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[Assented to 19 March 2015]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

#### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Export Finance and Insurance* Corporation Amendment (Direct Lending and Other Measures) Act 2015.

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#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day after this Act receives the Royal Assent.

#### 3 Schedules

Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

# Schedule 1—Direct Lending

### Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Act 1991

#### 1 Before subsection 3(2)

Insert:

Loans and lending of money

#### 2 Before subsection 3(3)

Insert:

Eligible export transactions

#### 3 Paragraphs 3(3)(a), (b), (c) and (d)

Omit "capital goods" (wherever occurring), substitute "goods".

#### 4 Subsection 3(4)

Repeal the subsection.

#### 5 Before subsection 3(5)

Insert:

Australian export trade

#### 6 Application provision

The amendments made by items 3 and 4 of this Schedule apply in relation to a transaction entered into, or proposed to be entered into, on or after the commencement of this Schedule.

#### 7 Transitional provision

The amendments made by this Schedule do not affect the continuity of any of the following that were in force immediately before the commencement of this Schedule:

(a) directions given under subsection 9(2), 26(1), or section 29, of the *Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Act 1991*;

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- (b) approvals (with or without conditions) given under section 27 of that Act;
- (c) principles determined under subsection 67(1) of that Act.

# Schedule 2—Competitive neutrality

### Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Act 1991

#### 1 Subsections 61A(1) and 62A(1)

Omit "in respect of short-term insurance contracts entered into by EFIC".

#### 2 Subsection 63A(2)

Omit "over other insurers because of the operation of section 63 in relation to its short-term insurance contracts", substitute ", because of the operation of section 63, over other persons or bodies who provide insurance or financial services or products that EFIC may provide".

#### 3 Subsection 63A(3)

Omit "in relation to its short-term insurance contracts".

#### 4 Application provision

The amendments made by items 2 and 3 of this Schedule apply in respect of the tax-equivalent payment to be made in respect of each financial year starting on or after the commencement of this Schedule.

#### 5 Transitional provision

The amendments made by this Schedule do not affect the continuity of any of the following that were in force immediately before the commencement of this Schedule:

- (a) arrangements under section 61A or 62A of the *Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Act 1991*;
- (b) determinations under subsection 63A(2) of that Act.

[Minister's second reading speech made in— House of Representatives on 22 October 2014 Senate on 27 November 2014]

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