FISHERIES LICENCES LEVY BILL 1984

Date Introduced: 13 September 1984
House: House of Representatives
Presented by: Hon. J.C. Kerin, M.P., Minister for Primary Industry

Short Digest of Bill

Purpose

To provide basic authority for imposing a levy on Australian boats to raise revenue to support fisheries management measures and costs of associated research for the management of fisheries.

Background

See Fishing Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1984.

Outline

In conjunction with the Fishing Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 1984, this Bill provides a framework to enable the collection of levy. The amount of levy is to be specified in or calculated in accordance with the relevant regulations and may be different for different classes of licences, endorsement or entries.

Main Provisions

Clause 5 provides for the imposition of levy on boat licences and endorsement of boat licences under the Fisheries Act 1952 and on boat licences, renewals of boat licences and entries in boat licences under the Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984.

Clause 6 provides that regulations will determine the amount of levy for different classes of licences, renewals, endorsements or entries.

Clause 7 provides that the holder of the licence is liable to pay the levy at the time of the grant or renewal of the licence or the making of the endorsement or entry in the licence.

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