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AMENDMENTS INCORPORATION AMENDMENT BILL 1980

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Attorney-General,
Senator the Honourable P.D. Durack, Q.C.)

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Purpose

This Bill will amend the Amendments Incorporation Act 1905. The proposed amendment will enable endnotes to be used instead of marginal notes or footnotes to refer to amending enactments in reprints of Commonwealth Acts. This will facilitate the application of the Government Printer's computerised phototypesetting system to the reprinting of Commonwealth Acts with amendments incorporated.

Clause 1 - Short title, etc.

This is a customary provision which sets out the short title - the Amendments Incorporation Amendment Bill 1980 - and provides that the Amendments Incorporation Act 1905 is, in the new Act, referred to as the Principal Act.

Clause 2 - Commencement

The Act will be deemed to have come into operation on 1 January 1980. As it is closely allied with the Acts Interpretation Amendment Act 1980, it is desirable that this Act come into operation at the same time as the Acts Interpretation Amendment Act 1980.

Clause 3 - Incorporation of amendments in reprints of Acts

This clause amends section 2 of the Principal Act by providing for a new sub-section 2(2) which will extend the ambit of the present sub-section 2(2) to enable references to the enactment by which each amendment incorporated in a reprint of an Act is made to be shown in an endnote to the reprint.