THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

THE SENATE

(Presented pursuant to leave granted and read 1°, 16 October 1985)

(THE MINISTER FOR RESOURCES AND ENERGY, SENATOR EVANS)

A BILL

FOR

An Act to amend the Pipeline Authority Act 1973

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

Short title. &c.

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- 1 (1) This Act may be cited as the Pipeline Authority Amendment Act 1985.
 - (2) The *Pipeline Authority Act 1973*¹ is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Commencement

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Membership of Authority

- 3. Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended—
- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1) "five" and substituting "6";
- (b) by omitting from paragraph (1) (d) "two" and substituting "3"; and

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(c) by inserting after sub-section (2) the following sub-section:

"(2A) One of the members referred to in paragraph (1) (d) shall be a person nominated for appointment by The Australian Gas Light Company.".

Acting appointments

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- 4. Section 11 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (4) the following sub-section:
- "(4A) A person shall not be appointed to act as a part-time member under sub-section (4)—
 - (a) when there is a vacancy in the office of a part-time member who was appointed on the nomination of The Australian Gas Light Company; or
 - (b) when a part-time member mentioned in paragraph (a) is absent from duty or from Australia or, for any other reason, is unable to perform the functions of the office of that member,

unless the first-mentioned person has been nominated for the appointment by The Australian Gas Light Company.".

Meetings of Authority

5. Section 12 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (3) "three" and substituting "4".

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General powers of Authority

- 6. Section 15 of the Principal Act is amended—
- (a) by omitting from sub-section (1) "Subject to sub-section (2), the" and substituting "The"; and
- (b) by omitting sub-sections (2) and (3).

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NOTE

No. 42, 1973, as amended. For previous amendments, see No. 216, 1973; No. 91, 1976; No. 36, 1978; No. 109, 1980; and No. 65, 1985.