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*(Brought in by the Minister for Primary Industries and Water,  
the Honourable Jeremy Page Rockliff)*

**A BILL FOR**

**An Act to amend the *Biological Control Act 1986***

Be it enacted by Her Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Biological Control Amendment Act 2016*.

**2. Commencement**

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

**3. Principal Act**

In this Act, the *Biological Control Act 1986*\* is referred to as the Principal Act.

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\*No. 33 of 1986

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**4. Section 3 amended (Interpretation)**

Section 3(1) of the Principal Act is amended as follows:

- (a) by omitting “organisms,” from the definition of *kind* and substituting “organisms, or viruses or sub-viral agents,”;
- (b) by omitting “paragraph (a);” from paragraph (b) of the definition of *organism* and substituting “paragraph (a); or”;
- (c) by inserting the following paragraph after paragraph (b) in the definition of *organism*:
  - (c) a virus or sub-viral agent;
- (d) by omitting the definition of *prescribed live organisms* and substituting the following definition:

***prescribed organisms*** means  
organisms that are –

- (a) live organisms; or
- (b) viruses or sub-viral agents;

**5. Section 4 amended (Biological control)**

Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live” and substituting “prescribed”.

**6. Section 19 amended (Agent organisms)**

Section 19(1) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

**7. Section 20 amended (Agent application)**

Section 20(1) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

**8. Section 24 amended (Notice of proposed agent organisms)**

Section 24(1) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

**9. Section 28 amended (Emergency declarations)**

Section 28(1)(b) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

**10. Section 29 amended (Declarations of existing released organisms)**

Section 29(1)(a) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

**11. Section 32 amended (Declaration of organisms declared under a relevant law)**

Section 32(2)(a) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

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**12. Section 35 amended (No legal proceedings to be instituted in respect of release of agent organisms under a relevant law)**

Section 35(3) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “live”.

**13. Repeal of Act**

This Act is repealed on the three hundred and sixty fifth day from the day on which it commences.