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**No. 13 of 1948.**

An Act to authorize the holding of a ballot of wheat-growers on the proposals of the Commonwealth Government for the stabilization of the price of wheat.

*[Assented to 9th September, 1948.]*

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof as follows :

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Wheat Stabilization Scheme Ballot Act, 1948".

Provisions as to ballot.

2. (1) The Minister of Agriculture shall cause a ballot of wheatgrowers to be held at which the following question shall be submitted :—

Are you in favour of the proposals of the Commonwealth Government for the stabilization of the price of wheat ?

(2) The Returning Officer for the State shall conduct the ballot under this Act as soon after the passing of this Act as is practicable.

(3) Every person—

(a) who, under the National Security (Wheat Industry Stabilization) Regulations of the Commonwealth, held a wheatgrower's licence for the season 1947-1948 or holds a wheatgrower's licence current at the time of the preparation of the list mentioned in subsection (4) of this section ; and

(b) whose name appears on the list prepared under that subsection,  
shall be entitled to one vote.

(4) The Minister of Agriculture shall prepare and supply to the Returning Officer for the State a list containing the names of all persons holding wheatgrower's licences as mentioned in subsection (3) of this section.

(5) The ballot shall be conducted by postal voting.

(6) The ballot paper shall be in the form set out in the schedule to this Act.

(7) The Minister shall send to each wheatgrower with the ballot paper a short summary of the proposals of the Commonwealth Government for stabilizing the price of wheat.

(8) A wheatgrower shall indicate his vote in the following manner :—

(a) if he approves of the proposals of the Commonwealth Government for the stabilization of the price of wheat—by placing the number 1 in the square opposite the word "Yes" and the number 2 in the square opposite the word "No".

(b) if he does not approve of the said proposals—by placing the number 1 in the square opposite the word "No" and the number 2 in the square opposite the word "Yes":

Provided that a ballot paper shall not be informal by reason only of the fact that the voter has indicated his vote by placing in one square the number 1 or a cross, and by leaving the other square blank; and if he so votes by a cross, that cross shall be deemed equivalent to the figure 1.

(9) Subject to this Act the ballot shall be conducted in such manner as the Returning Officer for the State deems proper.

(10) The Returning Officer for the State shall certify the result of the ballot and his certificate shall be published in the *Gazette*.

3. The money required to meet the expenses of holding a ballot under this Act shall be paid out of the General Revenue of the State and the necessary amount of that Revenue is hereby appropriated for the purpose.

Financial provision.

In the name and on behalf of His Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

C. W. M. NORRIE, Governor.

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THE SCHEDULE.

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BALLOT PAPER.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

*Wheat Stabilization Scheme Ballot Act, 1948.*

Question—Are you in favour of the proposals of the Commonwealth Government for the stabilization of the price of wheat ?

YES

NO

The voter should indicate his vote as follows :—

If he is in favour of the proposals mentioned above, he should place the number 1 in the square opposite the word " Yes " and the number 2 in the square opposite the word " No ".

If he is not in favour of the proposals mentioned above, he should place the number 1 in the square opposite the word " No " and the number 2 in the square opposite the word " Yes ".