EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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HONEY LEVY COLLECTION ACT 1962

HONEY LEVY COLLECTION REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

Section 13 of the <u>Honey Levy Collection Act 1962</u> (the Act) provides that the <u>Governor-General may make regulations</u>, not inconsistent with the Act, prescribing all matters required or permitted by the Act to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to the Act or facilitating the collection or recovery of amounts of levy or other moneys payable to the Commonwealth under the Act.

The Act was amended by the <u>Honey Levy Legislation Amendment Act</u> 1985 (the Amendment Act) to eliminate the need for lodgement of monthly returns by honey producers who sell honey other than to or through a dealer, or use honey in the production of other goods, and instead require annual returns to be lodged on or before 28 February next following the year in which honey was so sold or used. The Amendment Act also expressed exemption limits under the Honey Levy Acts Nos 1 and 2 1962 in annual terms for such producers whilst retaining existing provisions for submission of returns by persons other than producers.

As a result of these changes, to take effect on 1 January 1986, the Honey levy Collection Regulations are being amended to implement operative arrangements.

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