# THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPRESENTATION AMENDMENT BILL 1985

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of the Special Minister of State)

#### OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to enable the twelve additional senators elected to the Parliament in December 1984 to receive salary and allowances from the date of their election (1 December 1984) rather than from the date their term commenced (21 February 1985) as is currently specified in the Act.

In accordance with the provisions of the Remuneration Tribunals

Act 1973 the additional funds of approximately \$154,000 needed to implement the provision would be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

#### NOTES ON CLAUSES

## Clauses 1 and 2

The first two clauses of the Bill provide for the title of the legislation, citation of the Representation Act 1983 as the Principal Act, and for the commencement of the legislation. The provisions of the Bill will come into effect on the day it receives Royal assent.

### Clause 3

Amends sub-section 5(6) of the Principal Act to enable the twelve additional senators elected to the Parliament on 1 December 1984 to receive salary and allowances from that date.

