THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING AMENDMENT BILL 1988

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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OUTLINE

The purpose of this Bill is to provide an Act to give authority for funding the provisions of Chapter 3 of the *Higher Education Funding Act 1988* from Consolidated Revenue Fund or the Loan Fund. Chapter 3 will be proclaimed following the enactment of Chapter 4 of the Higher Education Funding Act 1988.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This Bill provides for appropriation of \$242 million in estimated December 1988 price levels. The additional grants are as follows -

ADDITIONAL STATES GRANTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE (in estimated December 1988 prices)

	<u>1989</u> \$m	<u>1990</u> \$m	<u>1991</u> \$m
RECURRENT GRANTS	1 ···	T	4
Specified Grants . Equality of Opportunity	2.1	2.1	2.1
. Greater Participation by Aboriginals	1.7	4.6	8.4
Total Recurrent	3.8	6.7	10.5
CAPITAL GRANTS			
- New Works	30.3	69.5	102.6
- Renovations	19.8	•	-
Total Capital	50.1	69.5	102.6
TOTAL HIGHER EDUCATION	53.8	76.2	113.1

(Any variations in this Table are due to rounding).

CLAUSES OF THE BILL

Clause 1: Short title

Clause 2: Commencement: This Clause provides for the Bill to come into

operation on Royal Assent.

Clauses 3

to 7: These clauses provide amendments to the financial machinery

clauses of the Higher Education Funding Bill 1988.