

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CHARGES ACT 1924

DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CHARGES REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

The Dried Fruits Export Charges Act provides for a charge to be imposed on all currants, sultanas and raisins exported from Australia. The purpose of the charge is to fund the operation of the Australian Dried Fruits Corporation. The maximum rate of charge set by the Act is \$15 per tonne.

The Minister has accepted the report of the Australian Dried Fruits Corporation to increase the rate of charge and these Statutory Rules increase the rate of charge from its present operative rate of \$10 per tonne to \$15 per tonne from 1 July 1986. The Australian Dried Fruits Association supports the increase.

The additional funds raised will enable an increase in the level of expenditure on promotion in overseas markets.

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