

No. 11 of 2001

# **AN ACT**

to amend the Companies (Trustees and Personal Representatives) Act

[Assented to 28 June 2001] [Second reading 22 February 2001]

## The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

#### 1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Companies (Trustees and Personal Representatives) Amendment Act 2001.

### 2. New section

The Companies (Trustees and Personal Representatives) Act is amended by inserting after section 27 the following:

## "27A. GST may be charged by trustee company

- "(1) A trustee company may, in addition to any commission, fee or other charge payable to it or recoverable by it under this Act in relation to services supplied by it as a trustee company, charge or recover the amount of GST payable in respect of the services.
- "(2) Nothing in this section permits a trustee company to charge or recover an additional amount that is greater than—
  - (a) 10% of the maximum amount payable to it or recoverable by it apart from this section; or

(b) the amount permitted under the New Tax System Price Exploitation law,

whichever is the lesser.

- "(3) This section has effect despite any other provision of this Act limiting an amount that may be charged or recovered by a trustee company.
- "(4) The charging, or recovery, by a trustee company of an amount of GST payable before the commencement of this section in respect of services supplied or to be supplied by it as a trustee company is validated if that amount could have been charged or recovered had this section been in force.
  - "(5) In this section—
  - 'GST' has the same meaning as in the A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 of the Commonwealth;

'New Tax System Price Exploitation law' means —

- (a) the New Tax System Price Exploitation Code text, as applied as a law of the Territory by the New Tax System Price Exploitation Code (Northern Territory) Act 1999; or
- (b) Part VB of the *Trade Practices Act 1974* of the Commonwealth.".