

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CHARGES ACT 1924

DRIED FRUITS EXPORT CHARGES REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

The Dried Fruits Export Charges Act 1924 provides for a charge to be imposed on all dried currants, dried sultanas and dried raisins exported from Australia.

The purpose of the charge is to provide funds for the operation of the Australian Dried Fruits Corporation. The maximum rate of charge set out by the Act is \$30 per tonne.

The Corporation has sought an increase in the operative rate of charge from \$20 per tonne to \$22 per tonne in order to maintain an effective promotional program for Australian dried fruits in overseas markets. The increase is supported by the producers' organisation, the Australian Dried Fruits Association.

These Statutory Rules give effect to the increase in the operative rate of charge to \$22 per tonne as from 1 January 1989.

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