

Quarantine Charges (Imposition—Customs) Amendment Act 2015

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[*Assented to 26 May 2015*]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Quarantine Charges (Imposition—Customs) Amendment Act 2015*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. Sections 1 to 3 and anything in this Act not elsewhere covered by this table | The day this Act receives the Royal Assent. | 26 May 2015 |
| 2. Schedule 1 | At the same time as section 3 of the *Biosecurity Act 2015* commences. | 16 June 2016 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this Act.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

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Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.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

Quarantine Charges (Imposition—Customs) Act 2014

1 Title

Omit “***Quarantine Act 1908***”, substitute “***Biosecurity Act 2015***”.

2 Section 1

Omit “*Quarantine Charges (Imposition—Customs) Act 2014*”, substitute “*Biosecurity Charges Imposition (Customs) Act 2015*”.

Note: This item amends the short title of the Act. If another amendment of the Act is described by reference to the Act’s previous short title, that other amendment has effect after the commencement of this item as an amendment of the Act under its amended short title (see section 10 of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*).

3 Section 5

Repeal the section, substitute:

5 Extraterritorial application

This Act extends to acts, omissions, matters and things outside:

(a) Australia and any external Territory to which a provision of this Act extends; and

(b) the airspace over an area covered by paragraph (a); and

(c) the coastal sea (as defined in subsection 15B(4) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*) of Australia and of any external Territory to which a provision of this Act extends.

Note: Under section 4:

(a) all provisions of this Act extend to the Territory of Christmas Island and the Territory of Cocos (Keeling) Islands; and

(b) a regulation may extend any or all provisions of this Act to one or more other external Territories.

4 Section 7

Repeal the section, substitute:

7 Imposition of charges

(1) A regulation may prescribe a charge in relation to a prescribed matter connected with the administration of the *Biosecurity Act 2015*.

(2) The charges prescribed under subsection (1) are imposed as taxes.

(3) Two or more charges may be prescribed in relation to the same matter, and a single charge may be prescribed in relation to 2 or more matters.

(4) This section imposes a charge only so far as that charge is a duty of customs within the meaning of section 55 of the Constitution.

5 Section 9

Repeal the section.

6 Part 3

Repeal the Part.

[*Minister’s second reading speech made in—*

*House of Representatives on 27 November 2014*

*Senate on 10 February 2015*]

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