



# **Migration (Visa Application) Charge Amendment Act 2003**

**No. 6, 2003**

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Charge Act 1997*, and for related purposes**

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## **An Act to amend the *Migration (Visa Application) Charge Act 1997*, and for related purposes**

[Assented to 19 March 2003]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

### **1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Migration (Visa Application) Charge  
Amendment Act 2003*.

### **2 Commencement**

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

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### **3 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Each Act that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.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—Migration (Visa Application) Charge Act 1997**

### **1 After section 3**

Insert:

#### **3A Definitions**

In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears:

*contributory parent visa* means a permanent or temporary visa included in a class of visas under regulations made under the *Migration Act 1958*, being a class that has the words “contributory parent” or “contributory aged parent” in its title.

*Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index* means the Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index, expressed as a percentage, published by the Australian Government Actuary for a financial year.

### **2 At the end of subsection 5(1)**

Add “, unless the visa application is for a contributory parent visa”.

Note: The heading to section 5 is altered by adding “—**most visas**” at the end.

### **3 At the end of the Act**

Add:

### **6 The visa application charge limit—contributory parent visas**

*Financial year beginning 1 July 2002*

- (1) The charge limit in relation to a visa application for a contributory parent visa made during the financial year beginning on 1 July 2002 is \$26,745.

*Later financial years*

- (2) The charge limit for a later financial year is the amount worked out under subsection (3) or (5), depending on the amount of the

Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index for the later financial year.

*Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index more than zero*

- (3) If the Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index for the later financial year is more than zero, the charge limit for that financial year is the amount worked out using the following formula, then rounded under subsection (4):

$$\text{Previous charge limit} \times \left( 1 + \frac{\text{Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index}}{100\%} \right)$$

where:

***previous charge limit*** means the charge limit for the financial year before the later financial year.

- (4) If an amount worked out under the formula in subsection (3) is not a multiple of \$5, the amount is to be rounded as follows:
- (a) if the amount exceeds the nearest lower multiple of \$5 by \$2.50 or more—round the amount up to the nearest higher multiple of \$5;
  - (b) in any other case—round the amount down to the nearest lower multiple of \$5.

*Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index zero or less*

- (5) If the Contributory Parent Visa Composite Index for the later financial year is zero or less, the charge limit for the later financial year is the same as the charge limit for the financial year before the later financial year.



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*[Minister's second reading speech made in—  
House of Representatives on 5 December 2002  
Senate on 3 March 2003]*

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