

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

MEDICAL LEAVE STATUTE 2007

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

1. Authority for making the instrument. *Australian National University Act 1991*, section 50.

2. Purpose and operation of the instrument. The Statute enables the making of rules, not inconsistent with the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* with respect to enrolment of or attendance at the University by a person with a serious health condition.

3. Documents incorporated in the instrument by reference. None.

4. Consultation process. The initial draft legislation was work-shopped with the Disability Services Unit, Counselling Service, Registrar, and Equity Adviser. The working draft produced by that group was further refined by extensive consultation with the undergraduate and postgraduate student organisations, the Dean of Students, a selection of Directors who have had direct experience in dealing with students with difficult medical issues, Heads of Halls, and the University Community Equity Committee. The Council of the University considered and approved the Statute.

Council and Boards Secretariat
10 December 2007.