THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Presented and read a first time, 13 April 1989

(Minister for Telecommunications and Aviation Support)

A BILL

FOR

An Act to provide for the payment of fees in respect of applications made under the Telecommunications Act 1989

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

Short title

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1. This Act may be cited as the *Telecommunications (Application Fees)*Act 1989.

Commencement

- 2. (1) Subject to subsection (2), this Act commences on a day to be fixed by Proclamation.
- (2) If this Act does not commence under subsection (1) within the period of 6 months beginning on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent, it commences on the first day after the end of that period.

Interpretation

3. Expressions used in this Act have the same meaning as in the Telecommunications Act 1989.

Application fees

- 4. (1) There is payable to the Commonwealth by a person who makes an application of a kind referred to in subsection (2) a fee fixed by the regulations in respect of applications of that kind.
- (2) The following applications made to AUSTEL under the *Telecommunications Act 1989* are applications in respect of which fees are payable:
 - (a) an application for variation of a class licence under section 80 of that Act;
 - (b) an application for registration of a value added service or private 10 network service under section 88 of that Act;
 - (c) an application for a permit under section 117 of that Act;
 - (d) an application for variation of a permit under section 121 of that Act:
 - (e) where regulations made for the purposes of section 127 of the Telecommunications Act 1989 provide for the payment of a fee for an application for the accreditation of a test house—an application for accreditation under regulations made for the purposes of that section of that Act:
 - (f) an application for a cabling licence under section 130 of that Act;
 - (g) an application for variation of a cabling licence under section 134 of that Act.

Regulations

- 5. (1) The Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with this Act fixing fees for the purposes of subsection 4 (1).
- (2) The regulations may fix different fees for different categories of applications (specified in the regulations) even though all those applications are applications referred to in the same paragraph in subsection 4 (2).
 - (3) The regulations shall not fix a fee exceeding \$500.

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