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BUILDERS LABOURERS' FEDERATION (CANCELLATION OF
REGISTRATION - CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) BILL 1986

Date introduced: 8 April 1986
House: House of Representatives
Presented by: Hon. Ralph Willis, M.P., Minister
for Employment and Industrial
Relations

DIGEST OF BILL

Purpose

To allow regulations to be made regarding the coverage, by other unions, of work covered by the Australian Construction Employees' and Builders Labourers' Federation (BLF) prior to de-registration, to set out when and under what conditions the BLF may apply for re-registration and to state the effect of the cancellation of registration.

Background

Refer to the Digest for the Builders Labourers' Federation (Cancellation of Registration) Bill 1986 (No. 86/34).

Main Provisions

Clause 7 will allow regulations to be made to allocate work covered by the BLF prior to de-registration to other, registered organisations if that organisation consents to such an allocation. Clause 8 will empower the Governor-General to make regulations for the purpose of the Bill.

Clause 5 deals with the pre-conditions for re-registration of the BLF. The BLF will not be able to apply for re-registration until three years have elapsed from the day the Builders Labourers' Federation (Cancellation of Registration) Act 1986 comes into force. (This period was increased to five years in the Senate). In addition, before re-registration can be granted the

Conciliation and Arbitration Commission must be satisfied that the re-registered organisation will not engage in conduct inimical to the principles of the arbitration system and that the other requirements contained in the Conciliation and Arbitration Act 1904 have been satisfied.

The effects of de-registration are listed in clause 4. In short, awards will not have effect in relation to BLF members, the BLF will not be capable of appearing before the Commission and the Commission will not have power to hear a dispute relating to BLF members unless those members have joined a registered organisation.

For further information, if required, contact the Economics and Commerce Group.

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