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# **Higher Education Endowment Fund** (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2007

### No. , 2007

(Education, Science and Training)

A Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters relating to the enactment of the *Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007*, and for other purposes

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- <sup>2</sup> relating to the enactment of the *Higher Education*
- 3 Endowment Fund Act 2007, and for other purposes
- <sup>4</sup> The Parliament of Australia enacts:

#### 5 1 Short title

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This Act may be cited as the *Higher Education Endowment Fund* (*Consequential Amendments*) Act 2007.

#### 8 2 Commencement

9 10 11 12	(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.
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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provision(s)	Commencement	Date/Details
1. Sections 1 to 3 and anything in this Act not elsewhere covered by this table	The day on which this Act receives th Royal Assent.	ie
2. Schedule 1	At the same time as the <i>Higher Educa</i> Endowment Fund Act 2007 commence	
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3 Schedule(s)		
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11 according to its terms.

> 2 Higher Education Endowment Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2007 No. ,

Scheo	dule 1—Amendments
Part 1-	–Amendments
Future	Fund Act 2006
<b>1 Title</b> O	mit " <b>related</b> ", substitute " <b>other</b> ".
2 Subs	ection 3(1)
В	efore "object", insert "main".
<b>3 Secti</b>	on 4 mit:
	• The Board is bound by an Investment Mandate given to it by the responsible Ministers.
su	ibstitute:
	• The Board is bound by a Future Fund Investment Mandate given to it by the responsible Ministers.
4 At the	e end of section 4
А	dd:
	Note: The Future Fund Board of Guardians has additional functions under the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007</i> .
5 Secti	on 5
In	isert:
	business entity means:
	(a) a company; or
	(b) a partnership; or
	<ul><li>(c) a trust; or</li><li>(d) a body politic.</li></ul>

6	Section 5
	Insert:
	<i>Education Minister</i> means the Minister responsible for administering the <i>Higher Education Support Act 2003</i> .
7	Section 5
	Insert:
	Future Fund investment function of the Board means:
	<ul><li>(a) a function or power conferred on the Board by section 16, 23, 25, 27 or 28; or</li></ul>
	(b) a right or power conferred on the Board in its capacity as the holder of an investment of the Fund.
8	Section 5
	Insert:
	<i>Future Fund Investment Mandate</i> has the meaning given by subsection 18(3).
9	Section 5
	Insert:
	<i>Higher Education Endowment Fund</i> means the Higher Education Endowment Fund established by section 11 of the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007</i> .
10	) Section 5
	Insert:
	<i>Higher Education Endowment Fund investment function</i> has the same meaning as in the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act</i> 2007.
11	Section 5
	Insert:
	<i>Higher Education Endowment Fund matter</i> means a matter that relates to the Board's functions under the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007.</i>

12	Section 5
	Insert:
	Higher Education Endowment Fund Special Account means the
	Higher Education Endowment Fund Special Account established
	by section 12 of the Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007.
13	Section 5 (definition of investment function)
	Repeal the definition.
14	Section 5 (definition of Investment Mandate)
	Repeal the definition.
15	Section 14
	Omit:
	• The Board is bound by an Investment Mandate given to it by
	the responsible Ministers.
	substitute:
	• The Board is bound by a Future Fund Investment Mandate given to it by the responsible Ministers.
16	Subsection 15(1)
	Omit "2(a)", substitute "2(1)(a)".
17	Subsection 15(2)
	Omit "2(c) to (m)", substitute "2(1)(c) to (i), and paragraphs 2(2)(a) to
	(g),".
18	Subsection 18(1)
	Omit "investment functions", substitute "Future Fund investment
	functions".
Note	The headings to sections 18 and 19 are altered by inserting " <b>Future Fund</b> " before " <b>Investment</b> ".
19	After subsection 18(1)
	Insert:
	<ol> <li>13</li> <li>14</li> <li>15</li> <li>16</li> <li>17</li> <li>18</li> <li>Note</li> </ol>

1		(1A) Subsection (1) has effect subject to section 18A.
	20	Subsection 18(3)
2 3	20	Omit "Investment Mandate", substitute "Future Fund Investment
4		Mandate".
5	21	After subsection 18(5)
6		Insert:
7		(5A) Subsection (4) has effect subject to section 18A.
3	22	Subsection 18(6)
9 0		Omit "Investment Mandate", substitute "Future Fund Investment Mandate".
1	23	Subsection 18(10)
2 3		Omit "investment functions", substitute "Future Fund investment functions".
4	24	Subsection 18(10) (note)
5 6		Omit " <i>Investment function</i> ", substitute " <i>Future Fund investment function</i> ".
7	25	Subsection 18(12)
8 9		Omit "Investment Mandate" (wherever occurring), substitute "Future Fund Investment Mandate".
)	26	After section 18
1		Insert:
2	<b>18</b> A	A Limitation on Future Fund Investment Mandate
3		(1) The responsible Ministers must not give a direction under
.4 .5		subsection 18(1) that has the purpose, or has or is likely to have the effect, of directly or indirectly requiring the Board to:
.5 26		(a) invest an amount standing to the credit of the Fund Account
.7		in a particular financial asset; or
8		(b) acquire a particular derivative; or
9		(c) allocate financial assets to:
		(i) a particular business entity; or

(ii) a particular activity; or
(iii) a particular business.
(2) Paragraphs (1)(a) and (b) do not limit paragraph (1)(c).
Section 20
Omit "Investment Mandate" (wherever occurring), substitute "Future
Fund Investment Mandate".
: The heading to section 20 is altered by inserting " <b>Future Fund</b> " before " <b>Investment</b> ".
At the end of subsection 21(2)
Add "if the acquisition is the result of the performance by the Board of its Future Fund investment functions".
Section 22
Repeal the section.
Subsections 23(1) and (2)
After "borrow money", insert "for a purpose in connection with the Fund".
Subsection 23(3)
After "borrow money", insert "for a purpose in connection with the Fund if the borrowing takes place".
Subsection 24(1)
After "matters", insert "in connection with the Fund".
Subsections 24(2) and (6)
Omit "Investment Mandate", substitute "Future Fund Investment
Mandate".
Paragraph 25(1)(c)
After "derivatives)", insert "for a purpose in connection with the Fund".
At the end of paragraph 25(1)(d)
Add "for a purpose in connection with the Fund".

	Add "for a purpose in connection with the Fund".
37	<b>Subsections 27(2), (3) and (4)</b> After "arrangement", insert "entered into under subsection (1)".
38	At the end of subsection 28(1)
	Add "for purposes in connection with the Fund".
39	Paragraph 28(2)(c)
	After "arrangement", insert "under subsection 27(1)".
40	At the end of paragraph 28(2)(d)
	Add "that are investments of the Fund".
41	Paragraph 28(2)(e)
	After "Board", insert "under subsection (1) of this section".
42	Subsections 28(3) and (4)
	After "engaged by the Board", insert "under subsection (1)".
43	At the end of section 28
	Add:
	<ul> <li>(5) Neither this Act nor the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007</i> prevents the same person from being engaged as an investment manager under both of the following provisions:</li> <li>(a) subsection (1) of this section;</li> <li>(b) subsection 34(1) of the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund</i></li> </ul>
	Act 2007.
44	Sections 30 and 31
	Repeal the sections, substitute:
30	Refund of franking credits
	If:
	(a) the Board receives a refund of a tax offset under the <i>Incon</i>
	Tax Assessment Act 1997; and

1		the refu	nd is to be credited to the Fund Account.
2		Note 1:	See also section 84B.
3 4		Note 2:	For refunds of tax offsets, see Division 63 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.
5	45	At the end of	f section 33
6		Add:	
7 8		Note:	The Future Fund Board of Guardians has additional functions under the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007</i> .
9	46	At the end of	f paragraph 35(b)
10		Add "or the	Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007".
11	47	Subsection 5	54(1)
12			re the Board", insert "to".
13	48	Paragraph 54	4(1)(a)
14		Omit "to" (fi	irst occurring).
15	49	Paragraph 54	4(1)(a)
16		After "functi	ons", insert "under this Act".
17	50	Paragraph 54	4(2)(a)
18		After "functi	ons", insert "under this Act".
19	51	At the end of	f section 55
20		Add:	
21		(3) Subsect	ions (1) and (2) do not apply to the operations of the Board
22		under th	ne Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007.
23	52	Subsection 6	53(1)
24		Omit all the	words after "doing", substitute:
25		an act th	nat:
26			other provision of this Act; or
27			e Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007;
28		requires	the Board member to do.

1 <b>53</b>	After paragraph 63(2)(a)
2	Insert:
3	(aa) the Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007; or
4 <b>54</b>	Paragraph 81(1)(d)
5	Repeal the paragraph.
6 <b>55</b>	Paragraph 81(1)(e)
7	Omit "2(g)", substitute "2(1)(f)'.
8 <b>56</b>	After paragraph 81(1)(e)
9	Insert:
10 11	(ea) the total amount debited from the Fund Account for the purpose mentioned in paragraph 2(2)(d) of Schedule 2; and
12 <b>57</b>	Paragraph 81(1)(f)
12	Omit " $2(k)$ ", substitute " $2(2)(e)$ '.
14 <b>58</b>	Paragraph 81(1)(g)
15	Omit "2(1)", substitute "2(2)(f)'.
16 <b>59</b>	Paragraph 81(1)(h)
17	Omit "2(m)", substitute "2(2)(g)'.
18 <b>60</b>	At the end of paragraph 81(1)(h)
19	Add "and".
20 <b>61</b>	After paragraph 81(1)(h)
21	Insert:
22	(i) the performance of the investments of the Higher Education
23	Endowment Fund; and
24	(j) the total amount debited from the Higher Education
25	Endowment Fund Special Account for the purpose mentioned in paragraph 16(1)(f) of the <i>Higher Education Endowment</i>
26 27	Fund Act 2007; and
28	(k) the total amount debited from the Higher Education
29	Endowment Fund Special Account for the purpose mentioned

1 2		in paragraph 16(4)(d) of the <i>Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007</i> ; and
2		(1) the total amount debited from the Higher Education
4		Endowment Fund Special Account for the purpose mentioned
5		in paragraph 16(4)(e) of the <i>Higher Education Endowment</i>
6		Fund Act 2007; and
7		(m) the total amount debited from the Higher Education
8		Endowment Fund Special Account for the purpose mentioned
9		in paragraph 16(4)(f) of the <i>Higher Education Endowment</i>
10		Fund Act 2007; and
11 12		<ul><li>(n) the total amount debited from the Higher Education</li><li>Endowment Fund Special Account for the purpose mentioned</li></ul>
12		in paragraph 16(4)(g) of the <i>Higher Education Endowment</i>
14		Fund Act 2007;
15	62	Subsection 81(2)
16		Omit "(1)(d)", substitute "(1)(e)".
17	63	At the end of subsection 81(2)
18		Add "and $(j)$ to $(n)$ ".
	64	At the end of eaction 04
19	64	At the end of section 81
20		Add:
21		(4) As soon as practicable after receiving a report under this section,
22		the nominated Minister must give a copy of the report to the
23		Education Minister.
24	65	Section 84
25		Before "If", insert "(1)".
26	66	Paragraph 84(b)
27		Repeal the paragraph, substitute:
28		(b) neither:
29		(i) another provision of this Act; nor
30		(ii) a provision of the Higher Education Endowment Fund
31		Act 2007;
32		requires the amount to be credited to the Fund Account or the
33		Higher Education Endowment Fund Special Account;

67	At the end of section 84
	Add:
	Transfer of amounts to the Higher Education Endowment Fund Special Account
	<ul> <li>(2) If an amount is credited to the Fund Account under subsection ( the nominated Minister may, by writing, direct that a specified amount is to be: <ul> <li>(a) debited from the Fund Account; and</li> <li>(b) credited to the Higher Education Endowment Fund Specia Account;</li> <li>on a specified day.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	(3) The specified amount must not exceed the amount credited to th Fund Account under subsection (1).
	(4) A direction under subsection (2) is not a legislative instrument.
68	After section 84
	Insert:
<b>84</b> A	A Exemption from taxation
	Income tax
	<ol> <li>To avoid doubt, for the purposes of section 50-25 of the <i>Income</i> <i>Tax Assessment Act 1997</i>, the Board is taken to be a public authority constituted under an Australian law.</li> </ol>
	Note: This means that the Board is exempt from income tax.
	State/Territory taxes
	(2) To avoid doubt, the Board is not subject to taxation under a law a State or Territory, if the Commonwealth is not subject to the taxation.
84E	<b>B</b> Franking credits

1 2	Note: See Division 207 of the <i>Income Tax Assessment Act 1997</i> (franked distributions).
3 4	<ul><li>(2) Subsection (1) has effect despite subsection 207-115(1) of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.</li></ul>
5 6 7 8	(3) For the purposes of the <i>Income Tax Assessment Act 1997</i> , the Board's entitlement to a tax offset is to be determined as if any financial assets held by the Board were held by the Board in its own right.
9 <b>84C B</b>	oard must not have a significant stake in a foreign listed company
11 12	(1) The Board must take all reasonable steps to ensure that it does not hold a stake in a foreign listed company of more than 20%.
13	Stake
14 15 16 17	<ul> <li>(2) The <i>Financial Sector (Shareholdings) Act 1998</i> applies for the purposes of determining the Board's stake in a foreign listed company, with the following modifications:</li> <li>(a) assume that the Board does not have any associates;</li> </ul>
18 19 20 21	<ul> <li>(b) assume that any financial assets held by the Board were held by the Board in its own right;</li> <li>(c) disregard paragraph 8(1)(c) of Schedule 1 to that Act;</li> <li>(d) the modification set out in subsection (3).</li> </ul>
22 23 24 25 26	<ul> <li>(3) For the purposes of determining the Board's stake in a foreign listed company, if, under a securities lending arrangement:</li> <li>(a) at a particular time (the <i>disposal time</i>), the Board disposed of a financial asset (the <i>borrowed financial asset</i>) to another person (the <i>borrower</i>); and</li> </ul>
27 28 29	<ul> <li>(b) the Board may come under an obligation to:</li> <li>(i) re-acquire the borrowed financial asset from the borrower at a later time; or</li> </ul>
30 31 32 33	<ul><li>(ii) acquire an identical financial asset from the borrower at a later time;</li><li>the borrowed financial asset is taken to be held by the Board during the period:</li></ul>
34	(c) beginning at the disposal time; and

	(d) ending when the obligation mentioned in paragraph (b) is discharged or can no longer arise.
	Validity of transactions
	(4) A failure to comply with subsection (1) does not affect the validity of any transaction.
69	After subclause 8(1) of Schedule 1
	Insert:
	(1A) A direction under subclause (1) in relation to financial assets must not direct the Board in relation to the investment of an amount credited to the Fund Account in respect of:
	(a) income derived from the financial assets; or
	(b) a return of capital, or any other financial distribution, relating to the financial assets; or
	(c) the proceeds of the realisation of the financial assets.
	Note: For directions about the investment of amounts standing to the credit of the Fund Account, see section 18 (Future Fund Investment Mandate).
70	Clause 2 of Schedule 2
	Before "The", insert "(1)".
Note:	The following heading to new subclause 2(1) is inserted "Superannuation purposes and purposes related exclusively to the Fund".
71	Clause 2 of Schedule 2
	Omit "The purposes of the Fund Account are as follows", substitute "Each of the following is a purpose of the Fund Account".
72	Paragraphs 2(c) to (m) of Schedule 2
	Repeal the paragraphs, substitute:
	<ul><li>(c) paying the costs of, or incidental to, the acquisition of financial assets under section 16;</li></ul>
	(d) paying expenses of an investment of the Fund;
	<ul><li>(e) paying the costs of, or incidental to, the acquisition of derivatives under section 25;</li></ul>
	(f) paying or discharging the costs, expenses and other

1 2		the Board and an investment manager engaged under subsection 28(1);
3 4 5 6	(g)	paying or discharging the costs, expenses and other obligations incurred in connection with the establishment, maintenance or operation of a bank account of the Board, where the bank account relates exclusively to the Fund;
7 8 9	(h)	paying a premium in respect of a contract of insurance entered into by the Board exclusively in connection with the Fund;
10 11 12	(i)	paying or discharging any other costs, expenses, obligations or liabilities incurred by the Board exclusively in connection with the Fund.
13 <b>7</b>	3 At the end	of clause 2 of Schedule 2 (after the notes)
14	Add:	
15	Purp	oses not related exclusively to the Fund
16	(2) Each	of the following is a purpose of the Fund Account:
17	(a)	paying or discharging the costs, expenses and other
18		obligations incurred in connection with the establishment,
19 20		maintenance or operation of a bank account of the Board, where those costs, expenses or obligations are not covered
20 21		by:
22		(i) paragraph (1)(g); or
23 24		<ul> <li>(i) paragraph (e)(g), of the Higher Education Endowment Fund Act 2007;</li> </ul>
25	(b)	paying a premium in respect of a contract of insurance
26		entered into by the Board, where the premium is not covered
27		by:
28		(i) paragraph (1)(h); or
29		(ii) paragraph $16(1)(h)$ of the <i>Higher Education Endowment</i>
30		Fund Act 2007;
31 32	(C)	paying or discharging any other costs, expenses, obligations or liabilities incurred by the Board, where the costs,
32 33		expenses, obligations or liabilities are not covered by:
34		(i) a paragraph of subclause (1); or
35		(ii) a paragraph of subsection 16(1) of the <i>Higher Education</i>
36		Endowment Fund Act 2007;
37	(d)	paying remuneration and allowances of Board members;

1				ner employment-related costs
2			and expenses, in respect of m Agency;	nembers of the staff of the
3			• •	ate expanses and other
4 5			paying or discharging the cos obligations incurred by the C	Commonwealth under a contract
6			entered into under section 78	
7			paying or discharging the cos	
8 9			obligations incurred by the C with the establishment or ope	Commonwealth in connection eration of the Agency.
10 11		Note:	See section 21 of the <i>Financia</i> 1997 (debits from Special Acc	l Management and Accountability Act ounts).
12	74 Cla	use 3 of	Schedule 2	
13	(	$\mathbf{D}$ mit "2(a)	", substitute "2(1)(a)".	
10		2(w)	, 500500000 -(1)(0)	
14	Incom	e Tax As	ssessment Act 1997	
15	75 Sub	osectior	30-25(2) (at the end o	f the table)
16	A	Add:		
	2.2.35	the High	er Education Endowment Fund	the gift must be in money
17	76 At t	he end	of section 30-25	
18	A	Add:		
19		(3) A gift	is made to the Higher Educa	tion Endowment Fund if, and
20		only i	f, the gift is made to the Futu	re Fund Board of Guardians for
21		the pu	rposes of the Higher Educati	on Endowment Fund.
22	77 Sub	osectior	30-315(2) (after table	item 56)
23	Ι	nsert:		
	56A	Higher <b>E</b>	Education Endowment Fund	item 2.2.35

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2	Pa	rt 2—Transitional and application provisions
3	78	Transitional—Investment Mandate
4	(1)	This item applies to a direction that:
5 6		(a) was given under subsection 18(1) of the <i>Future Fund Act</i> 2006; and
7 8		(b) was in force immediately before the commencement of this item.
9 10 11	(2)	The amendments of subsections 18(1), (3), (6), (10) and (12) of the <i>Future Fund Act 2006</i> made by this Schedule do not affect the continuity of the direction.
12	79	Transitional—borrowings
13	(1)	This item applies to a borrowing that:
14		(a) was authorised under subsection 23(2) or (3) of the <i>Future</i> <i>Fund Act 2006</i> ; and
15 16 17		<ul><li>(b) was in existence immediately before the commencement of this item.</li></ul>
18 19 20	(2)	The <i>Future Fund Act 2006</i> has effect, after the commencement of this item, as if the borrowing had been authorised under subsection 23(2) or (3), as the case requires, of that Act as amended by this Schedule.
21	80	Transitional—investment policies
22	(1)	This item applies to policies that:
23		(a) were formulated under subsection 24(1) of the <i>Future Fund</i>
24 25		Act 2006; and (b) were in force immediately before the commencement of this
26		item.
27 28 29	(2)	The policies have effect, after the commencement of this item, as if they had been formulated under subsection 24(1) of the <i>Future Fund Act 2006</i> as amended by this Schedule.
30	81	Transitional—derivatives
31	(1)	This item applies to a derivative that:

	(a) was acquired under subsection 25(1) of the <i>Future Fund Act</i> 2006; and
	(b) was held by the Board immediately before the
	commencement of this item.
(2)	The Future Fund Act 2006 has effect, after the commencement of this
	item, as if the derivative had been acquired under subsection 25(1) of that Act as amended by this Schedule.
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82	Transitional—securities lending arrangements
(1)	This item applies to a securities lending arrangement that:
	(a) was entered into under subsection 27(1) of the <i>Future Fund</i>
	<i>Act 2006</i> ; and
	(b) was in force immediately before the commencement of this
	item.
(2)	The Future Fund Act 2006 has effect, after the commencement of this
	item, as if the securities lending arrangement had been entered into
	under subsection 27(1) of that Act as amended by this Schedule.
83	Transitional—investment managers
(1)	This item applies to an engagement of an investment manager if the
	engagement:
	(a) was made under subsection 28(1) of the <i>Future Fund Act</i>
	2006; and (b) was in force immediately before the commencement of this
	(b) was in force immediately before the commencement of this item.
(2)	The engagement has effect, after the commencement of this item, as if it
	had been made under subsection 28(1) of the Future Fund Act 2006 as
	amended by this Schedule.
84	Application of amendments—directions under subsection
	18(1) of the Future Fund Act 2006
	The amendments made by items 19, 21 and 26 apply in relation to a
	direction under subsection 18(1) of the Future Fund Act 2006 that is
	given after the commencement of this item.
	Application of amendment—directions under subclause
85	8(1) of Schedule 1 to the <i>Future Fund Act 2006</i>

1The amendment made by item 69 applies in relation to a direction under2subclause 8(1) of Schedule 1 to the *Future Fund Act 2006* that is given3after the commencement of this item.

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