Bill No. 108 of 1949.

A BILL TO AMEND THE AGRICULTURAL PESTS ACT.

NOTE.

This Bill amends The Agricultural Pests Act, being chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942.

Section 13 is deleted and replaced by a new section which provides that insecticides as well as poisoned bait may be obtained by any person applying for the same. It also provides that application may be made at local municipal or improvement district offices as well as at bait mixing stations.

Section 15 is amended to refer to insecticides as well as other ingredients necessary for the preparation of poisoned bait, spray or dust.

Section 16 is amended to provide that where insecticides are supplied to municipal or improvement districts they may be supplied at a price to be fixed by the Minister and to provide that where such insecticides are supplied to farmers at less than the actual cost, the difference in cost and selling price will be divided equally between the Government and the municipal or improvement district. The object of the amendment to section 16 is to ensure that farmers who prefer insecticides to poisoned bait receive the same actual reduction in price as that received by farmers who use poisoned bait. This is necessary because insecticides are so much more expensive.

The Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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(This note does not form any part of the Bill but is offered in explanation of its provisions.)

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No. 108 of 1949.

An Act to amend The Agricultural Pests Act.

(Assented to

, 1949.)

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

- **1.** The Agricultural Pests Act, being chapter 76 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1942, is hereby amended as to section 13 by striking out the same and by substituting the following:
- "13.—(1) Any person may obtain poisoned bait or other insecticides for the purpose of destroying grasshoppers upon his land by applying for the same at,—
 - "(a) a bait mixing station, if any, in the improvement district or municipality; or
 - "(b) the office, if any, of the municipal or improvement district in which the applicant's land is situated.
- "(2) The person applying must pay on account of the cost of the bait or insecticide, upon receipt of the same, such sum, if any, as may be fixed from time to time by the Minister as the amount payable therefor.".
 - 2. The said Act is further amended as to section 15,—
 - (a) by inserting immediately before the words "poison and other ingredients" where they occur in subsection (1) the word "insecticide,";
 - (b) by striking out the words "poisoned bait" where they occur in subsection (1) and by substituting the words "bait, spray or dust".
 - 3. The said Act is further amended as to section 16,—
 - (a) by inserting immediately after the words "Where the ingredients" where they occur in subsection (1), the words "necessary for the preparation of bait";
 - (b) by adding immediately after subsection (2) the following new subsections:
 - "(3) Where insecticides are supplied to a municipality or improvement district, the Government shall charge the municipal or improvement district an amount equal to the total cost to the Government of the insecticide, or such price as may be established from time to time by the Minister.

- "(4) Where the Government supplies a municipal district or improvement district with such insecticide for resale to farmers at a price less than the actual cost to the government of the insecticide, the municipal district or improvement district shall share equally with the Government the difference between the actual cost of such insecticide and the sale price to the farmer.".
- 4. This Act shall come into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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