THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ministers of State Amendment Bill 1987

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Minister representing the Special Minister of State, Senator the Hon Michael Tate)

OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the <u>Ministers of State Act</u> 1952 to increase the limit on the annual sum appropriated from the Commonwealth Consolidated Fund in respect of the salaries of Ministers, consequent upon the 2.3% National Wage Case handed down by the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission on 1 July 1986.

The effect of the 1 July 1986 National Wage Case is to increase the total sum paid in ministerial salaries by \$15,286\$ in a full year.

CLAUSE NOTES

Clause 1

This clause cites the Act as the Ministers of State Amendment Act 1987 and cites the Ministers of State Act 1952 as the Principal Act.

Clause 2

The commencement of the Act shall be the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Clause 3

Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended to increase from \$660,000 to \$680,000 the limit on the annual amount payable by way of Ministerial salaries.