

# Agriculture Act 1967

## **1967 CHAPTER 22**

### PART VI

#### SUPPLEMENTAL AND GENERAL

#### 71 Offences by bodies corporate.

Where a body corporate is guilty of an offence under this Act, and that offence is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of, or to be attributable to any neglect on the part of, any director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of the body corporate, or any person who was purporting to act in any such capacity, he, as well as the body corporate, shall be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

In this section " director ", in relation to a body corporate established by or under any enactment for the purpose of carrying on under national ownership any industry or part of an industry or undertaking, being a body corporate whose affairs are managed by its members, means a member of that body corporate.

#### 72 Application to Northern Ireland.

- (1) Parts I to V of this Act, so far as not expressly extended to Northern Ireland by any provision contained in this Act or by any Order in Council under the next following subsection, shall not extend to Northern Ireland; but nothing in this Act shall restrict the powers of the Parliament of Northern Ireland to make laws with respect to any matter with respect to which that Parliament has power to make laws, and any laws made by that Parliament with respect to any such matters shall have effect notwithstanding anything in any scheme or order under this Act and applicable to Northern Ireland.
- (2) Her Majesty may, by Order in Council made under this subsection in pursuance of resolutions passed by the two Houses of the Parliament of Northern Ireland, direct that the provisions of Part III of this Act other than sections 41 to 44 shall extend to Northern Ireland; and any such Order in Council may be varied or revoked by

a subsequent Order in Council made under this subsection in pursuance of such resolutions as aforesaid.

- (3) While any provisions of Part III of this Act extend to Northern Ireland by virtue of an Order in Council under subsection (2) above those provisions, and any other provision of this Act so far as it relates to those provisions, shall have effect subject to such exceptions, adaptations and modifications as may be specified in the Order.
- (4) In the application of any provision of this Act to Northern Ireland any reference to an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom shall be construed as a reference to that Act as it applies to Northern Ireland.
- (5) Any reference to an enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland or to an enactment which that Parliament has power to amend shall be construed as including a reference to that enactment as amended by any Act of that Parliament, whether passed before or after this Act and to any Act of that Parliament passed after this Act and re-enacting that enactment whether with or without modifications.
- (6) In any provision of this Act under which a grant or subsidy under this Act may be reduced or withheld where some other relevant grant or subsidy is payable out of money provided by Parliament, references to any such other grant or subsidy shall include references to one payable out of money provided by the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- (7) An Order in Council under this section may contain such transitional and other consequential provisions as appear to Her Majesty to be expedient.

#### 73 Disqualification for House of Commons etc.

In Part II of Schedule 1 to the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957 (bodies of which all members are disqualified under that Act), there shall at the appropriate points in alphabetical order be inserted the following entries:—

- "The Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation"
- "The Meat and Livestock Commission"
- "A Rural Development Board";

and in the Part substituted for the said Part II by section 10 of and Schedule 3 to that Act in its application to the Senate and House of Commons of Northern Ireland there shall at the appropriate point in alphabetical order be inserted the following entries:—

- "The Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation".
- "A Rural Development Board in Northern Ireland".

#### 74 Expenses and receipts of Ministers.

- (1) Any expenses incurred by any Minister under this Act shall be defrayed out of money provided by Parliament.
- (2) Any sums received or recovered by any Minister in pursuance of this Act or any order made thereunder shall, except as otherwise expressly provided, be paid into the Exchequer.

#### 75 Short title, interpretation, repeals and commencement.

(1) This Act may be cited as the Agriculture Act 1967.

(2) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires.—

" the appropriate Minister " means, in relation to England and Wales or Northern Ireland, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and, in relation to Scotland, the Secretary of State ;

" agriculture ", " agricultural land ", " agricultural unit " and cognate expressions and references to farming shall be construed except in relation to Scotland in accordance with section 109 of the Agriculture Act 1947, and in relation to Scotland, in accordance with section 86 of the Agriculture (Scotland) Act 1948 ;

" assignment ", in relation to Scotland, means assignation ;

" heritable security " has the same meaning as in the Conveyancing (Scotland) Act 1924 except that it includes a security constituted by ex facie absolute disposition or assignation, and " heritable creditor " shall be construed accordingly;

" land " includes any estate or interest in land;

" local authority " means, in England and Wales, the council of a county, of a borough, including a county borough and a London borough, the Common Council of the City of London and an urban or rural district council, and, in Scotland, a county council, joint county council of a combined county, town council or district council;

" pension ", in relation to any person, means a pension of any kind whatsoever, whether contributory or not, payable to or in respect of him, and includes a gratuity so payable on his retirement or death, and a return of contributions to a pension fund, with or without interest thereon or any other addition thereto.

- (3) In this Act references to England and Wales shall be construed as if Wales included Monmouthshire.
- (4) References in this Act to the duration of a scheme are references to the period within which applications for approval of proposals qualifying for grant under the scheme must be made, or, in the case of a scheme under section 12 of this Act, applications for subsidy payments must be made; and the provisions of this Act limiting the duration of a scheme shall not prevent a scheme providing different periods for different purposes.
- (5) Any reference in this Act to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended or extended by any other enactment, including this Act, and in this Act " enactment " includes an enactment of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.
- (6) Any power of giving directions conferred by this Act shall include a power, subject to the like conditions, to vary or revoke a direction so given.
- (7) The Acts mentioned in Schedule 7 to this Act shall be repealed to the extent specified in the third column of that Schedule, but subject to the provisions at the end of that Schedule.
- (8) This Act shall come into force on such date as the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State acting jointly may by order contained in a statutory instrument appoint, and orders under this subsection may appoint different dates for different provisions and different purposes.