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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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Introduction

The Australian Honey Board is financed from the proceeds of the levy/export charge imposed for that purpose. The main purpose of the Bill is to distinguish between the Honey Board portion of the levy/export charge and the research portion to operate from 1 July 1980.

The Legislation Proposal

The Australian Honey Board was established by the Honey Industry Act 1962.

Section 5 of the Bill amends Section 23 of the principal Act so as to continue to provide for the appropriation from the Consolidated Revenue Fund to the Board, of amounts equal to those parts of the levy/export charge (and penalties) collected for the purposes of the Board.

Section 4 of the Bill makes consequential amendment to Section 16 of the principal Act to permit the Honey Board to continue to make recommendations to the Minister in respect of the operative rates of levy/export charge for the purposes of the Board.

Section 3 of the Bill brings the remuneration provisions for Honey Board members (Section 14 of the Principal Act) into line with current practice.