

Tobacco Charge (No. 1) Amendment Act 1985

No. 96 of 1985

An Act to amend the *Tobacco Charge Act (No. 1) 1955*, and for related purposes

[Assented to 26 September 1985]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

Short title, &c.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Tobacco Charge (No. 1) Amendment Act 1985.

(2) The Tobacco Charge Act (No. 1) 1955¹ is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Commencement

2. (1) Sections 1 and 2 shall come into operation on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

(2) Sections 3 and 4 shall come into operation on the day with effect from which the levy imposed by the Tobacco Charge Act (No. 1) 1955, the Tobacco Charge Act (No. 2) 1955 and the Tobacco Charge Act (No. 3) 1955 are declared by the regulations made under the Rural Industries Research Act 1985 to be a prescribed class of levies.

3. Sections 5 and 6 of the Principal Act are repealed and the following sections are substituted:

Rate of charge

"5. The rate of the charge imposed by this Act is such amount per kilogram of tobacco leaf as is equal to the aggregate of—

- (a) the amount that is prescribed for the purposes of this paragraph; and
- (b) the amount that is prescribed for the purposes of this paragraph.

Regulations .

"6. (1) The Governor-General may make regulations prescribing an amount for the purpose of paragraph 5 (a) and prescribing an amount for the purpose of paragraph 5 (b) but so that the aggregate of the amounts so prescribed does not exceed 6 cents.

"(2) Before making regulations prescribing an amount for the purpose of paragraph 5 (a) or (b), the Governor-General shall take into consideration any relevant recommendations made to the Minister by the Australian Tobacco Board.

"(3) Regulations made for the purposes of sub-section (1) may provide that an amount prescribed for the purpose of paragraph 5 (a) or (b) applies only in respect of a period specified in the regulations.".

Application of amendments

4. The amendments made by this Act apply in respect of Australian tobacco leaf sold to a manufacturer on or after the day that is referred to in sub-section 2 (2).

NOTE

[Minister's second reading speech made in— House of Representatives on 17 April 1985 Senate on 9 May 1985]

^{1.} No. 59, 1955, as amended. For previous amendments, see No. 86, 1965; No. 93, 1966; and Nos. 72 and 73, 1982.