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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDA

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Explanatory Memorandum

OUTLINE

The purpose of these Bills is to amend the Wool Tax Acts (Nos 1-5) 1964 to increase the tax imposed under them to a maximum rate of 10 per cent and to specify a minimum rate of 5.25 per cent. /

These amendments complement the provisions of the Wool Marketing Bill 1987 in relation to the apportionment of the wool tax receipts.

The five Wool Tax Acts are essentially identical but each Act covers a different method of selling shorn wool. For example, Wool Tax Act (No 1) covers shorn sold by a wool broker.

The Wool Tax Bills will impose a maximum rate of tax of 10 per cent, or such lower rate as is prescribed provided that the lower rate is not less than 5.25 per cent, on the sale value of all shorn wool produced in Australia and dealt with in a taxable manner. The minimum rate of 5.25% is equal to the sum of the minimum rates of apportionment specified in the Wool Marketing Bill 1987.

The Bills involve no additional cost to the Government.

Wool Tax (No 1) Amendment Bill 1987

Notes on clauses

Clause 1: Short Title and Principal Act

1. The Bill provides for the Act to be cited as the Wool Tax (No 1) Amendment Act (1987).
2. Establishes that references to the Principal Act are references to the Wool Tax Act (No 1) 1964.

Clause 2: Commencement

3. The provisions of the Bill will come into effect on 1 July 1987. The same commencement date applies in respect of the Wool Marketing Bill 1987, providing continuity in apportionment of wool tax receipts.

Clause 3: Amendment of Section 5 of Principal Act

4. Amends Section 5 of the Wool Tax Act (No 1) 1964 by increasing the maximum rate of tax to 10 per cent of the sale value of shorn wool sold by a wool-broker.

Clause 4: Regulations

5. Amends section 6 of the Wool Tax Act (No 1) 1964 by altering the existing range of taxation levels that may be prescribed by the Governor-General. The maximum rate of tax will be 10 per cent, while the minimum rate will be 5.25 per cent being equal to the sum of the minimum rates of apportionment as specified in the Wool Marketing Bill 1987. The rate of tax prescribed shall be identical in each of the Wool Tax Acts (Nos 1-5) 1964.

Wool Tax (No 2) Amendment Bill 1987

Notes on clauses

Clause 1: Short Title and Principal Act

1. The Bill provides for the Act to be cited as the Wool Tax (No 2) Amendment Act (1987).
2. Establishes that references to the Principal Act are references to the Wool Tax Act (No 2) 1964.

Clause 2: Commencement

3. The provisions of the Bill will come into effect on 1 July 1987. The same commencement date applies in respect of the Wool Marketing Bill 1987, providing continuity in apportionment of wool tax receipts.

Clause 3: Amendment of Section 5 of Principal Act

4. Amends Section 5 of the Wool Tax Act (No 2) 1964 by increasing the maximum rate of tax to 10 per cent of the sale value of shorn wool purchased by a registered wool-dealer from a person other than a wool-broker.

Clause 4: Regulations

5. Amends section 6 of the Wool Tax Act (No 2) 1964 by altering the existing range of taxation levels that may be prescribed by the Governor-General. The maximum rate of tax will be 10 per cent, while the minimum rate will be 5.25 per cent being equal to the sum of the minimum rates of apportionment as specified in the Wool Marketing Bill 1987. The rate of tax prescribed shall be identical in each of the Wool Tax Acts (Nos 1-5) 1964.

Wool Tax (No 3) Amendment Bill 1987

Notes on clauses

Clause 1: Short Title and Principal Act

1. The Bill provides for the Act to be cited as the Wool Tax (No 3) Amendment Act (1987).
2. Establishes that references to the Principal Act are references to the Wool Tax Act (No 3) 1964.

Clause 2: Commencement

3. The provisions of the Bill will come into effect on 1 July 1987. The same commencement date applies in respect of the Wool Marketing Bill 1987, providing continuity in apportionment of wool tax receipts.

Clause 3: Amendment of Section 5 of Principal Act

4. Amends Section 5 of the Wool Tax Act (No 3) 1964 by increasing the maximum rate of tax to 10 per cent of the sale value of shorn wool purchased by a manufacturer from a person other than a wool-broker or a registered wool-dealer.

Clause 4: Regulations

5. Amends section 6 of the Wool Tax Act (No 3) 1964 by altering the existing range of taxation levels that may be prescribed by the Governor-General. The maximum rate of tax will be 10 per cent, while the minimum rate will be 5.25 per cent being equal to the sum of the minimum rates of apportionment as specified in the Wool Marketing Bill 1987. The rate of tax prescribed shall be identical in each of the Wool Tax Acts (Nos 1-5) 1964.

Wool Tax (No 4) Amendment Bill 1987

Notes on clauses

Clause 1: Short Title and Principal Act

1. The Bill provides for the Act to be cited as the Wool Tax (No 4) Amendment Act (1987).
2. Establishes that references to the Principal Act are references to the Wool Tax Act (No 4) 1964.

Clause 2: Commencement

3. The provisions of the Bill will come into effect on 1 July 1987. The same commencement date applies in respect of the Wool Marketing Bill 1987, providing continuity in apportionment of wool tax receipts.

Clause 3: Amendment of Section 5 of Principal Act

4. Amends Section 5 of the Wool Tax Act (No 4) 1964 by increasing the maximum rate of tax to 10 per cent of the sale value of shorn wool subjected by a manufacturer to a process of manufacture.

Clause 4: Regulations

5. Amends section 6 of the Wool Tax Act (No 4) 1964 by altering the existing range of taxation levels that may be prescribed by the Governor-General. The maximum rate of tax will be 10 per cent, while the minimum rate will be 5.25 per cent being equal to the sum of the minimum rates of apportionment as specified in the Wool Marketing Bill 1987. The rate of tax prescribed shall be identical in each of the Wool Tax Acts (Nos 1-5) 1964.

Wool Tax (No 5) Amendment Bill 1987

Notes on clauses

Clause 1: Short Title and Principal Act

1. The Bill provides for the Act to be cited as the Wool Tax (No 5) Amendment Act (1987).
2. Establishes that references to the Principal Act are references to the Wool Tax Act (No 5) 1964.

Clause 2: Commencement

3. The provisions of the Bill will come into effect on 1 July 1987. The same commencement date applies in respect of the Wool Marketing Bill 1987, providing continuity in apportionment of wool tax receipts.

Clause 3: Amendment of Section 5 of Principal Act

4. Amends Section 5 of the Wool Tax Act (No 5) 1964 by increasing the maximum rate of tax to 10 per cent of the sale value of shorn wool exported from Australia.

Clause 4: Regulations

5. Amends section 6 of the Wool Tax Act (No 5) 1964 by altering the existing range of taxation levels that may be prescribed by the Governor-General. The maximum rate of tax will be 10 per cent, while the minimum rate will be 5.25 per cent being equal to the sum of the minimum rates of apportionment as specified in the Wool Marketing Bill 1987. The rate of tax prescribed shall be identical in each of the Wool Tax Acts (Nos 1-5) 1964.