



Agriculture Act 1947

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PART V

ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL.

Continuation of contributions to cost of drainage, water supply and application of lime.

96 Continuation of grants for drainage of, and supply of water to, agricultural land.

- (1) So much of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act, 1940, as limits the period during which schemes may be approved under section fifteen thereof (under which grants may be made by the Minister towards the cost of approved schemes for field drainage and the improvement of ditches and for the supply of water to agricultural land) shall cease to have effect, but no scheme shall be approved under that section unless application for the approval thereof has been made, in such form and manner as the Minister may with the approval of the Treasury determine, before the expiration of five years from the passing of this Act, or if the Minister by order made with the approval of the Treasury so directs, before the expiration of seven years from the passing of this Act.
- (2) An order made under this section shall be of no effect unless approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

97 Contributions towards cost of liming agricultural land.

- (1) The Ministers referred to in section one of the Agriculture Act, 1937 (which provides for contributions, in accordance with a scheme known as the Land Fertility Scheme, towards the cost incurred by any occupier of agricultural land in acquiring and transporting lime for adding to the land to improve the fertility of the soil) may substitute for the Land Fertility Scheme a scheme, to be known as the Agricultural Lime Scheme, made by the said Ministers with the approval of the Treasury, and may in accordance with that scheme make contributions under the said section one—
 - (a) towards the cost incurred not only by an occupier of land but also by any other person having an interest in the land;

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- (b) not only towards cost incurred in acquiring and transporting lime but also towards any cost incurred or to be incurred in bringing lime from the place to which it is delivered by the supplier of the lime to the land to which it is to be added and in spreading it on that land,

and as from the coming into operation of the Agricultural Lime Scheme, for references in the said Act of 1937 and in any enactment amending that Act to the Land Fertility Scheme there shall be substituted references to the Agricultural Lime Scheme, references in Part I of that Act to the occupier of land shall include references to any such other person as is mentioned in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the reference in subsection (1) of the said section one to cost incurred in acquiring and transporting shall include a reference to any cost incurred as mentioned in paragraph (b) of this subsection, and paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section three of the said Act of 1937 (which empowers a scheme to make provision as to the method of computing cost incurred in transporting lime) shall apply to cost incurred or to be incurred as mentioned in paragraph (b) of this subsection as it applies to cost incurred in transporting.

- (2) The period during which any cost must have been incurred in order that contributions may be payable under the said section one in respect thereof shall be extended until the expiration of five years from the earlier of the following dates, that is to say the date on which the Agricultural Lime Scheme comes into operation and the first day of August, nineteen hundred and forty-seven:

Provided that if the said Ministers by order made by them with the approval of the Treasury so direct, the said period shall be extended until the expiration of seven years from the earlier of the said dates.

An order made under this section shall be of no effect unless approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

- (3) Subject to the proviso to subsection (1) of the said section one (which limits contributions under that section to three-quarters of the cost incurred) the Agricultural Lime Scheme may make provision for contributions at different rates for different classes of cases specified in the scheme.
- (4) This section shall extend to Scotland and to Northern Ireland.