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THERAPEUTIC GOODS (CHARGES) AMENDMENT BILL 1993

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by the authority of the Minister for Family Services,
Senator the Hon Rosemary Crowley)

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GENERAL OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to amend the Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Act 1989 to accommodate proposed complementary State and Territory legislation that is to be enacted to implement a uniform national system of controls for therapeutic goods.

This Bill will allow the Commonwealth to collect charges in relation to activities conducted on behalf of States and Territories in accordance with complementary State and Territory legislation, as defined in the amendments to the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989 contained in clauses 29 and 32 of the Health and Community Services Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1993.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There will be no additional call upon the budget as a result of these changes.

NOTES ON CLAUSES

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Clause 1 - Short title, etc.

Subclause 1(1) provides that this Act may be cited as the Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Act 1993.

Subclause 1(2) provides that all references to the Principal Act are references to the Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Act 1989.

Clause 2 - Commencement

Clause 2 provides that the amendments contained in the Act come into force on the date of Royal Assent.

Clause 3 - Charges

New subsection 4(3) to the Principal Act will enable the Commonwealth to collect revenue in the form of charges for the annual renewal of registration entries in the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods, where those registration entries are the result of powers conferred upon the Secretary under corresponding State law as defined in the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989 (as per the proposed amendments in Part 8 of the Health and Community Services Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1993).

New subsection 4(4) to the Principal Act will enable the Commonwealth to collect revenue in the form of charges for the annual renewal of listing entries in the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods, where those listing entries are the result of powers conferred upon the Secretary under corresponding State law as defined in the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989 (as per the proposed amendments in Part 8 of the Health and Community Services Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1993).

New subsection 4(5) to the the Principal Act will enable the Commonwealth to collect revenue in the form of charges for the issuing and renewal of licences for manufacturers of therapeutic goods, where the issuing of those licences is effected pursuant to powers conferred upon the Secretary under corresponding State law as defined in the proposed amendments in Part 8 of the Health and Community Services Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1993).

New subsection 4(6) clarifies that references to the Therapeutic Goods Act in this Bill are references to the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989.