THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

SERVICE AND EXECUTION OF PROCESS (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1992

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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OUTLINE

This Bill -

- repeals the Service and Execution of Process Act 1901 ('SEPA');
- continues the application of relevant Parts of SEPA, where action has been taken under SEPA, before the commencement of the Bill; and
- amends the <u>Admiralty Act 1988</u>, the <u>Foreign Judgments Act 1991</u>, the <u>Proceeds</u>
 of <u>Crime Act 1987</u> and the <u>Transfer of Prisoners Act 1983</u> in consequence of the
 repeal of SEPA.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

2. The Bill is expected to have no impact on Commonwealth expenditure or revenue.

NOTES ON CLAUSES

Clause 1: Short Title

3. This clause provides for the short title of the Act.

Clause 2: Commencement

4. The Act will commence on the day fixed by Proclamation under subsection 2(4) of the Service and Execution of Process Act 1992. A Proclamation under subsection 2(4) of the Service and Execution of Process Act 1992 will bring into operation nearly all of the provisions of that Act.

Clause 3: Repeal

5. This clause repeals the Service and Execution of Process Act 1901 ('SEPA').

Clause 4: Transitional provisions

6. This clause continues the application of relevant Parts of SEPA, where action has been taken under SEPA, before the commencement of the Bill.

Clause 5: Consequential amendments of other Acts

7. This clause amends the Acts specified in the Schedule as set out in the Schedule.