

2020

## CHAPTER 18

An Act to amend *The Apiaries Act, 2005*

(Assented to July 3, 2020)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

**Short title**

**1** This Act may be cited as *The Apiaries Amendment Act, 2020*.

**SS 2005, c A-22.01 amended**

**2** *The Apiaries Act, 2005* is amended in the manner set forth in this Act.

**Section 2 amended**

**3 Section 2 is amended:**

**(a) in clause (b) by striking out “holds a certificate” and substituting “is registered in accordance with this Act”;**

**(b) by repealing clause (f); and**

**(c) by adding the following clause after clause (n):**

“(o) ‘**veterinarian**’ means a registered member of the Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association who is in good standing and who is licensed to practise veterinary medicine in Saskatchewan”.

**New sections 3 and 4**

**4 Sections 3 and 4 are repealed and the following substituted:**

**“Registration required**

**3** No person shall own or have in the person’s possession or control any bees, honeycomb or brood comb unless that person is registered in the prescribed manner.

**“Suspension or cancellation of registration**

**4** The registration of a beekeeper may be suspended or cancelled in the prescribed circumstances”.

**Section 8 amended**

**5 The following subsection is added after subsection 8(4):**

“(5) Every beekeeper and every veterinarian who identifies the presence of American foulbrood (*Paenibacillus larvae* spp.) shall immediately notify the chief inspector”.

**New section 12**

**6 Section 12 is repealed and the following substituted:**

**“Attracting foraging bees and providing nesting sites for feral bees**

**12(1)** No person shall allow any honey, honeycomb or brood comb to be exposed in a manner that could:

(a) attract foraging bees; or

(b) provide nesting sites to feral honey bees.

(2) No person shall allow any sugar syrups, feeders or any other beekeeping equipment to be exposed in a manner that could attract foraging bees for the period commencing on June 15 and ending on September 7”.

**New section 15**

**7 Section 15 is repealed and the following substituted:**

**“Offence and penalties**

**15(1)** No person shall:

- (a) fail to comply with an order of the minister or the chief inspector made pursuant to this Act; or
- (b) contravene any other provision of this Act or the regulations.

(2) Every person who contravenes any provision of subsection (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction:

- (a) for a first offence, to a fine of not more than \$10,000; and
- (b) in the case of a second or subsequent offence, to a fine of not more than \$25,000.

(3) If a person is convicted of failing to comply with an order made pursuant to this Act, the convicting court may, in addition to any fine imposed, make an order directing that the order be carried out at the expense of the person convicted”.

**Section 20 amended**

**8 Section 20 is amended:**

**(a) in clause (b) by striking out “a certificate” and substituting “registration”;**

**(b) by repealing clause (c); and**

**(c) by adding the following clause before clause (d):**

“(c.1) with respect to registrations:

- (i) prescribing the manner of registration;
- (ii) prescribing the circumstances in which a registration may be suspended or cancelled, including authorizing the minister to prescribe additional circumstances; and
- (iii) prescribing terms and conditions that may be imposed on registrations and authorizing the minister to impose additional terms and conditions”.

**Coming into force**

**9** This Act comes into force by order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council.