

Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Television and Radio Licence Fees) Act 2016

No. 73, 2016

An Act to amend legislation relating to broadcasting, and for related purposes

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[*Assented to 23 November 2016*]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

 This Act is the *Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Television and Radio Licence Fees) Act 2016*.

2 Commencement

 (1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this Act | The day after this Act receives the Royal Assent. | 24 November 2016 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this Act.

 (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

3 Schedules

 Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Part 1—Amendments

Radio Licence Fees Act 1964

1 Section 5

Before “There”, insert “(1)”.

2 At the end of section 5

Add:

 (2) The regulations may make provision for rebates of fees payable by licensees.

3 Subsection 6(2)

After “amount”, insert “that is 75% of the amount”.

Television Licence Fees Act 1964

4 Subsection 6(2)

After “amount”, insert “that is 75% of the amount”.

Part 2—Application and transitional provisions

5 Application

The amendments made by Part 1 of this Schedule apply to a fee payable by a licensee after the commencement of this item.

6 Transitional—licence fee rebate scheme

A licensee is not entitled to a rebate under Part 4 of the *Television Licence Fees Regulations 1990* for an accounting period (within the meaning of that Part) if the fee for the accounting period is payable after the commencement of this item.

[*Minister’s second reading speech made in—*

*House of Representatives on 15 September 2016*

*Senate on 7 November 2016*]

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