BUSINESS FRANCHISE LICENCES (PETROLEUM PRODUCTS) (COUNTRY AREAS EXEMPTION) AMENDMENT BILL 1994

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

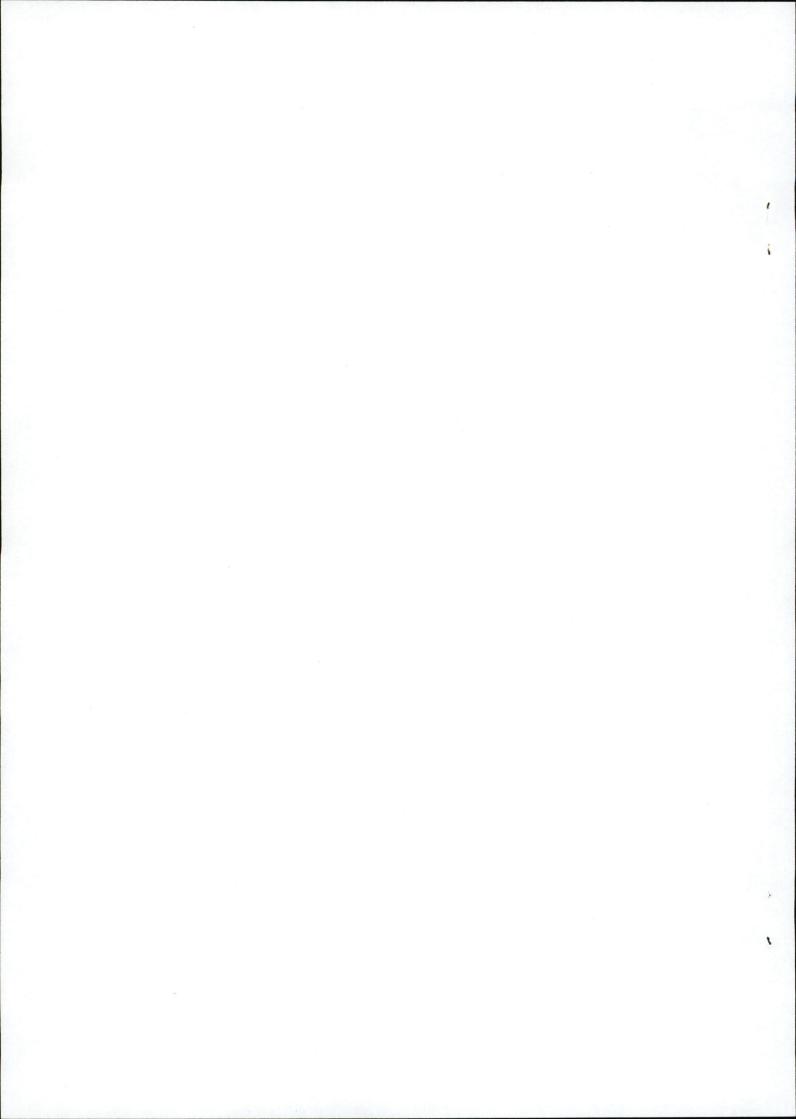
The object of this Bill is to amend the Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) Act 1987 to exempt petroleum products (petrol and diesel) that are sold to consumers in country areas of the State from the licence fee payable under that Act.

The licence fee payable under that Act is payable by wholesalers or (if the fee has not already been paid by a wholesaler) by retailers of petroleum products. The licence fee is calculated as a percentage of the value of the petroleum products sold. The Bill provides that the value of any petroleum products which will be finally sold and delivered in the country is not to be taken into account when assessing the licence fee payable (by any wholesaler or retailer of the products). The result of the amendment will be that petroleum products sold in the country will not have had licence fee paid on them, leading to a commensurate reduction in the price of fuel in the country.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides that the proposed Act commences 3 months after the date of assent or on such earlier day as may be appointed by proclamation.

Clause 3 makes the amendment to the Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) Act 1987 described above.



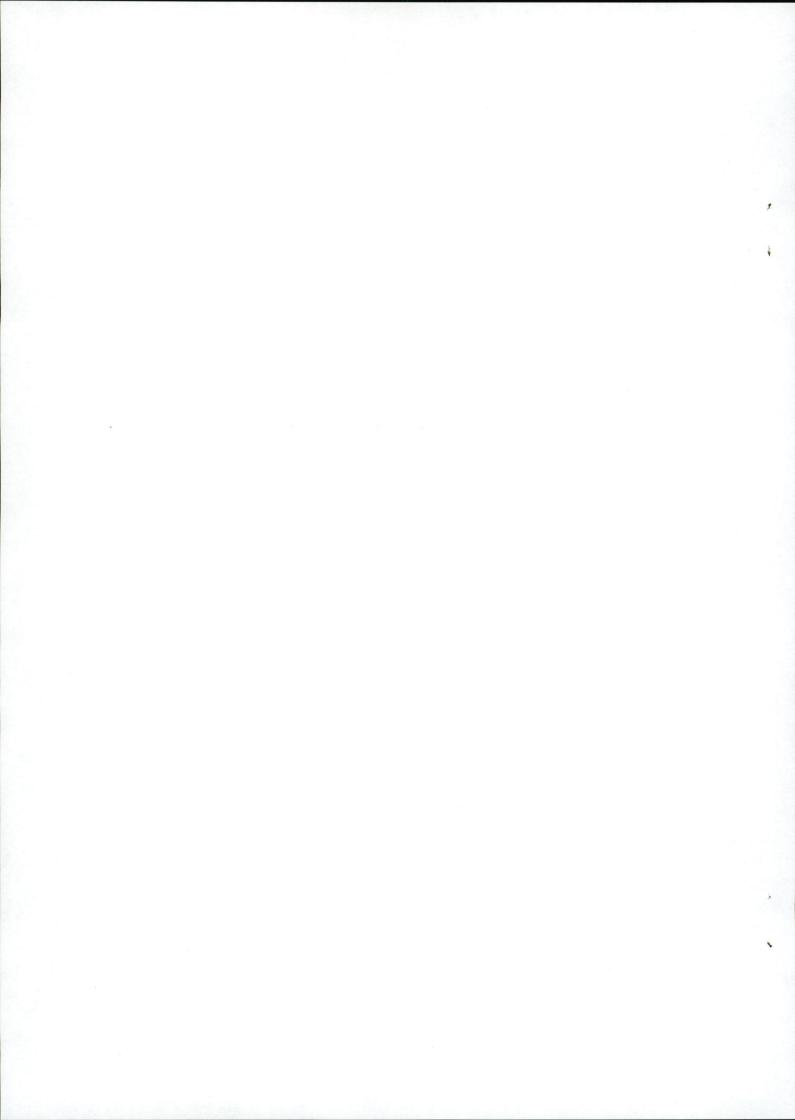
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No. , 1994

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) Act 1987 to make provision for the exemption from licence fee of petroleum products sold in country areas of the State.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) (Country Areas Exemption) Amendment Act 1994.

5 Commencement

2. This Act commences 3 months after the date of assent, unless commenced sooner by proclamation.

Amendment of Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) Act 1987 No. 94

- 3. The Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) Act 1987 is amended by inserting after section 40 (4) the following subsections:
 - (5) The value of petroleum products that are sold on and from the commencement of the Business Franchise Licences (Petroleum Products) (Country Areas Exemption) Amendment Act 1994 and are for final sale and delivery in the country is to be disregarded for the purposes of calculating any fee payable under this section.
 - (6) For the purposes of subsection (5):
 - "the country" comprises those areas of the State not within any of the following areas:
 - (a) the County of Cumberland;
 - (b) the Cities of Blue Mountains, Gosford, Hawkesbury, Lake Macquarie, Liverpool, Newcastle, Penrith and Wollongong;
 - (c) the local government areas of Camden, Kiama, Port Stephens, Shellharbour, Wingecarribee, Wollondilly and Wyong.

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