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An Act to amend the *Chicken Meat Industry Committee Act* 1976 for particular purposes

| | The P | Parliament of Queensland enacts— | 1 |
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| Clause | 1 | Short title | 2 |
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| | | This Act may be cited as the Chicken Meat Industry Committee Amendment Act 2014. | 3 |
| Clause | 2 | Act amended | 5 |
| | | This Act amends the Chicken Meat Industry Committee Act 1976. | 6 7 |
| Clause | 3 | Amendment of s 2 (Definitions) | 8 |
| | | Section 2— | 9 |
| | | insert— | 10 |
| | | approval notice, for part 5, see section 31(2)(a). | 11 |
| | | assets, for part 5, see section 27. | 12 |
| | | authorised person, for part 5, see section 27. | 13 |
| | | committee notice, for part 5, see section 30(1). | 14 |
| | | eligible entity, for part 5, see section 29. | 15 |
| | | liabilities, for part 5, see section 27. | 16 |
| | | notice, for part 5, see section 27. | 17 |
| | | <i>pre-amended Act</i> means this Act as in force immediately before the commencement. | 18 19 |
| | | proposed transfer day , for part 5, see section 28(2)(a). | 20 21 |
| | | proposed transferee , for part 5, see section 28(2)(b). | 22 23 |
| | | transfer day means the day the Minister declares as the transfer day by gazette notice under section 31(2)(b) or 32(2)(c). | 24 25 26 |

| | | transferee, for part 5, see section 27. | 1 |
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| Clause | 4 | Replacement of pt 3, hdg (Agreements and dispute resolution) | 2 3 |
| | | Part 3, heading— | 4 |
| | | omit, insert— | 5 |
| | | Part 3 Agreements | 6 |
| Clause | 5 | Omission of pt 3, div 1, hdg (Agreements) | 7 |
| | | Part 3, division 1, heading— | 8 |
| | | omit. | 9 |
| Clause | 6 | Omission of pt 3, div 2 (Dispute resolution) | 10 |
| | | Part 3, division 2— | 11 |
| | | omit. | 12 |
| Clause | 7 | Omission of pt 3A (Registration of agreements and annual fees) | 13 14 |
| | | Part 3A— | 15 |
| | | omit. | 16 |
| Clause | 8 | Insertion of new pts 5–7 | 17 |
| | | After section 26— | 18 |
| | | insert— | 19 |

| Par | t 5 | Abolition of the committee | 1 2 |
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| Divi | sion 1 | Preliminary | 3 |
| | Definitions to this part— | for pt 5 | 4 5 |
| | • | <i>notice</i> see section 31(2)(a). | 6 |
| | assets, o | f the committee, means all assets of the ee immediately before the transfer day. | 7 8 |
| | transfere | ed person, for a proposed transferee or e, means its secretary or another al with the written authority of its board ors. | 9 10 11 12 |
| | committe | ee notice see section 30(1). | 13 |
| | eligible e | entity see section 29. | 14 |
| | | s, of the committee, means all liabilities immittee immediately before the transfer | 15 16 17 |
| | <i>notice</i> m | eans written notice. | 18 |
| | proposed | d transfer day see section 28(2)(a). | 19 |
| | proposed | d transferee see section 28(2)(b). | 20 |
| | as the tra | ee means the entity the Minister declares ansferee by gazette notice under section or 32(2)(c). | 21 22 23 |
| Divi | sion 2 | Decisions about transfer and abolition | 24 25 |
| | | s decision about proposed transfer | 26 |

| | (a) transfer its assets and liabilities to an eligible entity; and | 1 2 |
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| | (b) abolish itself. | 3 |
| (2) | For subsection (1)(a), the committee must decide the following— | 4 5 |
| | (a) the day on which it proposes to transfer its assets and liabilities (the <i>proposed transfer day</i>); | 6 7 8 |
| | (b) the eligible entity to which it proposes to transfer its assets and liabilities (the <i>proposed transferee</i>). | 9 10 11 |
| 29 Eliç | gible entity | 12 |
| (1) | An entity is an <i>eligible entity</i> only if— | 13 |
| | (a) the entity is any of the following— | 14 |
| | (i) an incorporated association; | 15 |
| | (ii) a public company, other than a public company that has a share capital; | 16 17 |
| | (iii) a non-trading cooperative; and | 18 |
| | (b) the entity is not an industrial association; and | 19 20 |
| | (c) the entity has, by notice to the committee signed by an authorised person for the entity, agreed to the transfer; and | 21 22 23 |
| | (d) the entity's constitution or rules are consistent with the entity promoting the interests of the chicken meat industry in Queensland. | 24 25 26 27 |
| (2) | In this section— | 28 |
| | incorporated association see the Associations Incorporation Act 1981, schedule. | 29 30 |
| | industrial association see the Industrial Relations Act 1999, section 102. | 31 32 |

| | | non-trading cooperative see the Cooperatives Act 1997, section 15. | 1 2 |
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| | | <i>public company</i> see the Corporations Act, section 9. | 3 4 |
| 30 | | ice of committee's decision about posed transfer | 5 6 |
| | (1) | The committee must give the Minister notice (the <i>committee notice</i>) of its decision under section 28. | 7 8 9 |
| | (2) | The committee notice must state the following— | 10 |
| | | (a) the date the decision was made; | 11 |
| | | (b) the proposed transfer day; | 12 |
| | | (c) the proposed transferee's name; | 13 |
| | | (d) that the committee is satisfied the proposed transferee is an eligible entity. | 14 15 |
| | (3) | The committee notice must be accompanied by a copy of the notice mentioned in section 29(1)(c). | 16 17 |
| 31 | Min | ister's decision about committee notice | 18 |
| | (1) | The Minister must consider the committee notice and approve or refuse to approve the proposed transfer. | 19 20 21 |
| 1 | (2) | If the Minister considers that all requirements for this division have been complied with for the proposed transfer, the Minister must— | 22 23 24 |
| | | (a) give the committee a notice (an <i>approval notice</i>) approving the proposed transfer; and | 25 26 |
| | | (b) declare the transfer day and transferee by gazette notice. | 27 28 |
| | (3) | If the Minister does not consider that all requirements for this division have been | 29 30 |

| | | plied with for the proposed transfer, the ister must— | 1 2 |
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| | (a) | give the committee a written direction about compliance with the requirements, including, for example, a direction to give the Minister stated information; or | 3 4 5 6 |
| | (b) | give the committee a notice— | 7 |
| | | (i) refusing the proposed transfer; and | 8 |
| | | (ii) giving the reasons for the refusal. | 9 |
| (4) | give | committee must comply with a direction n under subsection (3)(a) within the onable time stated in the direction. | 10 11 12 |
| 32 Mir | nister | 's decision if no approval notice given | 13 |
| (1) | | s section applies from the day that is 6 months the commencement if the Minister— | 14 15 |
| | (a) | has not given the committee an approval notice; and | 16 17 |
| | (b) | is not considering a committee notice; and | 18 |
| | (c) | has not, under section 31(3)(a), given the committee a written direction for which the time for compliance has not expired. | 19 20 21 |
| (2) | The | Minister must— | 22 |
| | (a) | decide the day on which the committee's assets and liabilities will be transferred; and | 23 24 |
| | (b) | decide the eligible entity to which the assets and liabilities will be transferred; and | 25 26 |
| | (c) | declare the transfer day and the transferee by gazette notice. | 27 28 |

| Divisi | on 3 Transfer | 1 |
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| 33 Tra | ansfer of assets and liabilities | 2 |
| (1) | On the transfer day, the committee's assets and liabilities are transferred to, and become the assets and liabilities of, the transferee. | 3 4 5 |
| (2) | However, an annual fee that is unpaid on the transfer day— | 6 7 |
| | (a) is taken not to be an asset of the committee; and | 8 9 |
| | (b) must be written off by the chairperson. | 10 |
| (3) | In this section— | 11 |
| | <i>annual fee</i> means an annual fee prescribed under section 24D(2)(b) of the pre-amended Act. | 12 13 |
| 34 Tra | ansferee does not represent the State | 14 |
| Th | e transferee— | 15 |
| | (a) does not represent the State; and | 16 |
| | (b) can not make the State liable for the debts and obligations of the transferee or any other person. | 17 18 19 |
| | idence and registration of transferred sets | 20 21 |
| (1) | A certificate signed by an authorised person for the transferee is evidence that an asset has become an asset of the transferee on the transfer day if the certificate— | 22 23 24 25 |
| | (a) identifies the asset; and | 26 |
| | (b) states the asset was, immediately before the | 27 |

| | (c) states that, under this division, the asset became an asset of the transferee on the transfer day. | 1 2 3 |
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| (2) | If the certificate is given to an entity with registration functions under a law of the State for assets of that kind, the entity must do the following as if the certificate were an appropriate instrument of transfer of the asset— | 4 5 6 7 8 |
| | (a) register the matter in the same way as transactions for assets of that kind; | 9 10 |
| | (b) deal with, and give effect to, the certificate. | 11 |
| | Example of an entity with registration functions— | 12 |
| | the registrar of titles | 13 |
| (3) | A transfer of the asset to the transferee may be registered or given effect under a law of another State or the Commonwealth if— | 14 15 16 |
| | (a) the certificate is given to an entity with registration functions for assets of that kind under the law; and | 17 18 19 |
| | (b) the entity is permitted by law to do so. | 20 |
| Divisio | on 4 Abolition | 21 |
| 36 Ab | olition of committee | 22 |
| (1) | This section takes effect immediately after the committee's assets and liabilities are transferred to the transferee under section 33(1). | 23 24 25 |
| (2) | The committee is abolished and its members go out of office. | 26 27 |
| (3) | No compensation is payable to any person because of subsection (2) | 28 |

| Division | on 5 Miscellaneous | 1 |
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| 37 En | ding of contracts | 2 |
| (1) | This section applies to a contract to which the committee is a party immediately before the transfer day. | 3 4 5 |
| (2) | The contract ends on the transfer day. | 6 |
| (3) | No compensation is payable to any person because of subsection (2). | 7 8 |
| 38 Re | cords | 9 |
| (1) | On the transfer day each record of the committee, other than a public record, is transferred to the department. | 10 11 12 |
| | Note— | 13 |
| | For what happens to the public records of the committee on the transfer day, see the <i>Public Records Act 2002</i> , section 8(3). | 14 15 16 |
| (2) | In this section— | 17 |
| | public record see the <i>Public Records Act 2002</i> , section 6. | 18 19 |
| 39 Sa | ving of operation | 20 |
| | s part is declared to be a law to which the <i>Acts</i> erpretation <i>Act</i> 1954, section 20A applies. | 21 22 |

| Part 6 | Transitional provisions for Chicken Meat Industry Committee Amendment Act 2014 | 1 2 3 4 |
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| 40 Exis | sting agreements | 5 |
| (1) | This section applies to an agreement in force immediately before the repeal, whether or not the agreement was registered under section 24C of the pre-amended Act immediately before that section's repeal. | 6 7 8 9 10 |
| (2) | The agreement remains in force after the repeal until it is terminated or otherwise ends. | 11 12 |
| (3) | In this section— | 13 |
| | <i>repeal</i> means the repeal of this Act. | 14 |
| 41 Reg | istration applications | 15 |
| (1) | This section applies if— | 16 |
| | (a) before the commencement, the processor under an agreement applied, under section 24B of the pre-amended Act, for registration of the agreement; and | 17 18 19 20 |
| | (b) on the commencement, the agreement has not been registered. | 21 22 |
| (2) | The application lapses on the commencement. | 23 |
| (3) | If an application lapses under subsection (2), the committee must— | 24 25 |
| | (a) notify the applicant of the lapsing; and | 26 |
| | (b) refund the fee that accompanied the application. | 27 28 |

| 42 | | esolved disputes must be referred to itrator | 1 2 |
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| | (1) | This section applies to a dispute about an agreement or a proposed agreement if— | 3 |
| | | (a) the dispute arises on or after the commencement; or | 5 6 |
| | | (b) the dispute arose before the commencement and has not, by the commencement— | 7 8 |
| | | (i) been resolved by the parties; or | 9 |
| | | (ii) been resolved by mediation under section 23 of the pre-amended Act; or | 10 11 |
| | | (iii) been referred to arbitration under section 24 of the pre-amended Act. | 12 13 |
| | (2) | Despite any provision in the agreement, the committee must refer the dispute to an arbitrator appointed by the committee. | 14 15 16 |
| | (3) | However, the arbitrator must not be appointed without the agreement of the parties to the dispute. | 17 18 19 |
| | (4) | If the parties have not agreed to the appointment by the transfer day, the dispute is taken to have ended. | 20 21 22 |
| | (5) | If the parties agree to the appointment, the <i>Commercial Arbitration Act 2013</i> applies to the arbitration. | 23 24 25 |
| | (6) | The committee can not be ordered to pay the costs, or part of the costs, of the arbitration. | 26 27 |
| 43 | Арр | olication of pt 6 | 28 |
| | | s part is declared to be a law to which the <i>Acts</i> | 29 |

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| Pa | rt 7 Repeal of Act | 1 |
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| 44 | Repeal This Act is repealed immediately after the transfer day. | 2 3 4 |

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