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Canned Fruits Levy Amendment Bill 1982

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Minister for Primary
Industry, the Hon. Peter Nixon, MP)

OUTLINE

The levy imposed on canned fruit production by the Canned Fruits Levy Act funds the administrative and promotional expenses of the Australian Canned Fruits Corporation.

This Bill proposes amending the maximum rate of levy imposed under the Act from the equivalent of 15 cents to 30 cents per basic carton of canned fruit. The Bill will also establish operative rates for the 1982 season, effective from 1 January 1982, equivalent to 27 cents per basic carton.

The relatively large increases in the maximum and operative rates is necessitated by the industry's decision to reduce 1982 season production to approximately one half of the 1981 season level in light of adverse marketing circumstances and the prospect that continuing production restraints will be required.

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EXPLANATION

1. (1) Citation.
(2) The Principal Act which is to be amended is the Canned Fruits Levy Act 1979.
2. Self explanatory.
3. Provides for the addition of a further Schedule to the Canned Fruits Levy Act setting out the operative rates of levy for the 1982 season.
4. Provides for a section to be inserted in the Canned Fruits Levy Act 1979 relating to the 1982 operative rate of levy
 - "6A (1) provides for the application of levy rates set out in Schedule 2 as the operative rates beginning 1 January 1982
 - (2) allows the 1982 levy rate set out in Schedule 2 to be changed by regulation
5. Sets out both the new maximum rates of levy, (Schedule 1) equivalent to 30 cents per basic carton of canned fruit, and the 1982 operative rate of levy (Schedule 2), equivalent to 27 cents per basic carton.

