

Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 1) 1999 No. 89

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

STATUTORY RULES 1999 NO. 89

Issued by the Authority of the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs

Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Act 1997

Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 1)

Section 8 of the *Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Act 1997* provides that the Governor-General may make regulations for the purposes of section 6 which deals with the amount of the registration application charge.

In addition, regulations may be made pursuant to the following powers:

- section 4 of the Act provides that a charge is imposed on an individual's making of a registration application on or after 21 March 1998; and
- subsection 6(1) of the Act provides that the amount of charge payable on an individual's making of a registration application is the amount prescribed by the regulations for an individual of that kind.

The purpose of the Regulations is to amend the *Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Regulations 1998* to provide for the annual indexation of specified fees.

Details of the Regulations are as follows.

Regulation 1 - Name of regulations

This regulation provides that these regulations are the *Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment Regulations 1999 (No. 1)*.

Regulation 2 - Commencement

This regulation provides that these regulations commence on 1 July 1999.

Regulation 3 - Amendment of *Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Regulations 1998*

This regulation provides that the *Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Regulations 1998* are amended as set out in Schedule 1 to these regulations.

Schedule 1 - Amendments

Item 1 - Subparagraph 3(1)(a)(ii)

This item amends subparagraph 3(1)(a)(ii) to provide for the annual indexation of the charge for a registration application made on or after 21 March 1999. The charge is increased from \$ 1,000 to \$ 1,010.

Item 2 - Subparagraph 3(1)(a)(iii)

This item amends subparagraph 3(1)(a)(iii) to provide for the annual indexation of the charge for an application for repeat registration made on or after 21 March 1999. The charge is increased from \$800 to \$810.

The Regulations commence on 1 July 1999.