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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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## OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to make consequential amendments to the Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975 following the amendments proposed in the Customs Amendment Bill 1983.

That Bill amends the Customs Act 1901 by adding a new Part thereto providing for the introduction of a new system of granting tariff concessions.

The Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975 provides that the Minister may exempt goods from dumping duty and countervailing duty in certain circumstances. The amendments permit the Minister to exempt goods from those duties where a Commercial Tariff Concession Order is in force.

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- <u>Clause 1</u> Citation of the Amendment Act and identification of the Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975 as the Principal Act.
- <u>Clause 2</u> Commencement date to be the day on which section 5 of the Customs Amendment Act 1983 comes into operation.
- <u>Clause 3</u> Amends section 8 of the Principal Act by adding a new paragraph which permits the Minister to exempt from dumping duty goods in respect of which a Commercial Tariff Concession Order is in force.
- <u>Clause 4</u> Amends section 10 of the Principal Act by adding a new paragraph which permits the Minister to exempt from countervaling duty goods in respect of which a Commercial Tariff Concession Order is in force.

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