BRANDS ACT AMENDMENT BILL 1976

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# **Second reading**

Received from the Legislative Council and read a first time.

The Hon. J. D. CORCORAN (Minister of Works): I move:

*That this Bill be now read a second time.*

I seek leave to have the second reading explanation inserted in *Hansard* without my reading it.

Leave granted.

Explanation of Bill

This short Bill makes several machinery amendments to the Brands Act, 1933-1969, the principal Act. Clauses 1 and 2 are formal. Clause 3 amends section 4 of the principal Act by inserting a definition of “the department”, and making certain other consequential amendments. Clause 4 repeals sections 17 and 18 of the principal Act and inserts in their place a new section 17, the effect of which is to allow free use of brands consisting of a numeral or any brand on the near or off ribs of cattle.

Clause 5 amends section 53 of the principal Act, and recognises the fact that *The Stock and Station Journal* is no longer published. Clause 6 amends section 54 of the principal Act by removing a reference to a register that is no longer required to be kept. Clause 7 re-enacts section 62 of the principal Act in much the same form as it previously existed, with the exception that special provision is now made for branding cattle vaccinated against brucellosis. Clause 8 is formal and self-explanatory. Clause 9 is consequential on the amendments made by clause 4, as are the amendments made by clauses 10 and 11.

Mr. EVANS secured the adjournment of the debate.