

## States Grants (Housing Assistance)

### No. 40 of 1971

An Act relating to Financial Assistance to the States for the purpose of Housing.

[Assented to 18 May 1971]

[Date of commencement 15 June 1971]

**B**E 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 (Housing Assistance) Act 1971*.

**Definition.** 2. In this Act, "the Housing Agreement" means the agreement executed in pursuance of the *Housing Agreement Act 1956* as amended by the agreement executed in pursuance of the *Housing Agreement Act 1961* and by the agreement executed in pursuance of the *Housing Agreement Act 1966*.

**Authority to Treasurer to make advances for purpose of housing.**

3. The Treasurer may, during the financial year commencing on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seventy-one, out of moneys lawfully available for the purpose, make such advances to a State as the Commonwealth would be required to make to that State during that financial year under the Housing Agreement if that Agreement applied in relation to that financial year in like manner as it applies in relation to the financial year that commenced on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seventy.

**Conditions on which Treasurer may make advances.**

4.—(1.) An advance to a State under this Act is subject to the same conditions as would be applicable to the advance if the Housing agreement applied in relation to the financial year commencing on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seventy-one, in like manner as it applies in relation to the financial year that commenced on the first day of July, One thousand nine hundred and seventy, and the advance were made under that Agreement.

(2.) In addition to the conditions applicable under the last preceding sub-section, payment of an amount to a State under this Act is subject to the condition that—

- (a) if the Treasurer informs the Treasurer of the State that he is satisfied that the State has failed to fulfil a condition applicable to that amount under that sub-section, the State will repay that amount to the Commonwealth; and
- (b) if that amount exceeds the amount properly payable, the State will repay the amount of the excess to the Commonwealth.