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[Assented to 23 November 2016]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

1 Short title

This Act is the *Narcotic Drugs (Licence Charges) Act 2016*.

Section 2

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		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. Sections 1 and 2 and anything in this Act not elsewhere covered by this table	The day this Act receives the Royal Assent.	23 November 2016
2. Sections 3 to 9	The later of: (a) immediately after the commencement of Schedule 1 to the <i>Narcotic Drugs Amendment Act 2016</i> ; and (b) the start of the day this Act receives the Royal Assent.	23 November 2016 (paragraph (b) applies)

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally enacted.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 Definitions

In this Act:

charge means charge imposed by this Act.

licence means a licence granted under the *Narcotic Drugs Act 1967*.

4 Crown to be bound

This Act binds the Crown in each of its capacities. However, it does not bind the Crown in right of the Commonwealth.

5 Extension to external Territories

This Act extends to every external Territory.

6 Imposition of charge

- (1) Charge is imposed on a licence that is in force at whichever of the following times is applicable:
 - (a) any time during a financial year;
 - (b) any time during such other period as is prescribed by the regulations.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the regulations may prescribe different periods in relation to the following:
 - (a) different classes of licence;
 - (b) licences of the same class that authorise different activities.

7 By whom charge payable

Charge imposed on a licence is payable by the holder of the licence.

8 Amount of charge

- (1) The amount of the charge for a period is such amount as is prescribed by the regulations.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the regulations may prescribe different charges in relation to the following:
 - (a) different classes of licence;
 - (b) licences of the same class that authorise different activities.
- (3) In this section:
amount includes a nil amount.

9 Regulations

The Governor-General may make regulations prescribing matters:

- (a) required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed; or
- (b) necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.

*[Minister's second reading speech made in—
House of Representatives on 14 September 2016
Senate on 8 November 2016]*

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