

States Grants (Universities)

No. 20 of 1970

An Act relating to Financial Assistance to certain States in connexion with Halls of Residence at Universities.

[Assented to 17 June 1970]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

- Short title.** 1. This Act may be cited as the *States Grants (Universities) Act 1970*.
- Commencement.** 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.
- Definitions.** 3. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—
- “ State contribution ” means moneys paid by a State to a University for university purposes, other than moneys paid in fulfilment of the conditions upon which a payment is or has been made to the State by the Commonwealth under this Act or any other Act;
- “ the Commission ” means the Australian Universities Commission established by the *Australian Universities Commission Act 1959–1968*.

4.—(1.) Subject to this section, if—

- (a) on or after the first day of January, One thousand nine hundred and seventy, and on or before a date determined by the Minister in relation to the building concerned, not being later than the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and seventy-two, an amount derived by a University from a State contribution is expended on the erection of a building of a hall of residence specified in the Schedule to this Act; and
- (b) the whole or a part of the expenditure is approved by the Commission for the purposes of this section,

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there is payable to that State, for the purpose of financial assistance, an amount equal to so much of the expenditure as is so approved by the Commission.

(2.) For the purposes of the last preceding sub-section, expenditure by a University on the provision of furnishings and equipment, as approved by the Commission for the purposes of this section, for a building that has been erected by that University shall be deemed to be expenditure on the erection of that building.

(3.) The sum of the amounts paid to a State under this section in relation to expenditure in respect of a hall of residence shall not exceed the amount specified in the Schedule to this Act in respect of that hall of residence, being an amount not exceeding the maximum amount that could have become payable to the State, in relation to expenditure in respect of halls of residence and residential colleges of the University concerned under section 7 of the *Universities (Financial Assistance) Act 1966–1969*, in addition to the amounts that have become payable to the State under that section.

(4.) The financial assistance to a State under this section is granted on the condition that the State will, in respect of each payment of that financial assistance and without undue delay, pay to the University administering the hall of residence in relation to which that payment is made an amount equal to that payment.

(5.) A State contribution that is taken into account for the purposes of this section shall not be taken into account for the purposes of section 8 of the *States Grants (Universities) Act 1969*.

5. In addition to the conditions specified in any other provision of this Act, an amount of financial assistance to a State under this Act is granted on the conditions that—

Additional conditions.

- (a) if the Minister informs the State that he is satisfied that the State has failed to fulfil the conditions applicable to that amount, the State will repay that amount to the Commonwealth; and
- (b) if that amount exceeds the amount properly payable, the State will repay the excess to the Commonwealth.

Advances. **6.** The Treasurer may, at such times as he thinks fit, make advances of such amounts as he thinks fit to a State on account of an amount that may become payable under this Act to the State, and the conditions that would be applicable to a payment of the last-mentioned amount are applicable to any such advance.

Appropriation. **7.** Payments to a State under this Act shall be made out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is appropriated accordingly.

Progress reports. **8.** The Commission shall furnish to the Minister, at such times as the Minister directs, such reports as the Minister requires on the progress made, and the progress proposed to be made, in the erection of a building referred to in this Act or on any other matter relevant to the operation of this Act.

THE SCHEDULE

Section 4.

Hall of Residence	Amount
	\$
Monash University— Roberts Hall	454,930
University of Tasmania— Women's Hall of Residence	47,241
