

Parliamentary Business Resources Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2017

I, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Ret’d), Governor‑General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 14 December 2017

Peter Cosgrove

Governor‑General

By His Excellency’s Command

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Minister for Finance

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Parliamentary Business Resources Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2017*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | Immediately after the commencement of the *Parliamentary Business Resources Regulations 2017*. | 1 January 2018 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017.*

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Parliamentary Business Resources Regulations 2017

1 Section 4

Insert:

***Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle*** has the meaning given by paragraph 63A(a).

2 Section 4 (at the end of paragraph (b) of the definition of *private vehicle*)

Add “or a Canberra‑based self‑drivevehicle”.

3 Paragraph 27(6)(b)

After “of a member”, insert “of the House of Representatives”.

4 After Division 5 of Part 2

Insert:

Division 5A—Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicles

63A Provision of a Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle

For the purposes of subsection 33(1) of the Act, the following are prescribed:

(a) a vehicle (the ***Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle***) without a driver provided for use by a member in and around Canberra;

(b) expenses for the usual costs of maintaining and operating the Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle, including for fuel, servicing, parking and insurance.

63B Use of a Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle

(1) For the purposes of subsection 33(7) of the Act, a determination providing for a Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle may provide as mentioned in this section.

Use of a Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle

(2) The determination may set out one or more of the following:

(a) the circumstances in which a person other than the member may drive or travel in the Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle;

(b) arrangements for, or conditions relating to, the garaging of the vehicle;

(c) security measures to be taken in relation to the vehicle;

(d) contributions to be made for the use of the vehicle;

(e) any other matters in relation to the use of the vehicle that the Minister thinks appropriate.

Restrictions on use of other transport

(3) The determination may set out conditions (including restrictions) on the use of other forms of travel, travel expenses or allowances prescribed by this instrument in circumstances in which the member could reasonably use the Canberra‑based self‑drive vehicle.

(4) If the Administrator considers it appropriate to do so, the Administrator may refuse to approve a claim in relation to travel by other means in those circumstances.

Effect of this section

(5) This section does not limit the matters that may be dealt with by the determination.

5 After paragraph 66(1)(p)

Insert:

(pa) conducting interactive voice response phone surveys;

(pb) short messaging service (SMS) broadcasting and survey services;

(pc) information and communications technology and services provided by the Department of Parliamentary Services;

6 Paragraph 66(1)(q)

Omit “(p)”, substitute “(pc)”.

7 At the end of Part 5

Add:

Division 3—Use of Commonwealth transport for security purposes

94A Use of Commonwealth transport for security purposes

(1) This section applies if the Minister is satisfied that, to ensure the personal safety of a member, the member should be able to use Commonwealth transport.

(2) For the purposes of subsection 42(1) of the Act, the Commonwealth is to provide the Commonwealth transport.

(3) The Commonwealth transport is provided subject to any conditions specified by the Minister in writing, including in relation to:

(a) circumstances in which the transport may or must be used (including in relation to whether other types of transport are available); and

(b) who may travel with the member in the transport.

(4) Paragraphs (3)(a) and (b) do not limit the conditions that may be specified by the Minister under subsection (3).

8 Paragraph 95(1)(d)

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

(d) the Manager of Opposition Business in the House of Representatives, if the Manager is also a shadow Minister;

(e) each other shadow Minister.

9 Paragraph 97(c)

Repeal the paragraph, substitute:

(c) a person (other than a member) whose additional transport costs for travel by unscheduled commercial transport are prescribed under section 30 or 31.

10 Section 99

Omit “member in section 14”, substitute “member in subsection 14(1)”.

11 Section 99 (note)

Omit “by section 14”, substitute “by subsection 14(1)”.