

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Statutory Rules No. 260 of 1985

Australian Citizenship Regulations (Amendment)
(Issued by the authority of the Minister for
Immigration and Ethnic Affairs.)

Section 53 of the Australian Citizenship Act 1948 (the Act), so far as is relevant, prescribes that the Governor-General may make regulations, not inconsistent with the Act, prescribing all matters required or permitted by the Act to be prescribed including regulations providing for the imposition and recovery of fees in respect of:

- . any application under the Act;
- . any registration, the making of any declaration, the grant of any certificate granted under the Act; and
- . the supplying of a certified or other copy of any declaration, certificate or oath made, granted or taken under this Act.

The above regulations introduced fees for service payable upon the lodgement of an application for registration of citizenship by descent and upon lodgement of an application for a declaratory certificate of citizenship. Details of the regulations are as follows:

- . regulation 1 set a date for operation of the amending regulations of 1 October 1985.
- . regulation 2 added a new sub-regulation to existing Regulation 7A providing that a fee of \$25 is payable on lodging an application to register the name of a person for citizenship by descent.
- . regulation 3 added a new sub-regulation to existing Regulation 8 providing that a fee of \$30 is payable on lodging an application for a declaratory certificate of citizenship.

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