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**ABORIGINAL LAND (LAKE CONDAH AND FRAMLINGHAM FOREST)  
AMENDMENT BILL 1994**

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the  
Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs,  
the Honourable Robert Tickner MP)

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OUTLINE

The *Aboriginal Land (Lake Condah and Framlingham Forest) Act 1987* enabled certain land at Lake Condah and Framlingham Forest owned by the State of Victoria to be vested in certain Aboriginal communities. Part V of the Act regulates mining operations which may be carried out upon this land in accordance with the Victorian legislation. The Victorian *Mines Act 1958* was in force at the date of enactment but has now been repealed and replaced by the Victorian *Mineral Resources Development Act 1990*.

Amendment to sections 3 and 36 of the Principal Act

These amendments to the *Aboriginal Land (Lake Condah and Framlingham Forest) Act 1987* are solely consequential upon the Victorian amendments.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Financial impact of the amendment is expected to be nil.

## NOTES ON CLAUSES

### **Clause 1 - Short title**

This clause provides that the Act may be cited as the *Aboriginal Land (Lake Condah and Framlingham Forest) Amendment Act 1994*.

### **Clause 2 - Commencement**

This clause provides that the Act will commence on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

### **Clause 3 - Amendment of section 3**

The Principal Act presently defines the terms "mineral" and "mining tenement" by reference to Victorian legislation which has now been repealed. This clause amends the definition section of the Principal Act by accommodating the definitions of mineral and mining tenement which are currently in force under Victorian law.

### **Clause 4 - Amendment of section 36**

This clause replaces the reference to repealed Victorian legislation applicable to entry onto relevant Aboriginal land with a reference to the legislation currently in force in Victoria.

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