STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1971 No. 941

AGRICULTURE

HILL LANDS

The Hill Cattle Subsidy (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Payment (Amendment) Order 1971

Made - - -	*4th June* 1971
Laid before Parliament	*11th June* 1971
Coming into Operation	*12th June* 1971

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, in pursuance of sections 14(3) and 17 of the Hill Farming Act 1946(**a**), as amended by section 8 of the Livestock Rearing Act 1951(**b**) and as read with the Transfer of Functions (Wales) Order 1969(**c**), and of all their other enabling powers, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby make the following order :—

Citation and commencement

1. This order, which may be cited as the Hill Cattle Subsidy (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Payment (Amendment) Order 1971, shall come into operation on 12th June 1971.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order, the expression "the principal order" means the Hill Cattle Subsidy (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Payment Order 1970(**d**).

(2) Unless the context otherwise requires, expressions used in this order shall have the same meanings as in the Hill Cattle (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Scheme 1968(**e**), as amended (**f**).

(3) The Interpretation Act 1889(**g**) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of principal order

3. In paragraph (*a*) of Article 3 of the principal order, there shall be substituted for the words "final blood test" the words "final diagnostic test".

(**a**) 1946 c. 73. For change of title of the Minister, see S.I. 1955/554 (1955 I, p. 1200).
(**b**) 1951 c. 18. (**c**) S.I. 1969/388 (1969 I, p. 1070).
(**d**) S.I. 1970/878 (1970 II, p. 2807). (**e**) S.I. 1968/875 (1968 II, p. 2310).
(**f**) S.I. 1969/695, 1970/877, 1971/940 (1969 II, p. 1909; 1970 II, p. 2805); (1971 II, p. 2695).
(**g**) 1889 c. 63.

Increase in subsidy payments

4. Paragraph (*a*) of Article 3 of the principal order (which specifies the amounts of subsidy payment to be made for the years 1970 to 1972 under the Hill Cattle (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Scheme 1968, as amended, in respect of animals comprised in an accredited herd on the qualifying day in each of those years, or in a herd which subsequently becomes an accredited herd as a result of a final diagnostic test for brucellosis commenced on or before that day) shall have effect in relation to the years 1971 and 1972 with the substitution of £28·75 for £25 12s. 6d.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 25th May 1971.

(L.S.) *J. M. L. Prior,*
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under my hand on 27th May 1971.

Peter Thomas,
Secretary of State for Wales.

We approve,
4th June 1971.

Bernard Weatherill,
P. L. Hawkins,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order increases the amount of subsidy payable for the years 1971 and 1972 under the provisions of the Hill Cattle (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Scheme 1968, as amended, from £25·62½ to £28·75 in respect of animals comprised in an accredited herd on the qualifying day in each of those years, or in a herd which subsequently becomes an accredited herd as a result of a final diagnostic test for brucellosis commenced on or before that day. There is no longer a requirement, as in the previous order, that this must be a blood test.

For other animals to which the scheme applies, subsidy will continue to be paid at the rate of £23·75.