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DISABILITY SERVICES (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND
CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 1986

Date introduced: 12 November 1986
House: Senate
Presented by: Senator the Hon. Don Grimes,
Minister for Community Services

DIGEST OF BILL

Purpose

To repeal various provisions of the Handicapped Persons Act 1974 and the Social Security Act 1947 as a result of the introduction of the Disability Services Bill 1986 and to provide for transitional arrangements.

Background

Refer to the Digest for the Disability Services Bill 1986 (No. 86/173).

Main Provisions

The Bill (other than Part II and clause 15) will come into operation on the day on which the Disability Services Bill 1986 comes into effect. Part II and clause 15 of the Bill will come into operation on the day on which Part II of the Disability Services Bill 1986 comes into effect (clause 2).

Part II of the Bill will amend the Handicapped Persons Assistance Act 1974 ("the Principal Act").

Clause 5 will repeal Parts II to VI of the Principal Act to prevent the Minister from making further grants for capital projects, maintenance and rent of premises, acquisition of equipment and recurrent funding for staffing costs.

Funding arrangements will continue for the handicapped children's benefit (clause 6); and training fees and the open employment incentive bonus for sheltered employees (clauses 7 and 8 respectively).

No further payments will be allowed under the Principal Act after 30 June 1992 (clause 9 which will substitute a new section 30 in the Principal Act).

Part III of the Bill will amend the Social Security Act 1947.

The definition of "income" contained in section 6 of this Act will be amended by clause 12 to reflect the provision of various allowances under the Disability Services Bill 1986.

For further information, if required, contact the Education and Welfare Group.

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