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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Presented and read a first time, 15 September 1987

(Minister Assisting the Treasurer)

A BILL

FOR

An Act to amend the *States (Works and Housing) Assistance Act 1985*, and for related purposes

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

Short title etc.

5 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *States (Works and Housing) Assistance Amendment Act 1987*.

(2) The *States (Works and Housing) Assistance Act 1985*¹ is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Commencement

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

3. After section 5B of the Principal Act the following sections are inserted:

Grants to States during 1987-88 in respect of capital expenditure

15 "5C. The Treasurer may, during the third relevant year, make payments to a State specified in column 1 of Schedule 4, for the purpose of financial

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assistance in connection with expenditure of a capital nature, of amounts not exceeding in the aggregate the difference between:

- (a) the amount specified in column 2 of the Schedule opposite to the name of the State; and
- (b) the sum of any amounts paid to the State under section 5B. 5

Advance payments to States for 1988-89 in respect of capital expenditure

“5D. The Treasurer may, during the period of 6 months commencing on 1 July 1988, make payments to a State specified in column 1 of Schedule 4, for the purpose of financial assistance in connection with expenditure of a capital nature, of amounts not exceeding in the aggregate the amount specified in column 3 of the Schedule opposite to the name of the State.” 10

Loans to States for public housing

4. Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting “30%” from paragraph (c) of the definition of “prescribed amount” in subsection (5) and substituting “the whole”. 15

Loans to Northern Territory for public housing

5. Section 10 of the Principal Act is amended:

- (a) by omitting from paragraph (a) of the definition of “prescribed amount” in subsection (5) “and the third relevant year”; 20
- (b) by omitting from paragraph (a) of the definition of “prescribed amount” in subsection (5) “and” (last occurring); and
- (c) by adding at the end of the definition of “prescribed amount” in subsection (5) the following word and paragraph: 25
 - “; and (c) in relation to the third relevant year—an amount equal to the borrowing entitlement of the Northern Territory for the relevant year.”.

6. (1) After section 13 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

Statement by State in respect of public housing 30

“13A. (1) A State shall give the Minister for Community Services and Health, not later than 30 November next following the end of a relevant year, a statement as to the expenditure of the amount of a loan made to the State in that year under the relevant subsection.

“(2) A statement under subsection (1) shall be: 35

- (a) in accordance with a form approved by the Minister for Community Services and Health; and
- (b) certified as to its correctness by a person appointed for that purpose by the relevant State Minister.

“(3) In this section: 40

‘relevant subsection’ means:

- (a) in the case of the Northern Territory—subsection 10 (1); and

(b) in any other case—subsection 6 (1);
 ‘State’ includes the Northern Territory.”

(2) The amendment made by subsection (1) does not apply to a relevant year commencing on 1 July 1985 or 1 July 1986.

5 **Schedule**

7. The Principal Act is amended by adding at the end the following Schedule:

“SCHEDULE 4 Sections 5C and 5D

CAPITAL GRANTS FOR 1987-88 AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS FOR 1988-89

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
State	Maximum aggregate amount of payments under section 5C	Maximum aggregate amount of payments under section 5D
	\$	\$
New South Wales	58,224,000	29,112,000
Victoria	48,318,000	24,159,000
Queensland	12,483,000	6,241,500
Western Australia	11,251,000	5,625,500
South Australia	27,390,000	13,695,000
Tasmania	18,438,000	9,219,000
Total	176,104,000	88,052,000”.

References to the Minister for Community Services and Health to replace references to the Minister for Housing and Construction

10 8 The Principal Act is amended as set out in the Schedule to this Act.

SCHEDULE Section 8

AMENDMENTS OF THE STATES (WORKS AND HOUSING) ASSISTANCE ACT 1985 TO REPLACE REFERENCES TO THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING AND CONSTRUCTION WITH REFERENCES TO THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES AND HEALTH

The *States (Works and Housing) Assistance Act 1985* is amended by omitting from the following provisions “Minister for Housing and Construction” and substituting “Minister for Community Services and Health”:

Subsections 8 (1) and (2), subsections 12 (1) and (2).

NOTE

1. No. 118, 1985, as amended. For previous amendment, see No. 124, 1986.

