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[Assented to 30 June 1997]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *National Residue Survey (Ratite Slaughter) Levy Act 1997*.

Section 2

2 Commencement

This Act commences on 1 July 1997.

3 Act binds Crown

This Act binds the Crown in right of each of the States, of the Australian Capital Territory, of the Northern Territory and of Norfolk Island.

4 Interpretation

(1) In this Act:

ratite means an emu, ostrich, cassowary, kiwi or rhea.

(2) Unless the contrary intention appears, a word or expression has the same meaning in this Act as it has in the *Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991*.

5 Imposition

(1) Subject to subsection (2), National Residue Survey Levy is imposed on the slaughter at an abattoir of ratites intended for human consumption.

(2) Levy is not imposed on the slaughter of ratites the carcasses of which are, under a law of the Commonwealth, of a State or of a Territory, condemned or rejected by an inspector as being unfit for human consumption.

6 Rate of levy

(1) The rate of levy imposed in respect of emus is 75 cents per head or such other rate, not exceeding \$5.00 per head, as is prescribed by regulation.

(2) The rates of levy imposed in respect of ratites other than emus are such respective rates, not exceeding \$5.00 per head, as are prescribed by regulation.

7 Who pays the levy

The levy is payable by the person who owns the ratites when the slaughter takes place.

8 Regulations

The Governor-General may make regulations prescribing any matters dealing with the imposition of the levy that:

- (a) are required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed; or
 - (b) are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.
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*[Minister's second reading speech made in—
House of Representatives on 26 March 1997
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