

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

A.C.T. SELF-GOVERNMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) ACT 1988

A.C.T. SELF-GOVERNMENT (CONSEQUENTIAL PROVISIONS) REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

1989 No. 209

Subsection 31(1) of the A.C.T. Self-Government (Consequential Provisions) Act 1988 provides that the Governor-General may make Regulations making provision (including provision by way of modifications of an Act) in relation to:

- (a) any matter arising from, connected with or consequential upon the establishment of the Territory as a body politic under the Crown; or
- (b) any matter arising from, connected with or consequential upon the conversion of a law into an enactment.

Subsection 31(2) provides that Regulations made under section 31(1) may be expressed to commence on and from a date earlier than the making of the Regulations not being a date earlier than Self-Government Day.

The Regulations provide for the modification of the Economic Planning Advisory Council Act 1983.

The purpose of the Regulations is to enable the Commonwealth to appoint the Australian Capital Territory to membership of the Commonwealth Economic Planning Advisory Council and, if appointed, to permit an ACT Minister to attend at meetings of the Council. At present the Commonwealth may invite the States and the Northern Territory to membership of the Council.

The details of the Regulations are as follows:

Regulation 1 provides that the Regulations shall be taken to have commenced on 11 May 1989, the date of Self-Government in the Australian Capital Territory.

Regulation 2 provides that the modifications to the Economic Planning Advisory Council Act 1983 are inserted in Schedule 1 of the ACT Self-Government (Consequential Provisions) Regulations.

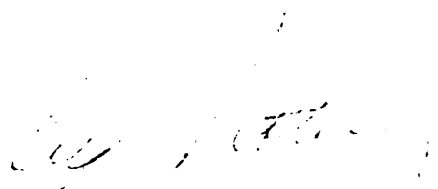
The Schedule provides that section 3 of the Economic Planning Advisory Council Act 1983 is modified to provide that:

the definition of "Parliament" in the Act includes the ACT Assembly (the definition presently includes the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly);

a reference to "State" in the Act includes the Australian Capital Territory (a reference to "State" presently includes the Northern Territory);

a reference to "Premier of a State" in the Act includes the Chief Minister of the ACT (a reference to Premier presently includes the Chief Minister of the Northern Territory); and

a reference to "the appropriate Minister of a State" in the Act includes the appropriate person appointed under subsection 41(1) of the Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988.



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