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[Assented to 11 November 1999]

#### The Parliament of Australia enacts:

#### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Appropriation (Supplementary* Measures) Act (No. 1) 1999.

#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

#### 3 Appropriation

The Consolidated Revenue Fund is appropriated, for the purposes referred to in the second column of an item in the table:

- (a) in respect of the financial year starting on 1 July 2000—by the amount referred to in the third column of that item; and
- (b) in respect of the financial year starting on 1 July 2001—by the amount referred to in the fourth column of that item; and
- (c) in respect of the financial year starting on 1 July 2002—by the amount referred to in the fifth column of that item; and
- (d) in respect of the financial year starting on 1 July 2003—by the amount referred to in the sixth column of that item.

Amounts appropriated							
	Purpose	Financial years					
		2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04		
		(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)		
1	Book industry assistance plan	60	60	60	60		
2	Supported Accommodation Assistance Program	15	15	15	15		
	Total	75	75	75	75		

#### 4 Book industry assistance plan

- (1) For the purposes of this Act, the *book industry assistance plan* is a plan that:
  - (a) has all of the following objectives:
    - (i) to provide financial assistance to persons who produce books in Australia;
    - (ii) to provide financial assistance to Australian creators of books;
    - (iii) to provide financial assistance to retail sellers of textbooks in Australia in connection with reducing the retail price paid for textbooks by students (or by the parents or guardians of students), where the retail sales

- of the textbooks are subject to GST and the textbooks are for use in connection with studies at an Australian educational institution; and
- (b) may have any or all of the following additional objectives:
  - (i) to provide financial assistance to libraries of Australian primary schools in connection with the acquisition of books of Australian authors or books produced in Australia;
  - (ii) to support the collection, compilation and dissemination of statistical information about book production, and book sales, in Australia;
  - (iii) to support the promotion, in Australia, of the intrinsic value of books and reading;
  - (iv) to support the promotion, in Australia, of literacy;
  - (v) to support the promotion, in Australia or elsewhere, of the books of Australian authors;
  - (vi) to support the training of individuals in Australia who are involved in the production of books in Australia;
  - (vii) to support innovation, and infrastructure development, in connection with book production activities in Australia;
  - (viii) an objective specified in the regulations;
  - (ix) an objective that is ancillary or incidental to an objective referred to in paragraph (a) or a preceding subparagraph of this paragraph.
- (2) Subparagraph (1)(b)(viii) is not limited by:
  - (a) a subparagraph of paragraph (1)(a); or
  - (b) any other subparagraph of paragraph (1)(b).
- (3) The Governor-General may make regulations for the purposes of subparagraph (1)(b)(viii).
- (4) In this section:

*Australia*, when used in a geographical sense, includes all the external Territories.

Australian author means an author who:

- (a) is an Australian citizen, wherever resident; or
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Australia.

*Australian creator*, in relation to a book, means a creator of the book who:

- (a) is an Australian citizen, wherever resident; or
- (b) is ordinarily resident in Australia.

#### Australian educational institution means:

- (a) an Australian primary school; or
- (b) an education institution (within the meaning of the *Student Assistance Act 1973*).

**Australian primary school** means a school that is recognised as a primary school under a law of a State or Territory.

creating, in relation to a book, means:

- (a) authoring the book; or
- (b) illustrating the book; or
- (c) editing the book; or
- (d) compiling the book; or
- (e) translating the book.

**GST** has the same meaning as in the A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999.

*producing*, in relation to a book, means printing or publishing the book.

*retail sale* includes a sale by an Australian educational institution to a student of the institution (or to a parent or guardian of such a student), and *retail price* has a corresponding meaning.

#### 5 Supported Accommodation Assistance Program

Money appropriated by this Act for the purposes of the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program is taken to be appropriated for the purposes of the *Supported Accommodation Assistance Act* 1994.

#### 6 Grants

- (1) An amount appropriated under this Act for the purposes of the book industry assistance plan may be applied in making a grant of financial assistance to:
  - (a) a State; or
  - (b) a person, or a body, other than a State.

This subsection does not limit the ways in which amounts appropriated under this Act may be applied.

- (2) A grant of financial assistance to a State must be made on such terms and conditions as are set out in a written agreement between the Commonwealth and the State.
- (3) A grant of financial assistance to a person, or a body, other than a State must be made on such terms and conditions as are set out in a written agreement between the Commonwealth and the person or body.
- (4) An agreement under subsection (2) or (3) may be entered into by any Minister on behalf of the Commonwealth.
- (5) This Act does not prevent a grant under the book industry assistance plan from being a grant by way of bounty.
- (6) Any bounty under the book industry assistance plan must be uniform throughout the Commonwealth within the meaning of paragraph 51(iii) of the Constitution.
- (7) In this section:

**bounty** means bounty to which paragraph 51(iii) of the Constitution applies.

*State* includes the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory.

#### 7 Delegation

- (1) A Minister may, by writing, delegate to:
  - (a) a Secretary to a Department; or

- (b) a person who is appointed by the Governor-General under section 67 of the Constitution; or
- (c) a person holding or performing the duties of a Senior Executive Service office (within the meaning of the *Public Service Act 1922*); or
- (d) an SES employee or acting SES employee; all or any of the powers conferred on that Minister by section 6.
- (2) The delegate is, in the exercise of the power delegated under subsection (1), subject to the directions of the Minister concerned.

# 8 Appropriations made by this Act are in addition to other appropriations

The appropriations made by this Act are in addition to appropriations made by any other Act.

#### 9 Schedule(s)

Each Act 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—Amendment of the A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999

#### 1 Subsection 1-2(2)

Repeal the subsection.

[Minister's second reading speech made in— House of Representatives on 26 August 1999 Senate on 2 September 1999]

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