AUSTRALIAN MEAT AND LIVE-STOCK CORPORATION AMENDMENT BILL 1979

Date Introduced: 29 May 1979
House: House of Representatives

Purpose

To authorise payment to the Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation of the proceeds of that component of the proposed levy on calf slaughter intended for administration of the A.M.L.C.

Background

The accompanying Live-stock Slaughter Levy Amendment Bill 1979 introduces a levy on the slaughter of calves, paralleling existing levies on the slaughter of cattle, buffaloes, sheep, lambs and goats under the Livestock Slaughter Levy Act 1964. The levy on each class of animal under the latter Act consists of several components, each allocated to a different purpose. For example, the levy on cattle consists of four components under paras. 6 (1) (a), (b) (c) and (d), to be allocated respectively to (a) the administration and promotion activities of the A.M.L.C., (b) meat research, (c) meat processing research, and (d) disease eradication. Section 34 of the Australian Meat and Live-stock Corporation Act 1977 authorises the payment to the A.M.L.C. of the proceeds of the first component (a) of the levy.

This Bill proposes a parallel authorisation in respect of the new levy on calves.

The accompanying Meat Research Amendment Bill 1979 and the Live-stock Slaughter Levy Collection Amendment Bill 1979 make similar authorisations in respect of components (b) and (d).

Provisions:

Clause 2 provides for the Act to come into operation on 1 July 1979.
Clause 3 amends section 34 of the Principal Act to include in the authorisation of payment to the A.M.L.C. the first component of the levy on calves provided for by new para. 6E(1)(a) of the Livestock Slaughter Levy Act 1964 and on bobby calves provided for by new para. 6F(1)(a).

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