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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Presented and read a first time, 21 August 1985

(*Treasurer*)

**A BILL**

FOR

**An Act to amend the *Census and Statistics Act 1905***

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

**Short title, &c.**

5     **1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the *Census and Statistics Amendment Act 1985*.

      (2) The *Census and Statistics Act 1905*<sup>1</sup> is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

**2** After section 1 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

**Application to external Territories**

10     “2. This Act, other than Part III, extends to such external Territories as are prescribed.”.

**Refusal or failure to answer questions, &c.**

**3.** Section 14 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (2) and substituting the following sub-section:

“(2) Sub-section (1) does not apply in relation to a refusal or failure by a person to answer a question, or to supply particulars, relating to the person’s religious beliefs.”.

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**NOTE**

1. No. 15, 1905, as amended. For previous amendments, see No. 33, 1920; No. 18, 1930; No. 17, 1938; No. 74, 1946; No. 34, 1949; No. 93, 1966; No. 216, 1973; No. 15, 1977; and Nos. 48 and 177, 1981.