Taxation Administration

No. 155 of 1965

An Act to amend the *Taxation Administration Act* 1953–1964 in relation to Decimal Currency.

[Assented to 18 December, 1965]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Act may be cited as the Taxation Administration and electron.

(2.) The Taxation Administration Act 1953-1964,* as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Taxation Administration Act 1953-1965.

Commencement.

- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the fourteenth day of February, One thousand nine hundred and sixty-six.
- 3. After section 16 of the Taxation Administration Act 1953-1964 the following section is inserted:—

Powers of taxation officers in relation to references to currency, &c.

- " 17.—(1.) In this section—
- 'decimal currency 'means the currency provided for by the Currency Act 1965;
- 'law of the Commonwealth' has the same meaning as in section 10 of the Currency Act 1965;
- 'officer' means the Commissioner of Taxation, a Second Commissioner of Taxation, an officer of the Public Service of the Commonwealth or a person employed under Division 10 of Part III. of the *Public Service Act* 1922-1964;
- 'taxation law' means any law of the Commonwealth of which the Commissioner of Taxation has the general administration;
- 'the previous currency 'means the currency provided for by the Coinage Act 1909-1947.
- "(2.) An officer may, in the exercise of, or for the purpose of exercising, any power under a taxation law or in the performance of, or for the purpose of performing, any function under a taxation law—
 - (a) treat—
 - (i) a reference in a law of the Commonwealth;
 - (ii) a reference in a bill of exchange, promissory note, security for money, contract or agreement (whether the contract or agreement is in writing or not), deed or other instrument; or
 - (iii) a reference in any other manner, to an amount of money in the previous currency as a reference to a corresponding amount of money in decimal currency and treat such a reference to an amount of money in decimal currency as a reference to a corresponding amount of money in the previous currency;

Act No. 1, 1953, as amended by Nos. 28, 39, 40 and 52, 1953; No. 18, 1955; No. 39, 1957; No. 95, 1959; No. 17, 1960; and No. 75, 1964.

- (b) treat an amount of money in the previous currency as a corresponding amount of money in decimal currency and treat an amount of money in decimal currency as a corresponding amount of money in the previous currency; and
- (c) express an amount of money in either decimal currency or the previous currency.
- "(3.) For the purposes of paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of the last preceding sub-section—
 - (a) the amount of money in decimal currency that corresponds with an amount of money in the previous currency; and
 - (b) the amount of money in the previous currency that corresponds with an amount of money in decimal currency,

shall be calculated on the basis of the equivalents specified in sub-section (4.) of section 8 of the Currency Act 1965.".