

# **Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Amendment Act 1998**

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**An Act affecting the application of certain Acts to rabbit calicivirus**

**BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:**

### **1 Short Title and commencement**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Amendment Act 1998, and is part of the Biosecurity Act 1993 (“the principal Act”).

- (2) Section 4 comes into force on the date of commencement of Schedule 4 of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996.
- (3) Except as provided in subsection (2), this Act comes into force on the day on which it receives the Royal assent.

**2 Section 21 of Animals Act 1967 not to apply to rabbit calicivirus**

- (1) The organism known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease virus, or rabbit calicivirus, is deemed on and after 24 September 1997 to have been established in New Zealand for the purposes of section 21 of the Animals Act 1967 (as continued in force by Schedule 3 of the principal Act).
- (2) The organism known as rabbit haemorrhagic disease virus, or rabbit calicivirus, is deemed on and after 24 September 1997 to have been an organism established in New Zealand for the purposes of section 169 of the principal Act.

**3 Validation and revocation of Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Regulations 1997**

- (1) The Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Regulations 1997 are deemed, on and after 24 September 1997, to have been valid.
- (2) The Biosecurity (Rabbit Calicivirus) Regulations 1997 (SR 1997/203) are revoked.

**4 Organisms illegally present in New Zealand at commencement of Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996**

This section inserted s 185A(4) of the principal Act.