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COAL INDUSTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1982

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Minister for Industrial
Relations the Hon R I Viner MP)

OUTLINE

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The purpose of this Bill is to re-arrange the proportions paid to the Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund and the Coal Research Account.

At present the excise revenue is apportioned on a basis of two-thirds (10 cents per tonne) : one-third (5 cents per tonne) allocation to the Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund and the Coal Research Account respectively.

From 1 April 1982 it is proposed the Long Service Leave Fund is to receive 20 cents per tonne and the Coal Research Account will continue to receive 5 cents per tonne, making the new proportions four-fifths and one-fifth respectively.

NOTES ON CLAUSES

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PART I - PRELIMINARY

Clause 1

Title and citation.

The clause refers to the Bill as the Coal Industry Legislation Amendment Bill 1982.

Two Acts are to be amended by Parts II and III of this Bill.

Part II . State Grants (Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave) Act 1949.

Part III . Coal Research Assistance Act 1977.

Clause 2

Provides for the date of operation of the Bill.

PART II - AMENDMENT OF STATES GRANTS (COAL MINING INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEAVE) ACT 1949

Clause 3

Citation - For purposes of Part II.

Clause 4

Amends section 3 of the States Grants (Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave) Act 1949 to provide - from 1 April 1982 - for a new proportion of the total excise raised on coal production, pursuant to the Excise Tariff Act 1921, to be allocated to the Coal

Mining Industry Long Service Leave Fund. The Fund is established by subsections 3(1) and 3(2) of the Principal Act.

Sub-clause 3(ab) sets the new proportion at four-fifths (in lieu of two-thirds) of the amounts raised as duties of excise.

PART III - AMENDMENT OF COAL RESEARCH ASSISTANCE ACT 1977

Clause 5

Citation - For purposes of Part III.

Clause 6

Amends section 5 of the Coal Research Assistance Act 1977 to provide - from 1 April 1982 for a new proportion of the total excise raised on coal production, pursuant to the Excise Tariff Act 1921, to be allocated to the Research Account which is established by section 4 of the Principal Act.

Sub-clause 6 (aa) sets the new proportion at one-fifth (in lieu of one-third) of the amounts raised as duties of excise.