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THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
THE SENATE

Presented and read a first time

(Environment, Sport and Territories)

A BILL

FOR

An Act relating to the conservation of the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area Conservation Act 1993.

Commencement

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2. This Act commences on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

Object of Act

3. The object of this Act is to give effect to an agreement made between the Commonwealth and Queensland on 16 November 1990 (a copy of which is set out in Schedule 1 to the Queensland Act) and to facilitate the implementation of Australia's international duty for the protection, 5 conservation, presentation, rehabilitation and transmission to future generations of the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area.

Definitions

- **4.** In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears:
- "Authority" means the Wet Tropics Management Authority established by 10 section 6 of the Queensland Act;
- "Queensland Act" means the Wet Tropics World Heritage Protection and Management Act 1993 of Queensland.

Nomination of members of the board of the Wet Tropics Management Authority

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5. Nominations for the purposes of paragraph 14(b) of the Queensland Act may be made on behalf of the Commonwealth by the Minister.

Secondment of staff to Authority

- 6. The Minister may make arrangements for the services of:
- (a) officers or employees of the Australian Public Service; or

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(b) members of the staff of authorities of the Commonwealth;

to be made available to the Authority.

Operation of World Heritage Properties Conservation Act

7. Nothing in this Act is intended to affect the operation of the World Heritage Properties Conservation Act 1983.

Tabling of annual report of Authority

- **8.(1)** In this section, "annual report" means a report given to the Commonwealth under section 63 of the Oueensland Act.
- (2) The Minister must cause a copy of an annual report to be laid before each House of the Parliament within 15 sitting days of that House after the 30 report is given to the Commonwealth.

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