

States Grants (Aboriginal Advancement)

No. 116 of 1970

An Act to grant Financial Assistance to the States
in connexion with the Welfare and Advancement
(including Housing) of the Aboriginal People of Australia.

[Assented to 11 November 1970]

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

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the *States Grants (Aboriginal Advancement) Act 1970*.

Commence-
ment.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Grants of
financial
assistance
to States.

3.—(1.) There is payable, during the year that commenced on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seventy, to each State, for the purpose of financial assistance in connexion with the welfare and advancement (including housing) of the Aboriginal people of Australia living in that State, amounts not exceeding in the whole the amount specified in the First Schedule to this Act opposite to the name of that State.

(2.) The grant of financial assistance to a State under this Act is subject to the following conditions:—

- (a) that so much of the amounts paid to that State by the Commonwealth under this Act as is equal to the amount specified in the Second Schedule to this Act opposite to the name of the State will be applied by the State, in a manner and within a time approved by the Minister, for the purposes of expenditure in connexion with the housing of Aboriginal people of Australia living in the State and that the remainder of those amounts will be applied by the State, in such a manner and within such a time, for the purposes of expenditure in connexion with the housing, or other welfare or advancement, of Aboriginal people of Australia living in the State; and
- (b) that, if the Minister informs the Treasurer of that State that he is satisfied that the State has failed, in respect of an amount paid to the State under this Act, to fulfil the conditions referred to in the last preceding paragraph, the State will repay that amount to the Commonwealth.

4. A payment to a State in pursuance of this Act shall be made out of the Aboriginal Advancement Trust Account established under section 62A of the *Audit Act* 1901–1969.

Payments to be
made out of
Trust Account.

THE SCHEDULES

FIRST SCHEDULE

Section 3 (1.).

MAXIMUM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR WELFARE AND ADVANCEMENT (INCLUDING HOUSING)

					\$
New South Wales	..	..	..	..	1,701,000
Victoria ..	..	..	..	..	367,000
Queensland	2,538,000
South Australia	660,000
Western Australia	1,680,000
Tasmania	54,000
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SECOND SCHEDULE

Section 3 (2.).

MINIMUM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HOUSING

					\$
New South Wales	1,350,000
Victoria ..	..	..	..	..	265,000
Queensland	1,770,000
South Australia	300,000
Western Australia	1,080,000
Tasmania	35,000
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