

Mr. ELLIOTT: What is intended by this change?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): When subsection 7 was under discussion a point was raised by the hon. member for Melville (Mr. Motherwell) in connection with the pooling of returns. After consideration it was felt that matters would be clarified by giving the board power for pooling and by substituting this amendment for subsection 7.

Mr. NEILL: The minister has not mentioned pooling at all.

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): It was felt it would clear up matters to have that in an additional subsection. In order to bring the whole thing in conformity, it will be necessary to change number 6.

Mr. NEILL: Will an amendment be introduced later on dealing with pooling?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Yes.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Will the local board have power to disburse funds?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Yes.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Full power?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Yes.

Mr. NEILL: It deals only with incidental charges?

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Am I correct or is the hon. member for Comox-Alberni?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): The disbursements are covered in amendments 5 and 6.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): Do they cover disbursements by the local board for whatever purpose the local board may consider necessary in the development of pooling, let us say?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Yes.

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. DUPRE: I move to add the following as subsection 8 of section 4:

Any charge or toll imposed by the board pursuant to this section shall be a debt due to the board recoverable by legal action and a certificate under the hand of a chief executive officer of the board or of the local board, or board or agency established under the law of any province to regulate the marketing of any natural product as the case may be, acting as agent of the board as herein provided shall be prima facie evidence that the amount stated therein is due.

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): There is no material change in this; it is only to read in conformity with 7.

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. DUPRE: Before we go any further I move to delete present subsection 6 of section 4 and to substitute therefor the following:

Whenever the board or a local board cooperates or acts conjointly with any board or agency established under the law of any province to regulate the marketing of any natural product the board may similarly impose charges or tolls in respect of the marketing of the whole or any part of the product marketed under the direction of such board or agency and may authorize such board or agency to act as the agent of the board in collecting and disbursing such charges or tolls.

Mr. NEILL: The minister has not kept faith. If that is all the amendment, we have not got down to pooling yet.

Mr. GUTHRIE: That is coming.

Mr. NEILL: Is this where pooling is to be found?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): That will be found under subsection 1, clause (c).

Mr. NEILL: Would it not be better to take the subsections in their order instead of going backward?

Mr. DUPRE: These are all tied together.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): The amendment as I heard it read referred to any natural product. Does that mean any natural product within the meaning of the act?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Yes.

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. DUPRE: I move to delete clause (c) in subsection 1 of section 4 as carried and to substitute the following therefor:

to conduct a pool for the equalization of the returns received from the sale of the regulated product; to compensate any person for loss sustained by withholding from the market or forwarding to a specified market any regulated product pursuant to an order of the board; provided that no compensation shall be paid in respect of a regulated product that may be withheld from a particular market because the grade of such product is deemed by the board to be unsuitable for such market, or because of restrictions imposed by the government or other competent authority of any other country upon the importation of any regulated product into that country.

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): The only change is the addition of these words:

to conduct a pool for the equalization of the returns received from the sale of the regulated product.

Mr. NEILL: Perhaps the minister would allow the committee to rise now so that we may study this during recess.

At six o'clock the committee took recess.