

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1556, June 16, 1956 ]**

**AN ACT TO REGULATE AND CONTROL THE MANUFACTURE, IMPORTATION, LABELLING, ADVERTISING AND SALE OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY FEEDS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Livestock and Poultry Feeds Act."

SEC. 2. *Enforcing Official.*—This Act shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources thru the Director, Bureau of Animal Industry.

SEC. 3. *Definitions.*—For the purpose of this Act, the following terms shall mean:

- a. "Secretary" means the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources.
- b. "Director" means the Director, Bureau of Animal Industry.
- c. "Livestock" means and includes horses, cattle, carabaos, sheep, goats, swine, rabbits, poultry and such other animals or birds as the Secretary may, from time to time by regulation, prescribe.
- d. "Feeds" or "Feeding Stuff" shall include all such articles used for the purpose of feeding purporting to supply proteins, carbohydrates, fats, minerals, vitamins, antibiotics and/or correcting nutritional disorders. Such articles may be locally produced or imported, mixed or in the form of simple ingredients.
- e. "Owner" is the person, firm, partnership, association or corporation applying for the accord registration under this Act.
- f. "Brand" means any distinctive mark or name applied to a feed or feeding stuff.
- g. "Inspector" is any person authorized to enforce the provisions of this Act.
- h. "Package" means sack, bag, barrel, bin or any other container for feeds.
- i. "Label" means and includes any written, printed or graphic matter attached or affixed to any package, bale or bundle of feeds.
- j. "Regulation" means rules prescribed under the authority of this Act.
- k. "Analyst" means any official analyst appointed under this Act.
- l. "Ingredients" means any single article of feed or feeding stuff which enters into the composition of a ration, concentrate, or supplement.
- m. "Mixture" means any combination of two or more food ingredients used in the manufacture of feeding stuff.
- n. "Concentrates" shall apply to no materials other than those known as concentrates, and shall include linseed meals, cotton-seed meals, pea meals, bean meals, peanut meals, coconut meals, gluten meals, velvet bean meals, soya bean meals, dried yeast grains, dried, vinegar grains, corn germ meal, feeding molasses, gluten feeds, cotton seed feeds, maize feeds, velvet bean feeds, peanut feeds, dried distillers' grains, dried brewers' grains, malt sprout, hominy feeds, rice meals, corn and oat chops, corn feed meal, corn bran, corn and cob meals, wheat bran, wheat middlings, wheat feed, rye feed, rye

middlings, buckwheat middlings and buckwheat feed, ground beef or fish scraps, meat meals, meat and bone meals mixed, dried blood, milk by-products, mixed feeds, compounded feeds, condimental stock and poultry feeds, proprietary or trade-marked stock and poultry feeds, and all other materials of a similar nature; but shall not include the materials denominated in this article as roughages, the whole seed nor pure whole seed nor pure whole grains ground together nor the unmixed meals, made directly from the entire grains of wheat, rye, barley, oat, corn, buckwheat and boom corn, nor malt sprouts, when sold as such by the maltster at retail, nor ground or cracked bone not mixed with any other substance nor shall it include poultry feeds consisting of whole or whole and cracked grains mixed together, with or without grit, oyster shells or charcoal, when all the ingredients may be identified by the naked eye.

- o. "Roughages" shall include dried and ground hays and straws, dried and ground corn stalks or other parts of the corn plant not included in the grain, dried beet pulp, oat hulls, barley hulls, clipped oat by-product, sorghum plant by-products and flax plant by-products, cotton seed hulls, buckwheat hulls, cocoa shells, grain screenings or other materials of a similar character. This shall not include whole ground grains not mixed with any other substances.

#### SEC. 4. *Registration.*—

- a. Any person, partnership, firm, corporation or association desiring to engage in the manufacture, importation, sale or distribution of feeds or feeding stuffs shall first be registered in the Office of the Director.
- b. Applications for registration or annual renewal thereof, shall be made by the person, partnership, firm corporation or association marketing, manufacturing, or importing such feeds or feeding stuffs, or by his accredited agent in such form and manner as may be prescribed from time to time by regulation.
- c. An application for registration shall be accompanied by a registration fee of five pesos for a person, firm, partnership, corporation or association engaged in the retailing or distribution of commercial feeds or feeding stuffs, and one hundred pesos for manufacturers and/or importers of commercial feeds or feeding stuffs.
- d. No feeds or feeding stuffs in the form of complete mixture, concentrate, supplement, or ingredient which have not been registered with the Director, shall be manufactured, imported, advertised, sold or offered for sale or held in possession for sale in the Philippines.
- e. No commercial feeds or feeding stuffs shall be registered:
  - 1. If the brand thereof is identical, or will likely be confused, with another brand already applied to a registered feeding stuff;
  - 2. If the specific name of each and every ingredient of mixtures, base or concentrates, and supplement is not clearly stated; or
  - 3. If the feeds or feeding stuffs do not conform to the provisions of this Act.
- f. No change in the brand of a registered feed or feeding stuff shall be made without a written notification to the Director.
- g. The Director is empowered to recommend to the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources the cancellation of the registration of any feed or feeding stuff which is found after proper investigation to be not in conformity with the