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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA THE SENATE

Presented and read a first time

(SENATOR WATSON)

A BILL

FOR

An Act to amend the Sales Tax Assessment Act 1992 to enable certain public interest and charitable bodies to claim a refund of sales tax, and for related purposes

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Sales Tax Assessment (Refunds for Certain Public Interest and Charitable Bodies) Amendment Act 1995.

Commencement

2. This Act commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Principal Act

3. In this Act, "Principal Act" means the Sales Tax Assessment Act 1992.

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General definitions

4. Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition:

"**'exempt body'** means a body to which exemption Item 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146 or 147 applies;".

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Insertion of new section

5. The Principal Act is amended by inserting the following section after section 33:

Exemption for certain public interest and charitable bodies

"33A. A sale is not taxable if the purchaser is an exempt body.".

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Credit claims

- **6.** Section 54 of the Principal Act is amended by:
- (a) omitting "The Commissioner" in subsection (1) and substituting "Subject to subsection (1A), the Commissioner";
- (b) inserting the following subsection after subsection (1):

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"(1A) The Commissioner is not required to consider a claim for a credit from an exempt body if the total amount claimed is less than \$100.".

Schedule 1

7. Table 3 in Schedule 1 to the Principal Act is amended by adding at 25 the end the following credit ground:

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CR23	Tax borne on goods purchased by an exempt body	Claimant has borne tax on goods		time of sale
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Application

8. The amendments made by sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 apply to dealings with goods after the commencement of this Act.