



# Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act 1951

1951 CHAPTER 63

*Interpretation, repeals, etc.*

## 35 Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

" authorised officer of a local authority " means an officer authorised by the local authority in writing, either generally or specially, to act in matters of any specified kind or in any specified matter, except that the medical officer of health and sanitary inspector of the local authority shall by virtue of their appointments be deemed to be authorised officers of that local authority for all the purposes of this Act;

" local authority " means, except as respects the administrative county of London, the council of a borough or urban or rural district, and as respects any area in the administrative county of London, the sanitary authority for that area for the purposes of the Public Health (London) Act, 1936;

" prescribed " means prescribed by regulations;

" public analyst " means public analyst for the purposes of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, including a deputy public analyst appointed under subsection (6) of section sixty-six of that Act and acting during any vacancy in the office of public analyst or during the absence or incapacity of the holder of that office ;

" rag flock " means flock which has been produced wholly or partly by tearing up spun or woven or knitted or felted materials, whether old or new, but does not include flock obtained wholly in the processes of the scouring, milling or finishing of newly woven or newly knitted or newly felted fabrics.

## 36 Application to Scotland

- (1) The provisions of this section shall have effect for the purpose of the application of this Act to Scotland.

- (2) The expression "defendant" means accused; references to a summons shall be construed as references to a complaint; and for references to the day on which a summons is served and to the day on which it is returnable there shall be respectively substituted references to the day on which a complaint is served and to the day on which the prosecution thereon proceeds to trial.
- (3) The expression "local authority" means a county or town council; and the expression "public analyst" means public analyst appointed under section fifteen of the Food and Drugs (Adulteration) Act, 1928.

### **37 Repeals**

The Rag Flock Acts, 1911 and 1928, and section one hundred and thirty-six of the Public Health (London) Act, 1936, are hereby repealed.

### **38 Short title, commencement and extent**

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951.
- (2) This Act shall come into operation at the expiration of a period of three months beginning with its passing.
- (3) This Act shall not extend to Northern Ireland.