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PRIMARY INDUSTRIES LEVIES AND CHARGES COLLECTION AMENDMENT
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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy, Senator the Honourable Bob Collins)



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OUTLINE

1. The purpose of this Bill is to amend the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991* to give effect to the repeal of the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1990*, which contained a legal drafting error, and replacement by the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1995*.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

2. The rate of levy imposed under the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1995*, in conjunction with this Bill will yield revenue equal to that which has been and would have been yielded by the levy imposed on cattle, calves and bobby calves under the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1990*.
3. Since the introduction of cost recovery for levy and charge collection in 1988 the Commonwealth has been reimbursed for expenses incurred. Consequently there will be no net effect to revenue in the implementation of this legislation. The Meat Industry Council's new component is expected to reflect the expenditure on functions that the Meat Industry Council is taking over from the Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation and the Meat Research Corporation.

NOTES ON CLAUSES

Clause 1 - Short Title

4. Provides for the Act to be called the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Act 1995* and defines the "Principal Act" as the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991*.

Clause 2 - Commencement

5. Provides for the Act to commence on 1 July 1995.

Clause 3 - Amendments

6. Provides for the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991* to be amended by the Schedule.

SCHEDULE - AMENDMENTS OF THE PRINCIPAL ACT

Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991

Items 1 and 2: Section 4 - Interpretation

7. Amendments to this section, in the definition of "feedlot operator" and in relation to who is liable to pay the levy, reflect that from 1 July 1995 the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1990* will be repealed and replaced with the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1995*.

Item 3: Section 8 - Liability of intermediaries - ancillary provisions

8. Section 8 of the Act provides that an abattoir proprietor may require payment of an amount of levy due on cattle for slaughter before slaughtering another person's cattle. This amendment substitutes the reference to the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1990* with a reference to the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1995*.

Item 4: Schedule 2

9. Amendments to this schedule, which lists the Acts that impose levies that are collected by the Act, reflect that from 1 July 1995 the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1990* will be repealed and replaced with the *Cattle Transaction Levy Act 1995*.

