

1996
THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Ms Horodny)

Food (Amendment) Bill 1996

**A BILL
FOR
An Act to amend the *Food Act 1992***

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Food (Amendment) Act 1996*.

5 Commencement

2. (1) Sections 1, 2 and 3 commence on the day on which this Act is notified in the *Gazette*.

(2) Section 4 commences on a day fixed by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette*.

10 (3) If section 4 has not commenced before the end of the period of 3 months commencing on the day on which this Act is notified in the *Gazette*, that section, by force of this subsection, commences on the first day after the end of that period

Job No. 1995/173

Principal Act

3. In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Food Act 1996*.¹

Insertion

5 4. After section 24 of the Principal Act the following sections are inserted in Division 2 of Part III.

Illegal sale

"24A. (1) A person shall not sell eggs produced by a hen kept in a manner that constitutes an offence against a law of the Territory or that would constitute such an offence if the hen were so kept in the Territory.

10 Penalty: 50 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months.

"(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to the sale of a product in which eggs, the sale of which would otherwise be an offence under that subsection, are an ingredient.

Sale of eggs

15 "24B. (1) A person shall not expose eggs for sale or sell eggs unless packaged with a conspicuous label that indicates, by means of a prescribed expression, the conditions under which the hens that produced the eggs are kept.

Penalty: 50 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months.

20 "(2) In subsection (1)—

'prescribed expression' means any of the following:

- (a) aviary,
- (b) barn,
- (c) battery cage,
- 25 (d) free-range."

NOTES

Principal Act

1. Reprinted as at 31 January 1996

Penalty units

See section 33AA of the *Interpretation Act 1967*