STATES GRANTS ACT 1975

No. 112 of 1975

An Act to amend the States Grants Act 1973-1974.

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

**Short title and citation.**

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the States Grants Act 1975.

(2) The States Grants Act 1973-1974 is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

(3) The Principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the States Grants Act 1973-1975.

**Commencement.**

**2.** This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

**Grants to States.**

**3.** Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting from sub-section (1) the words “sub-sections (3) and (4) and to sections 6a and 7” and substituting the words “this section and section 7”; and

(b) by adding the following sub-sections at the end thereof:—

“(5) For the purpose of ascertaining the amount of the grant to be paid under this section to South Australia during the year commencing on 1 July 1975 and during each succeeding year, the amount of the grant paid to that State under this section during the year that commenced on 1 July 1974 shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the sum of the amount so paid and $21,000,000.

“(6) For the purpose of ascertaining the amount of the grant to be paid under this section to Western Australia during the year commencing on 1 July 1975 and during each succeeding year, the amount of the grant paid to that State under this section during the year that commenced on 1 July 1974 shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the sum of the amount so paid and $5,000,000.

“(7) For the purpose of ascertaining the amount of the grant to be paid under this section to Tasmania during the year commencing on 1 July 1975 and during each succeeding year, the amount of the grant paid to that State under this section during the year that commenced on 1 July 1974 shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the sum of the amount so paid and $4,300,000.

“(8) For the purpose of ascertaining the amount of the grant to be paid under this section to a State during the year commencing on 1 July 1976 and during each succeeding year, this section has effect as if the reference in paragraph (1)(c) to 1.8 per centum were a reference to 3 per centum.

**4.** Sections 6a, 7, 8 and 9 of the Principal Act are repealed and the following section substituted:—

**Additional grants to States.**

“7. (1) In addition to the grants payable to the States under section 6 during the year commencing on 1 July 1975, there is payable to each of the States during that year an amount that bears to $220,000,000 the same proportion as the sum of the amounts that are payable to that State during that year under that section bears to the sum of the amounts that are payable to all the States during that year under that section.

“(2) For the purpose of ascertaining the amount of the grant to be paid to a State under section 6 during the year commencing on 1 July 1976.and during each succeeding year, the amount of the grant paid to that State under that section during the year that commenced on 1 July 1975 shall be deemed to be an amount equal to the sum of the amount so paid to that State and the amount paid to that State under sub-section (1) of this section.”.

**Review of grants.**

**5.** Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from sub-section (1) the words “a year subsequent to the year ending on 30th June, 1975,” and substituting the words “a year subsequent to the year ending on 30 June 1980”.