

SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES AMENDMENT BILL 2001

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Section 6 (1) (b) of the *Salaries and Allowances Act 1975* empowers the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal to make a determination on remuneration to be paid to members of Select and Joint Select Committees but excludes Standing Committees of Parliament.

This amendment seeks to amend section 6 (1) (b) to enable the Tribunal to make remuneration determinations for members of Standing Committees of Parliament.

The amendment stems directly from a recommendation made by the Commission on Government. The amendment was also supported by the Legislative Assembly Select Committee on Procedure, in their final report of June 1996, and again supported by the Legislative Assembly Standing Orders and Procedure Committee report on COG Recommendations presented in June 1998.

Clause 1: Short title and citation.

Clause 2: This clause sets out the commencement provisions of the Bill.

Clause 3: Section 6 (1) (b) of the Act –

6 (1) (b) officers and members of the Parliament including additional remuneration to be paid or provided to members of Select Committees of a House or Joint Select Committees of Houses, not being in either case Standing Committees; .

is amended to read -

6 (1) (b) officers and members of Parliament including additional remuneration to be paid or provided to members of committees of a House or joint committees of both Houses; .