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Pig Slaughter Levy Amendment Bill 1981

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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OUTLINE

The Amendment proposed to be made to the <u>Pig Slaughter</u> <u>Levy Act</u> 1971 is designed to increase the <u>maximum permissible</u> (not the operative) rate of levy which can be imposed under the Act for promotion purposes.

As amended, the Act will allow the <u>operative rate</u> of promotion levy (set by Regulation) to be set at an amount up to a <u>maximum rate</u> of one dollar per pig.

Amendment of the maximum was recommended by the national body of the pig industry, the Australian Commercial Pig Producers' Federation, because the operative rate of levy for promotion has already reached the 20 cents maximum rate currently permitted by the Act. The proposed amendment to the <u>maximum rate</u> will enable the industry to recommend increases in the <u>operative rate</u> of levy when such increases are desired.

- 1. Citation
- 2. Raises the maximum permissible rate of promotion levy from 20 cents to one dollar per pig slaughtered.

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