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SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Amendment to be moved on behalf of the Government

(Circulated by authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy, the  
Hon Simon Crean, MP)

## AMENDMENTS OF AUSTRALIAN WOOL RESEARCH AND PROMOTION ORGANISATION BILL 1993

### OUTLINE

1. The proposed amendment to Part 3 of this Bill places an obligation on the Australian Wool Research and Promotion Organisation to consult with the Wool Council of Australia in the preparation of its corporate plans.
2. The proposed amendments to Part 6 of the Bill provide for the existing clauses in that Part to be identified as Division 1 of the Part and requires the Minister to take into consideration nominations by a selection committee in making appointments to the Organisation. The amendments to this Part then establishes a Division 2 encompassing the procedure for the establishment and operation of a selection committee.
3. Amendments to Parts 10 and 11 of the Bill effectively moves the facility for Commonwealth appropriations from Part 11 to Part 10 thus making it a permanent feature of the Bill. The provision for this clause to cease to have application by proclamation is removed and the period of application of the remaining clauses in Part 11 is extended by one year to 1 January 1996.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

4. The amendments will not affect Government expenditure.

## NOTES ON AMENDMENTS AND NEW CLAUSES

### AMENDMENT 1

#### Clause 10A - Inserting new Section 10A - Consultation with Wool Council of Australia

5. This clause provides that prior to giving its corporate plan to the Minister, the Organisation must consult the Wool Council of Australia on the plan.

### AMENDMENT 2

#### Division 1 - General

6. Provides for the insertion of a heading to Part 6.

### AMENDMENT 3

#### Clause 27 - Inserting new Subsection 27(3A)

This subclause provides for the Minister to take into consideration nominations by the selection committee in making appointments to the Organisation.

### AMENDMENT 4

#### Division 2 - Selection Committee

Inserts a new Division 2 in Part 6.

#### Clause 35A - Constitution of selection committee

7. This clause provides for the establishment of a selection committee by the Minister and for the committee to comprise a presiding member and three other members, one of whom is to be nominated by the Wool Council of Australia. Selection committee members are to be appointed on terms and conditions determined by the Minister.

#### Clause 35B - Request for nominations

This clause provides for the Minister to request a specific number of nominations from the presiding member of the selection committee and to require them to be made within a specified period.

#### Clause 35C - Proceedings of selection committee

This clause provides procedures for the selection committee including the seeking of nominations or identifying persons for nomination, having regard to

the qualifications and experience required of the members of the Organisation, the conduct of meetings and voting arrangements.

#### Clause 35D - Nominations by Committee

This clause provides that the selection committee must give nominations to the Minister within the specified time, that it make only one nomination for each appointment to be made, that it provide supporting information on the nominations and that, should the Minister so require, the selection committee must provide the Minister with additional information or further nominations as appropriate.

#### Clause 35E - Abolition of selection committee

This clause provides for the abolition of the selection committee once it has completed its tasks.

#### AMENDMENT 5

#### Clause 53 - Application of Organisation's money

This clause provides for the Organisation to make payments associated with expenses incurred in the selection process.

#### AMENDMENT 6

#### Clause 62A - Inserting new clause 62A - Payment to Organisation of money appropriated for wool promotion

This clause inserts a provision, originally Clause 73 of the Bill, for the payment to the Organisation of money appropriated by the Parliament for wool promotion. The effect of this new clause is to move the provision relating to such payments from the temporary provisions part of the Bill and gives it permanent status.

#### AMENDMENT 7

#### Clause 65 - Consultation

This amendment specifies that the Organisation has the power to consult the Wool Council of Australia as well other persons and bodies representative of different sectors of the wool industry.

#### AMENDMENT 8

#### Clause 73 - Payment to Organisation of money appropriated for wool promotion

This clause is removed.

## AMENDMENTS 9 AND 10

### Clause 74 - Cessation of operation of provisions

This clause omits references to section 73, thereby removing the existing provision that payment of money appropriated for wool promotion may be terminated by the Governor General by Proclamation. It also provides that if clauses 71 and 72 have not ceased prior to 1 January 1996, they cease to have effect on that day, thereby extending the savings provisions relating to existing Australian Wool Corporation functions.







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