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THE SENATE

ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR INTER-GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
REPEAL BILL 1986

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Minister representing
the Prime Minister)

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OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to repeal the Advisory Council for Inter-government Relations Act 1976, and so abolish the ACIR.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The Commonwealth contributes 45% of ACIR funding. The amount contributed for the financial year ending on 31 August 1986 was approximately \$253,000 of a total of \$556,000.

A further sum of \$253,000 is provided in Appropriation Bill (No. 1) for the year commencing on 1 September 1986. This is to meet winding up costs, but will be reimbursed to the Commonwealth with the sale of the assets of ACIR. Any remaining funds will be returned to the contributing Governments in accordance with ACIR's funding formula.

NOTES ON INDIVIDUAL CLAUSES

Clause 1 : Short title

Clause 2 : Commencement

The Act shall come into operation on a date to be proclaimed. However the Council's power to wind up its own affairs will commence on Assent.

Clause 3 : Repeal

This clause repeals the ACIR Act.

Clause 4 : Interpretation

Clause 5 : Transfer of assets, liabilities, etc.

This clause transfers assets and liabilities to the Commonwealth on commencement day.

Clause 6 : Exemption from taxation

This clause exempts actions connected with the Act from Commonwealth, State and Territory taxes.

Clause 7 : Appropriation

This clause transfers any appropriations remaining on commencement day to the Commonwealth.

Clause 8 : Power of Council to wind up its own affairs

This clause gives the Council the power to wind up its own affairs.

