

## Australian Biosecurity Act Changes

The new Biosecurity Act will be released on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June 2016 and will replace the current Quarantine Act 1908.

WoolProducers Australia has put in a joint submission with the NFF Biosecurity Taskforce addressing all issues that affect industry within the draft Biosecurity 2015 Regulations, specifically the Biosecurity Import Risk Analyses (BIRA). The NFF Biosecurity Taskforce has been working closely with the Department of Agriculture to ensure Industries needs are met. The new Biosecurity Act will allow government to manage biosecurity risks in a more modern and effective way through a strong, clear and flexible legislative framework.

WoolProducers Australia will continue to work closely with the NFF Biosecurity Taskforce with consultations with the Department of Agriculture over the new Biosecurity Act continuing in 2016.

Information on the new Biosecurity Act 2015 and BIRA can be found at:  
<http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import/industry-advice/ian/15/52-2015>

