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The Parliament of Australia enacts:

[Assented to 28 June 1996]

1 Short title etc.

- (1) This Act may be cited as the *Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Fees) Amendment Act 1996*.
- (2) In this Act, *Principal Act* means the *Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Fees) Act 1991*.

2 Commencement

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Act commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.
- (2) If this Act does not receive the Royal Assent on or before 30 June 1996 it is taken to have commenced on that day.

3 Schedule(s)

Each Act that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

4 Application

The amendment made by item 1 of Schedule 1 applies in respect only of fees payable on 1 July 1996 or on 1 July of each succeeding year in respect of a general telecommunications licence or a public mobile licence.

5 Regulations

Despite subsection 48(2) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*, regulations made under paragraph 6(b) of the Principal Act may, for the purposes of determining the amount of the fee payable by carriers on 1 July 1996 under that Act, be expressed to have commenced at a time not earlier than the commencement of this Act.

Schedule 1—Amendment of the Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Fees) Act 1991

1 Paragraph 6(b)

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

- (b) an amount, determined under the regulations, to be the proportion of the Commonwealth's contribution to the budget of the International Telecommunication Union for the calendar year in which that 1 July occurs that is to be recovered from carriers.

*[Minister's second reading speech made in—
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