## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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## MEAT EXPORT CHARGE ACT 1984

The Meat Export Charge Act 1984 provides for the imposition of charges on the export from Australia of meat that is intended for human consumption. This charge will complement the charge imposed on the slaughter of animals at abattoirs used for the carrying on of operations in connection with the slaughter and dressing of animals from which meat for export is obtained under the Live-stock Slaughter (Export Inspection Charge) Act 1979 and the Live-stock Slaughter (Export Inspection Charge) Collection Act 1979.

The <u>Meat Export Charge Act 1984</u> provides for charges to be imposed on the making of applications for the -

. grant of export permits pursuant to regulations or orders made under section 7 of the Export Control Act 1982, and

issue of certificates under section 23 of that Act in relation to the import from Australia into another country of meat that is, or meat products that are, intended for human consumption.

The Meat Export Charge Regulations prescribe matters -

- . required or permitted by the Act to be prescribed, or
- necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to the Act,

that are not inconsistent with the Act.