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An Ordinance to regulate the importation of bees and beekeepers' 38 of 1935. 18 of 1936. stock.

[28TH DECEMBER, 1935.]

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Importation of Bees Short title. Ordinance.

2. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, Interpretathe following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them respectively—

" bee " means the honey producing bee (apis mellifica) and its varieties and any other honey producing bee kept for the extraction of honey;

"beekeepers' stock" includes honey, combs, hives that have been in use and other products of, and articles used in connection with, beekeeping;

"the regulations" means any regulations made under the authority of this Ordinance.

Power to Governor in Council to make regulations for importation of bees.

Penalty for importing bees in contravention of the regulations.

Power to seize and destroy bees imported in contravention of the regulations, and compensation for wrongful destruction of bee stock. 18 of 1936,

3. The Governor in Council may make regulations for the purpose of regulating the importation of bees and beekeepers' stock.

4. Any person who, in contravention of the regulations, imports or aids and abets any person in the importation of any bees or beekeepers' stock shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars.

5. Where any officer of customs, or any police officer not below the rank of assistant superintendent has reasonable grounds for believing that any beekeepers' stock or bees have been imported in contravention of the regulations he may seize the same in which case he shall forthwith notify the Director of Agriculture of the seizure, and if the Director of Agriculture is satisfied that any such stock or bees have been imported in contravention of the regulations he may cause the same to be destroyed:

Provided that in the event of its being subsequently proved that the stock or bees which have been destroyed were no imported in contravention of the regulations the Governor in Council may direct that compensation to the extent of the damage sustained by reason of the destruction be paid to the owner thereof.