



Animal Health Act 1981

1981 CHAPTER 22

PART VI

SUPPLEMENTAL

Interpretation, functions, and orders etc.

88 Meaning of " disease "

- (1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, "disease" means cattle plague, pleuro-pneumonia, foot-and-mouth disease, sheep-pox, sheep scab, or swine fever, subject to subsection (2) below.
- (2) The Ministers may by order for all or any of the purposes of this Act extend the definition of " disease " in subsection (1) above so that it shall for those or any of those purposes comprise any other disease of animals.
- (3) In this Act, in so far as it applies to poultry, and unless the context otherwise requires, " disease ", means—
 - (a) fowl pest in any of its forms, including Newcastle disease and fowl plague ;
and
 - (b) fowl cholera, infectious bronchitis, infectious laryngotracheitis, pullorum disease, fowl typhoid, fowl pox and fowl paralysis,subject to subsection (4) below.
- (4) The Ministers may by order for all or any of the purposes of this Act—
 - (a) extend the definition of " disease" in subsection (3) above so that it shall for those or any of those purposes comprise any other disease of birds; or
 - (b) restrict that definition so that it shall for those or any of those purposes exclude any of the diseases mentioned in paragraph (b) of subsection (3).