BROADCASTING AND TELEVISION STATIONS LICENCE FEES.

No. 34 of 1956.

An Act to provide for Fees for Licences for Commercial Broadcasting and Television Stations.

[Assented to 20th June, 1956.]

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

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Broadcasting and Television short title. Stations Licence Fees Act 1956.
- 2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by commencement. Proclamation.
- 3. The Broadcasting and Television Act 1942-1956 is incorporated Broadcasting and Television and shall be read as one with this Act.

- 4.—(1.) There is payable to the Commonwealth by a licensee, on License fees. the grant of his licence, not being a grant by way of the renewal of his licence-

 - (a) in the case of a licence for a commercial broadcasting station— Twenty-five pounds; or
 - (b) in the case of a licence for a commercial television station— One hundred pounds.
- (2.) There is payable to the Commonwealth by a licensee, on each anniversary, during the period of his licence, of the date of commencement of the licence, the amount referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of the last preceding sub-section, whichever is applicable, together with an amount equal to one per centum of the gross earnings of his station during the year ended on the thirtieth day of June last preceding that anniversary in respect of the broadcasting or televising of advertisements or other matter.
- (3.) There is payable to the Commonwealth by a licensee on the grant of his licence, being a grant by way of renewal of the licence, the amount referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) of sub-section (1.) of this section, whichever is applicable, together with an amount equal to one per centum of the gross earnings of his station during the year ended on the thirtieth day of June last preceding the commencement of the period for which the licence is renewed in respect of the broadcasting or televising of advertisements or other matter.

(4.) Where a licensee has, with the leave of the Board under section one hundred and six of the Broadcasting and Television Act 1942-1956, adopted an accounting period ending on some day other than the thirtieth day of June, a reference in either of the last two preceding sub-sections to the thirtieth day of June shall, in relation to that licensee, be read as a reference to that other day.