

# **BALLAST WATER RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING LEVY ACT 1998**

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## **- LONG TITLE**

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Act No. 21, 1998

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[Assented to 17 April 1998]

The Parliament of Australia enacts:

### **SECT 1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the Ballast Water Research and Development Funding Levy Act 1998.

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### **SECT 2 Commencement**

This Act commences on 1 July 1998.

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### **SECT 3 Definitions**

(1) In this Act:

bulk carrier means a ship that:

(a) is constructed generally with a single deck, top-side tanks and hopper side tanks in cargo spaces; and

(b) is intended primarily to carry dry cargo in bulk (for example, grain or ore).

(2) In this Act, expressions have the same meaning as in the Ballast Water Research and Development Funding Levy Collection Act 1998.

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#### SECT 4 Application to Crown

This Act binds the Crown in right of each of the States, of the Australian Capital Territory, of the Northern Territory and of Norfolk Island.

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#### SECT 5 Imposition of levy

Levy payable in respect of a ship in accordance with the Ballast Water Research and Development Funding Levy Collection Act 1998 is imposed.

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#### SECT 6 Amount of levy

If levy is payable in respect of a ship, the amount of the levy is:

(a) if the ship is a bulk carrier--\$210; or

(b) otherwise--\$140.

[Minister's second reading speech made in--  
House of Representatives on 24 September 1997  
Senate on 25 November 1997]