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STATES GRANTS (TERTIARY EDUCATION ASSISTANCE)
AMENDMENT BILL 1985

Date Introduced: 9 May 1985
House: House of Representatives
Presented by: Hon. John Dawkins, M.P., Minister Representing the Minister for Education

Short Digest of Bill

Purpose

To amend the States Grants (Tertiary Education Assistance) Act 1984 (the Principal Act) to adjust grants for cost increases.

Background

Funding is made available to the States and Northern Territory under the Principal Act for Universities, Colleges of Advanced Education and Technical and Further Education systems. The Principal Act provides for recurrent and capital and equipment grants, which are based on the Commonwealth Tertiary Education Commissions programs for the 1985 to 1987 triennium.

The funding arrangements provide for retrospective supplementary grants for cost increases in the programs. This Bill will adjust grants for the 1985, 1986 and 1987 programs by:

- supplementing recurrent grants to reflect estimated June 1985 cost levels;
- supplementing capital and equipment grants to reflect December quarter 1984 price levels.

The Bill makes $219.58m available, comprising $60.43m for 1985 programs, $79.226m for 1986 programs and $79.924m for 1987 programs.
Main Provisions

Clause 15 substitutes Schedules 1-23 with new Schedules containing the supplemented grants.

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