THE KENYA MEAT COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) ACT 1966

No. 3 of 1967

Date of Assent: 14th January 1967

Date of Commencement: 17th January 1967

An Act of Parliament to amend the Kenya Meat Commission Act

ENACTED by the Parliament of Kenya, as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Kenya Meat Commission Short title. (Amendment) Act 1966.

2. Section 2 of the Kenya Meat Commission Act, hereinafter referred to as the principal Act, is amended—

Amendment of section 2 of Cap. 363.

- (a) by substituting for the definition of "livestock", which appears therein, a new definition as follows—
 - "livestock" includes cattle, sheep, goats, camels, and the young thereof;
- (b) by substituting for the definition of "slaughter stock", which appears therein, a new definition as follows—

"slaughter stock" means all livestock bred, purchased or otherwise acquired with the intention that it shall be slaughtered or fattened for slaughter and livestock shall be deemed to be slaughter stock if it is slaughtered within two months of the purchase or acquisition thereof unless and until the contrary be proved;

(c) by substituting for the definition of "stores", which appears therein, a new definition as follows—

"stores" means livestock which is bred, purchased or otherwise acquired for the purpose of fattening for slaughter.

- 3. Section 7 of the principal Act is amended by adding thereto the following new subsection—
 - (5) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence.

Amendment of section 7 of principal Act.

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Substitution of section 8 (3) of principal Act.

- Section 8 of the principal Act is amended by substituting for subsection (3) thereof a new subsection as follows—
 - (3) The prices to be paid by the Commission for slaughter stock, other than slaughter stock purchased by the Commission on a liveweight basis. shall be such as may from time to time be fixed or agreed under section 8 of the Agriculture Act and the method of disposal of carcass meat on a whole-

Cap. 318. sale basis to butchers shall be either—

- (a) by direct sale at such prices as may from time to time be fixed by the Minister on the advice of the Commission; or
- (b) by auction on such terms and conditions as the Minister may from time to time specify.

Amendment of section 9 of principal Act.

Amendment of

section 10 of

principal Act.

- 5. Section 9 of the principal Act is amended by adding thereto the following new subsection—
 - (6) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offence.

Section 10 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by deleting the words "in the reserved areas", which appear in subsection (2) thereof; and
- (b) by deleting the words "and liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand shillings or to imprisonment not exceeding three months, or to both such fine and imprisonment" which appear in subsection (3) thereof.

Amendment of section 11 (2) of principal Act.

Section 11 (2) of the principal Act is amended by inserting at the end thereof a proviso as follows-

Provided that the Minister for the time being responsible for finance may by writing under his hand direct that any part of the property, assets, revenues and sinking, reserve and stabilization funds of the Commission shall be released from any first charge imposed under this section to such an extent and in such a manner as he deems fit.

Insertion of new sections 24_A and 24B in principal Act.

Cess.

The principal Act is amended by inserting immediately after section 24 thereof two new sections as follows—

> 24A. (1) The Minister may from time to time, on the recommendation of the Commission, by

notice in the Gazette, impose a cess on the sale or slaughter of stock, or on any class or classes of slaughter stock.

- (2) A cess imposed by notice under subsection (1) of this section shall be at such rate, and shall be payable to the Commission by such persons and at such times (being not earlier than one month after publication of the notice) and in such manner as is specified in the notice, and shall be recoverable by the Commission as a civil debt due to it from the person by whom it is payable.
- (3) Moneys received by the Commission derived from any cess imposed under subsection (1) of this section shall be applied by the Commission to such capital purposes in the interests of the livestock industry as may be approved by the Minister.

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- 24B. (1) Any person guilty of an offence under this Act or any regulations made thereunder shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five thousand shillings or to imprisonment not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment, and on a second or subsequent conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand shillings or to imprisonment not exceeding one year or to both such fine and imprisonment.
- (2) The court may in addition to any other penalty imposed under subsection (1) of this section order that any permit or licence in possession of the convicted person relative to any matter in connexion with trade in livestock or meat be cancelled and that such convicted person be debarred from obtaining any further such licence or permit for such period as the court may specify and the court may further order the confiscation of any livestock, meat or vehicle used in the commission of the offence.
- (3) Where any offence under this Act or any regulations made thereunder is committed by a company, firm or other association of individuals, every person who at the time of the offence was a director, manager, secretary or other similar officer of such company, firm or association, or who was at

the time concerned in or purported to act in the management of its affairs, shall be severally liable to prosecution and punishment in like manner as if he had himself committed the offence, unless he proves that the offence was committed without his consent and that he took all reasonable steps to prevent its commission.

(4) All offences under this Act and regulations made thereunder shall be cognizable to the police.