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An Act to confer upon the Minister responsible for Agriculture a corporate status with the power to hold and dispose of agricultural land.

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1. This Act may be cited as the Ministry of Agriculture (Incorporation) Act, 1993.

Short title.

2. (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Minister responsible for Agriculture shall as regards his functions in relation to that responsibility be a corporation sole with power to acquire, hold, lease and dispose of agricultural land, to enter into contracts and to sue and be sued, and all property vested in him pursuant to this section shall be held by him in trust for Her Majesty in right of Her Government of The Bahamas for the purpose of the aforementioned functions.

Functions and powers of Minister.

(2) The power vested in the Minister under subsection (1) to dispose of agricultural land shall not include the power to sell agricultural land and the power of the Minister to lease agricultural land shall, in respect of a lease for a term exceeding twenty-one years, be exercisable subject to the approval of the Governor-General.

3. Without prejudice to the provisions of section 10 of the Agriculture and Fisheries Act, the Minister shall lay upon the table of each House of Parliament before the end of April or as soon as practicable thereafter in every year a report dealing with any lease granted by the Minister in respect of agricultural land.

Minister's report to be tabled.