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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Presented and read a first time, 29 February 1984

(Minister for Primary Industry)

A BILL

FOR

An Act to impose a charge upon certain fresh vegetables

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

Short title

5 **1.** This Act may be cited as the *Fresh Vegetables (Export Inspection Charge) Act 1984*.

Commencement

2. This Act shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by Proclamation.

Collection Act

10 **3.** The *Fresh Vegetables (Export Inspection Charge) Collection Act 1984* is incorporated, and shall be read as one, with this Act.

Interpretation

4. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears, "charge" means the charge imposed by this Act.

Imposition of charge

5. (1) Subject to sub-section (2), a charge is imposed on fresh vegetables in respect of which an export permit has been granted.

(2) Sub-section (1) does not apply to fresh vegetables, or fresh vegetables included in a class of fresh vegetables, that are exempt from the charge under the regulations. - 5

Rates of charge

6. (1) Subject to this section, the rate of charge in respect of fresh vegetables is such rate as is applicable under the regulations to the class of fresh vegetables in which those fresh vegetables are included. 10

(2) For the purposes of sub-section (1), different rates of charge may be prescribed in respect of different classes of fresh vegetables.

(3) The rate of charge in respect of fresh vegetables in respect of which an export permit has been granted shall not exceed the sum of—

- (a) \$20; and - 15
- (b) 18 cents per package of vegetables.

(4) A reference in this section to a package of vegetables is a reference—

- (a) in a case to which paragraph (b) does not apply—to the package that most immediately encloses the vegetables, including, in the case of vegetables packed upon trays or in individual cells, the package that most immediately encloses those trays or cells; or 20

(b) if the vegetables are included in a class of vegetables specified in the regulations—

- (i) to a container or containers of vegetables;
- (ii) to a mass of vegetables; - 25
- (iii) to a volume of vegetables; or
- (iv) to a quantity of vegetables,

that, in accordance with the regulations, is to be treated as the equivalent of a package of vegetables.

By whom charge payable - 30

7. The charge on fresh vegetables in respect of which an export permit has been granted is payable by the exporter of the fresh vegetables.

Regulations

8. The Governor-General may make regulations for the purposes of sections 5 and 6. - 35