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LAYING CHICKEN LEVY AMENDMENT (AAHC) BILL 1996

SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Amendments to be Moved on Behalf of the Government

(Circulated by the authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and Energy, the
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GENERAL OUTLINE

1. The purpose of the Laying Chicken Levy Amendment (AAHC) Bill 1996 is to amend the *Laying Chicken Levy Act 1988* to impose a levy to finance the Australian Animal Health Council Limited (AAHC). The purpose of this amendment is to amend the retrospective application of the levy, and to remove an unnecessary duplication of the provision which limits the levy to no more than the amount recommended to the Minister.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

2. Payments to the AAHC will be drawn from levy arrangements established by the Australian Animal Health Council (Live-stock Industries) Funding Bill 1996, and will have no impact on the Commonwealth Budget.

NOTES ON INDIVIDUAL CLAUSES

3. This amendment

- (1) omits a sentence which duplicates the provision which limits the levy to no more than the amount recommended to the Minister. This provision is already contained in subsection 9(4) of the *Laying Chicken Levy Act 1988*.
- (2) amends the application date so that the levy comes into effect on the first day of the month following a period of 30 days after the Act commences.

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