

Act No. 55/1947 Coll., on assistance to farmers with implementation of the Agricultural Production Plan

The Constituent National Assembly of the Czechoslovak Republic resolved on this Act:

Part I.

Section 1 (1) In order to secure the nutrition of the nation, all agricultural land shall be cultivated pursuant to the Agricultural Production Plan. For this purpose, all relevant authorities and public administration bodies will strive to provide sufficient amount of labour, to provide sufficient amount of agricultural machinery and other operating equipment, and to organize mutual cooperation of farmers, as well as the help of members of other professions.

[keywords: Agricultural Production Plan, nutrition of nation]

Section 2 If the owner cannot cultivate the agricultural land due to lack of labour or necessary operational equipment (e.g. animate or inanimate assets), so that they must be aware of the fact that such land would remain completely or partially fallow, they are obliged to notify the local national committee in whose district such land lies and request provision of suitable assistance; they are obliged to serve the notification with due advance so that the local national committee can arrange cultivation assistance. The local national committee shall review the notification and, if it finds it justified, it will immediately take necessary measures, primarily according to principles of voluntary neighbourly assistance, or according to the provisions of [Part II](#).

[keywords: lack of labour, cultivation assistance]

Section 3 (1) If the owner intentionally or negligently fails to cultivate the agricultural land in whole or in part, even though they could have cultivated it based on their personal circumstances, the local national committee will *ex officio* arrange for help according to the provisions of Part II, or assigns the uncultivated agricultural land for a period of 3 economic years into compulsory tenure to other agricultural entrepreneurs in the municipality; an agricultural entrepreneur is obliged to accept agricultural land into compulsory tenure. ... While assigning compulsory tenure, care must be taken to ensure that individual agricultural plants are not overloaded with work. If it is not possible to assign uncultivated land into compulsory tenure, the local national committee can take over this land for its own management under conditions stipulated by this Act

[keywords: failure to cultivate the agricultural land, intent, negligence, compulsory tenure]