Australian Citizenship Regulations (Amendment) 1996 No. 212

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Statutory Rules 1996 No. 212

Issued by the Authority of the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs

Australian Citizenship Act 1948

Australian Citizenship Regulations (Amendment)

Section 53 of the Australian Citizenship Act 1948 (the Act) provides for the Governor-General to make regulations, not inconsistent with the Act, prescribing all matters which by this Act are required or permitted to be prescribed, or which are necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to the Act.

The purpose of the Regulations is to make amendments to increase the fee payable on lodgement of an application for the grant of a certificate of Australian citizenship from \$55 to \$80 in line with the Government's commitment to increased cost recovery.

Details of the Regulations are:

Regulation 1 - Commencement

These Regulations commence on 1 October 1996.

Regulation 2 - Amendment

These Regulations amend the Australian Citizenship Regulations.

Regulation 3 - Regulation 9 (fee on lodgment of application for grant of certificate of Australian citizenship

This regulation omits \$55 and substitutes \$80 to increase the fee payable on lodgment of an application for the grant of a certificate of Australian citizenship.