The provisions of sub-section (3) of Section 17 of the Act shall come into operation on the first day of January, nineteen hundred and forty.

Dated this 23rd day of August, nineteen hundred and thirty-nine.

(Signed) *B. S. Brooke*,
Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

Curers' Levy.

REGULATIONS, DATED 22ND AUGUST, 1939, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 19, 23 AND 25 OF THE BACON INDUSTRY ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1939.

1939. No. 114.

Whereas by sub-section (1) of Section 25 of the Bacon Industry Act (Northern Ireland), 1939 (hereinafter referred to as " the Act "), it is provided that in the Act the expression " curer " means a person who holds a licence under Section 4 of the Agricultural Produce (Meat Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1930, but does not include a person who does not purchase for curing more than sixty pigs in any four consecutive weeks :

And whereas by sub-section (1) of Section 19 of the Act it is provided that there shall be imposed upon and payable by every curer a levy in respect of pigs delivered to and accepted by him for the purpose of curing and that no additional sum shall be charged to a curer for the granting or renewal of a licence under paragraph (*b*) of sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Agricultural Marketing (Pig Industry) Act (Northern Ireland), 1934 :

And whereas by sub-section (2) of the said Section 19 it is provided that the amount of the levy imposed by the said Section 19 shall be fixed by the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as " the Ministry ") and shall be at such rate as may be prescribed, but not being in any case a rate higher than six pence for each pig delivered to and accepted by a curer for the purpose of curing :

And whereas by sub-section (4) of the said Section 19 it is provided that any sum payable by a curer under the said Section 19 shall be paid by him to the Pig Industry Fund and shall be a debt due to the Pig Industry Council from such curer :

And whereas by Section 23 of the Act it is provided *inter alia* that the Ministry may make regulations prescribing anything which is to be prescribed :

Now, therefore, the Ministry, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by the said Sections of the Act and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations, that is to say :—