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INDUSTRIES ASSISTANCE COMMISSION AMENDMENT BILL 1983

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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for Industry and Commerce, the Honourable John J. Brown, MP)

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OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to make consequential amendments to the Industries Assistance Commission Act 1973 following the amendments proposed in the Customs Amendment Bill 1983.

That Bill amends the Customs Act 1901 by adding a new Part thereto providing for the introduction of a new system of granting tariff concessions.

The amendments to the Industries Assistance Commission Act 1973 excludes concession orders and orders revoking concession orders from the operation of sub-section 23(3) of that Act. This in effect means that the Minister can make or revoke a concession order without first receiving a report from the Commission.

The amendments also permit the Minister to refer to the Commission for inquiry and report the questions of whether a concession order should have been made or whether a concession order should have been revoked.

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- Clause 1 Citation of the Amendment Act and identification of the Industries Assistance Commission Act 1973 as the Principal Act.
- Clause 2 Commencement date to be the day on which section 5 of the Customs Amendment Act 1983 comes into operation.
- Clause 3 Expands sub-section 23(3) of the Principal Act by allowing the Minister to issue or revoke tariff concession orders without first receiving a report from the Commission.
- Amends sub-section 23(5) of the Principal Act by adding paragraphs which enable the Minister to refer questions of whether an order should be made or whether an order should be revoked to the Commission for inquiry and report.

