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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2- Protection of Forest Trees from Damage

Section 13 – Burning of vegetation

Under this section, a person wishing to burn vegetation within one and a half kilometres of a forest not owned by that person is required to give to the forest owner notice of between 14 days and one calendar month.

An offence is created for failure to comply with this requirement.

Following receipt of the notice, a forest owner may serve a counter notice objecting to the proposed burning as it may cause damage. A person who burns vegetation in contravention of the requirement for notice or after receiving a counter notice is liable for any damage caused to the forest.