



# **Telecommunications (Numbering Fees) Act 1991**

**No. 90 of 1991**

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**An Act to provide for the payment of fees for the  
allocation of numbers for public telecommunications  
services**

*[Assented to 26 June 1991]*

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

**Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the *Telecommunications (Numbering Fees) Act 1991*.

**Commencement**

2. (1) Subject to this section, this Act commences on 1 July 1991.

(2) Sections 1 and 2 commence on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

**Interpretation**

3. An expression has in this Act the same meaning as it has in the *Telecommunications Act 1991*.

**Fees for allocation of numbers**

4. There is payable to the Commonwealth, by a person to whom a number is to be allocated under section 242 of the *Telecommunications Act 1991*, in respect of the allocation of that number, the fee (if any) fixed by the regulations.

**Fees for allocation of “special” numbers**

5. There is payable to the Commonwealth, by a person to whom a number is to be allocated under section 242 of the *Telecommunications Act 1991*, in respect of the allocation of that number, the additional fee (if any) worked out as set out in the regulations.

**Regulations for section 4**

6. (1) The Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Act, fixing fees for the purposes of section 4.

(2) Regulations under subsection (1) must not fix a fee of more than \$2,000.

**Regulations for section 5**

7. (1) The Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Act, providing for fees for the purposes of section 5.

(2) Regulations under subsection (1):

- (a) may fix a fee by way of a premium for the allocation of particular numbers or classes of numbers; or
- (b) may provide for fees to be worked out by reference to the results of:
  - (i) a tender process; or
  - (ii) a public auction;conducted as provided by the regulations.

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[Minister's second reading speech made in—  
*House of Representatives on 7 May 1991*  
*Senate on 29 May 1991*]