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Presented and read a first time, 26 February 1992

(Minister for Primary Industries and Energy)

A BILL

FOR

An Act to impose a charge on the export of deer

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

Short title

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1. This Act may be cited as the Deer Export Charge Act 1992.

Commencement

2. This Act commences on 1 July 1992.

Main object of Act

3. The main object of this Act is to raise funds for research and development in relation to the deer industry.

Act binds the Crown

4. This Act binds the Crown in right of the Commonwealth, of each of the States, of the Australian Capital Territory and of the Northern Territory.

Interpretation

- 5.(1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears:
- "Collection Act" means the Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Act 1991;
- "representative industry organisation" means the organisation known, at the time this Act commences, as the Deer Farmers Federation of Australia, or such other organisation as is specified in the regulations.
- (2) Unless the contrary intention appears, a word or expression has the same meaning in this Act as it has in the Collection Act.

Imposition of charge

6. A charge is imposed on live deer produced in Australia (whether before or after the commencement of this Act) that are exported from Australia after the commencement of this Act.

Rate of charge on export of live deer

- 7.(1) The rate of charge imposed under section 6 on live deer is:
- (a) the amount per head that is specified in the regulations; or
- (b) if no amount is specified in the regulations, \$10.00 per head.
- (2) The amount specified in the regulations for the purposes of paragraph (1)(a) must not exceed \$20.00 per head.

Who pays the charge

8. A charge imposed by this Act is payable by the producer.

[Note: Live deer is a product prescribed for the purposes of paragraph (g) of the definition of "producer" in subsection 4(1) of the Collection Act. This means that the person who exports the live deer from Australia is the producer.]

Regulations

- 9.(1) The Governor-General may make regulations prescribing matters required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed.
- (2) Before making a regulation specifying an amount for the purposes of paragraph 7(1)(a), the Governor-General is to consider any recommendations on the amount made to the Minister by any representative industry organisation.

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