

## LOAN CONSOLIDATION AND INVESTMENT RESERVE.

### No. 55 of 1955.

An Act to establish a Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve, and for purposes connected therewith.

[Assented to 3rd November, 1955.]

**B**E it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, the Senate, and the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, for the purpose of appropriating the grant originated in the House of Representatives, as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the *Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve Act 1955.* Short title.

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent. Commencement.

3. In this Act, "the Reserve" means the Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve established by this Act. Definition.

4. There shall be a Loan Consolidation and Investment Reserve, which shall be a Trust Account for the purposes of section sixty-two A of the *Audit Act 1901-1955.* Establishment of Reserve.

5.—(1.) The Treasurer may, during the financial year which commenced on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and fifty-five, pay to the credit of the Reserve, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, which is appropriated accordingly, such sums as he from time to time determines, but not exceeding in the aggregate Forty-eight million five hundred thousand pounds. Payments to Reserve.

(2.) There shall be paid to the credit of the Reserve—

(a) the amount standing to the credit of the Debt Redemption Reserve Trust Account at the commencement of this Act; and

(b) interest received from the investment of moneys standing to the credit of the Reserve.

6.—(1.) Moneys standing to the credit of the Reserve may be applied in repurchasing or redeeming securities which represent portion of the public debt of the Commonwealth. Purposes of Reserve.

(2.) Securities so repurchased or redeemed shall be cancelled and the amount of the public debt of the Commonwealth shall be reduced accordingly.

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(3.) Until moneys standing to the credit of the Reserve are applied as provided by sub-section (1.) of this section, those moneys may be invested in accordance with section sixty-two B of the *Audit Act* 1901-1955, as modified by the next succeeding section.

Modification of  
s. 62B of  
Audit Act

7. Section sixty-two B of the *Audit Act* 1901-1955, in its application to the investment of moneys standing to the credit of the Reserve, has effect as if the reference to securities of, or guaranteed by, the Government of any State were omitted.

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