

Second Session Fifth Parliament Republic of Trinidad  
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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 17 of 1997**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Animals (Diseases and  
Importation) Act, Chap. 67:02

*[Assented to 11th August, 1997]*

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment  
follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Animals (Diseases Short title  
and Importation) (Amendment) Act, 1997.

Interpretation  
Chap. 67:02

2. In this Act, "the Act" means the Animals (Diseases and Importation) Act.

Section 2  
amended

3. Section 2 of the Act is amended by inserting in alphabetical sequence the following definitions:

"infestation" means the presence of insects or arachnids particularly ticks which are likely to cause any of the diseases listed in the Schedule;

"infested" means being subject to an infestation;

"infested area" means an area declared as such under section 6;

"infested place" means a place declared as such under section 5;"

Part II—  
Heading  
amended

4. The Act is amended in Part II by deleting the Heading "Control of Diseased or Suspected Animals" and substituting as follows:

"Control of Diseased, Suspected or Infested Animals".

Section 4  
amended

5. Section 4 of the Act is amended by inserting after the word "diseased" wherever it occurs, the words "or infested".

Section 5  
amended

6. Section 5 is amended—

(a) in subsection (1) by inserting after the word "disease" the words "or infestation" and by inserting after the word "infected" the words "or infested";

(b) in subsection (2) by inserting after the word "infected" the words "or infested";

(c) in subsection (4) by inserting after the word "infected" the words "or infested" and by inserting after the word "disease" the words "or infested";

(d) in subsection (5) by inserting after the word “infected” the words “or infested”.

7. Section 6 is amended—

Section 6  
amended

(a) in subsection (1) by inserting after the word—

- (i) “disease” occurring in line two, the words “or infestation”;
- (ii) “disease” occurring in line four, the words “or infested”; and
- (iii) “infected” the words “or infested”;

(b) in subsection (2) by inserting after the word “infected” the words “or infested”.

8. Section 7 is amended by inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs, the words “or infested”.

Section 7  
amended

9. Section 8 is amended in subsection (1) by—

Section 8  
amended

- (a) deleting the words “diseased or suspected” wherever they occur and substituting the words “diseased, suspected or infested”;
- (b) inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs the words “or infested”;
- (c) inserting before the semicolon the words “or infestation”; and
- (d) inserting after the word “slaughtered” the words “or quarantined”.

10. Section 10 is amended by inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs the words “or infested”.

Section 10  
amended

11. (1) Section 13(1) is amended by—

Section 13  
amended

- (a) deleting the words “diseased or suspected” and substituting the words “diseased, suspected or infested”; and

(b) inserting before the full stop the words “or infestation”.

(2) Section 13(2) is amended—

(a) in paragraph (a) by inserting after the word “disease” the words “or infestation”;

(b) in paragraph (b) by—

(i) inserting after the word “diseased” the words “or infested”;  
and

(ii) inserting after the word “disease” the words “or infestation”;

(c) in paragraph (c) by inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs the words “or infested”;

(d) in paragraph (d) by—

(i) inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs the words “or infested”;

(ii) inserting after the word “disease” the words “or infestation”; and

(iii) deleting the words “diseased or suspected” and substituting the words “diseased, suspected or infested”;

(e) in paragraph (e) by inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs, the words “or infested”;

(f) in paragraph (f) by deleting the words “diseased or suspected” and substituting the words “diseased, suspected or infested”.

(3) Section 13(3) is amended by deleting the words “one thousand” and substituting the words “five thousand”.

**12. Section 15 is amended—**Section 15  
amended

- (a) in subsection (1) by inserting after the word “disease” the words “or infestation”; and
- (b) in subsection (3) by deleting the words “one thousand” and substituting the words “five thousand”.

**13. Section 20 is amended—**Section 20  
amended

- (a) in subparagraph (a)(i) by inserting after the word “disease” the words “or infestation”; and
- (b) in subparagraph (a)(ii) by deleting the words “diseased or suspected” and substituting the words “diseased, suspected or infested”.

**14. Section 21 is amended—**Section 21  
amended

- (a) in paragraph (a) by inserting after the word “disease” the words “or infestation”;
- (b) in paragraph (d) by inserting after the word “disease”, the words “or was infested”;
- (c) in paragraph (e) by inserting after the word “diseased” the words “or infested”; and
- (d) in paragraphs (g) and (h) by inserting after the word “infected” wherever it occurs in either paragraph, the words “or infested”.

**15. Section 22 is amended by deleting the words “one thousand dollars and to imprisonment for six months” and substituting the words “five thousand dollars”.**

Section 22  
amended

**16. Section 24 is amended by inserting immediately after the word “infected” wherever it occurs, the words “or infested”.**

Section 24  
amended

Passed in the Senate this 20th day of May, 1997.

N. COX  
*Clerk of the Senate*

Passed in the House of Representatives this 18th day  
of July, 1997.

J. SAMPSON  
*Clerk of the House*