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CORRIGENDUM

**AGED CARE BILL**

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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(Circulated by authority of the Minister for Family Services, the Hon. Mrs Judi Moylan, MP)



The penalty for this offence is 30 penalty units.

As stated in the Note, Chapter 2 of the *Criminal Code* sets out the general principles of criminal responsibility including the value of a penalty unit.

#### **Clause 96-8 Application of the *Criminal Code***

This clause provides that Chapter 2 of the *Criminal Code* applies to all offences against this Act.

#### **Clause 96-9 Appropriation**

This clause provides that subsidies under Chapter 3 (that is, residential care subsidies, community care subsidies and flexible care subsidies) are payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund which is appropriated accordingly.

#### **Clause 96-10 Minister may give general policy directions**

This clause provides that the Secretary's functions and powers under the Act must be exercised in accordance with any written general policy directions given by the Minister. The Minister can only give such directions within 12 months after this section commences. However, policy directions may be revoked at any time.

Such policy directions are to be tabled before both Houses of Parliament by the Minister within 15 sitting days after the direction was given.

#### **Clause 96-11 Determinations by Minister to be laid before each House of the Parliament**

This clause provides that the Minister must table a copy of any determination in relation to subsidy payable under Chapter 3 in each House of the parliament, within 15 sittings days of that House after the determination was made.

#### **Clause 96-12 Regulations**

This clause provides that the Governor-General may make regulations on matters as set out in this Bill or are necessary and convenient for the administration of this Act.

### **Schedule 1 - Dictionary**

#### **Clause 1 Definitions**

This clause provides definitions for terms used in the Bill.

