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No. , 1915.

A BILL

To amend the Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Act, 1912; and for other purposes.

BE it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Preliminary.

1. This Act may be cited as the "Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests (Amending) Act, 1915." Short title.

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Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests.

2. Section sixty-seven of the Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Act, 1912, is amended as follows:— Amendment of s. 67.

The definitions of "Fruit pest" and "Minister" are repealed and the following definitions are substituted therefor:—

"Fruit pest" means the codlin moth (*Carpocapsa pomonella*), any species of fruit-fly (*Trypetidæ* or *Lonchæidæ*), San José scale (*Aspidiotus perniciosus*), Irish blight (*Phytophthora infestans*), and any other parasite belonging either to the animal kingdom or to the vegetable kingdom which the Governor may declare by proclamation in the Gazette to be a fruit pest, and includes any such fruit pest in whatever stage of existence it may be.

"Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture.

3. Section seventy-one of the Vine and Vegetation Diseases and Fruit Pests Act, 1912, is amended by inserting after the words "New South Wales" where they occur in that section the words "or imported, introduced, or brought into any portion of New South Wales from any other portion thereof." Amendment of s. 71.

4. Section seventy-seven of the same Act is amended as follows:— Amendment of s. 77.

(1) In subsection one—

(a) by omitting the words "any land or building" and substituting therefor the words "any land, building, vessel, ship, or place"; and

(b) by inserting after the words "likely to" the words "harbour or."

(2) In subsection two—

(a) by inserting the words "or thing" after the word "package" wherever it occurs in the said subsection;

(b) by inserting after the words "likely to" the words "harbour or";

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- (c) by omitting the words "any land or building" and substituting therefor the words "any land, building, vessel, ship, or place";
- (d) by omitting the words "or building" and substituting therefor the words "building, vessel, ship, or place"; and
- (e) by adding the following paragraph:—

"The Minister may authorise an inspector or other officer of the Department of Agriculture to sign and serve such notice upon the owner or occupier of such land, building, vessel, ship, or place."

- (3) In subsection four by omitting the words "or building" and substituting therefor the words "building, vessel, ship, or place."

5. Section seventy-eight of the same Act is amended— Amendment of s. 78.

- (a) by inserting after the words "likely to" the words "harbour or"; and
- (b) by inserting after the word "he" the words "or any person authorised in that behalf by him."

Registration of nurseries.

6. The following section is inserted immediately New section. before section seventy-nine of the same Act:—

78A. Every owner or occupier of a nursery shall Registration of nurseries. cause such nursery to be registered.

Registration shall be effected in the manner, at the places and times, and subject to the payment of fees prescribed by regulations to be made by the Governor.

Supplemental.

7. Subsection one of section eighty of the same Act Amendment of s. 80. is amended by inserting after the word "Minister" the words "or to the person authorised by him to sign and serve such notice or to make such order."

8. Section eighty-two of the same Act is amended Amendment of s. 82. by adding at the end of the section the words "and for preventing any fruit pest attacking or being harboured on

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on or in any plant or package, and for prescribing the method of registering nurseries and fixing the fees to be paid therefor."

9. Section eighty-five of the same Act is amended by ^{Amendment} omitting "to treat or destroy any fruit pest, plant, or ^{of s. 85.} package" and inserting the words "under section seventy-seven."
