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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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National Measurement Act 1960

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The National Measurement Act 1960 (the Act) provides the legislative basis for Australia's National Measurement System. The aim of the Act is to ensure that measurements are what they purport to be and to give legal sanction to the national standards of measurement. Section 20 of the Act provides that the Governor-General may make regulations for the purposes of the Act.

In the 1999 rewrite of the National Measurement Regulations, the National Standards Commission was advised that, because of concurrent amendments to the Public Service Act, it would be unnecessary to include the former regulation 85 that prescribed allowances for the Executive Director. As the amendments to the Public Service Act have not proceeded, proposed regulation 88A prescribes the Executive Director's allowances.

Item 2 corrects a drafting error that occurred in Schedule 1, item 4.4 during the rewrite.