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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES (REDEPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT)
AMENDMENT BILL 1983

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM
(CIRCULATED BY AUTHORITY OF THE MINISTER ASSISTING THE
PRIME MINISTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE INDUSTRIAL MATTERS).

OUTLINE

The Bill seeks to repeal sub-sections (3) to (7) inclusive of Section 24 of the Commonwealth Employees (Redeployment and Retirement) Act 1979 - (CE(RR) Act). Those provisions were inserted by an amendment in 1981 to preclude the operation of any the awards made by the Public Service Arbitrator and the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission in relation to redeployment or termination of employment of staff to whom the CE(RR) Act applied. It is the Government's intention to restore that jurisdiction to the arbitral bodies concerned. Accordingly, sub-sections (3) to (7) of section 24 are to be replaced by new sub-sections (3) and (4) which restore that jurisdiction.

Notes on Clauses

Clause 1 - short title - Commonwealth Employees (Redeployment and Retirement) Amendment Act 1983.

Clause 2 - Commencement - Royal Assent.

Clause 3 - Section 24 of the Commonwealth Employees (Redeployment and Retirement) Act is amended by omitting sub-sections (3) to (7), inclusive, and substituting new sub-sections (3) and (4). Sub-section (3) and (4) provides for awards etc., in relation to redeployment or termination, of arbitral bodies to prevail over any inconsistent provisions of the CE(RR) Act.