

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



STATE TAXATION OFFICE

Stamp Duties

Circular No. 170

STAMP DUTIES ACT 1923

GENERAL INSURANCE BUSINESS

BACKGROUND

Your attention is drawn to the *Stamp Duties (Miscellaneous) Amendment Bill 1998*, which was introduced into Parliament today. It contains three measures which amend the *Stamp Duties Act 1923*, two of which are Budget measures. One of the Budget measures concerns stamp duty on motor vehicle compulsory third party insurance policies and is dealt with in Circular No.171. The second measure concerns heavy vehicle registrations and is dealt with in Circular No. 172. The third measure, the second of the Budget initiatives and the subject of this Circular, concerns stamp duty on general insurance business.

TAX RATE CHANGE

In line with these announcements, the rate of stamp duty payable on general insurance business will increase from \$8 per \$100 to \$11 per \$100 or part thereof on premiums received.

The new rate applies in respect of premiums received on or after 1 June 1998 subject to the qualification below.

Premiums invoiced prior to 1 August 1998, which relate to policies of 12 months or less and commencing before 1 September 1998, will be charged at the old rate of \$8 per \$100 or part thereof, for the term of the policy.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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