Honey Export Charge Amendment Bill 1988

Date Introduced: 23 March 1988  
House: House of Representatives  
Presented by: The Hon. John Kerin, M.P., Minister for Primary Industries and Energy

Digest of Bill

Purpose
To require the Australian Honey Board (the Board) to consult with producers' and packers' organisations, and to have their agreement, before making a recommendation, as to the operative rate of the honey export charge.

Background
The Honey Export Charge Collection Act 1973 (the Principal Act) imposes a levy on honey exported from Australia.

Also refer to the Digests for the Honey Marketing Board Bill 1988 and the Honey Levy (No. 1) Amendment Bill 1988

Main Provisions
Clause 3 will amend section 4 of the Principal Act to insert some new definitions. 'Producers organisation' is defined to be the Federal Council of Australian Apiarists' Associations or such other body as prescribed. Similarly, 'packers' organisation' will be the Honey Packers Association of Australia or such other body as prescribed.

A new sub-section 7(2A) will be inserted into the Principal Act by clause 4. The proposed sub-section will require the Board to consult with the producers' and packers' organisations, and have the agreement of these organisations, before making a recommendation to the Minister as to the operative rate of the export levy.

For further information, if required, contact the Economics and Commerce Group.

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