply to the sale, unless it is shown that the vendor did not so believe 15 or did not have reasonable grounds for so believing."