

#### **AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

# Public Sector Management (Amendment) Act 1996

No. 24 of 1996

## An Act to amend the Public Sector Management Act 1994

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The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

#### **Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the *Public Sector Management* (Amendment) Act 1996.

#### Commencement

**2.** This Act commences on the day on which the *Financial Management Act 1996* commences.

#### **Principal Act**

**3.** In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Interpretation**

- **4.** Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended—
- (a) by omitting from subsection (1) the definition of "autonomous instrumentality" and substituting the following definition:
  - " 'autonomous instrumentality' means—
    - (a) the Auditor-General's office; or

- (b) the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions;";
- **(b)** by inserting in subsection (1) the following definitions:
  - " 'Auditor-General's office' means the Auditor-General and the staff assisting the Auditor-General under section 23 of the *Auditor-General Act 1996*;
  - 'chief executive officer', in relation to an autonomous instrumentality, means—
    - in the case of the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions—the Director of Public Prosecutions;
      and
    - (b) in the case of the Auditor-General's office—the Auditor-General;".

#### **Substitution**

**5.** Section 37 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted:

#### **Delegations in autonomous instrumentalities**

"37. The chief executive officer of an autonomous instrumentality may delegate all or any of the officer's powers under this Act to a member of the staff of the instrumentality.".

#### Development of programs in autonomous instrumentalities

**6.** Section 43 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from paragraph (a) "instrumentality" and substituting "chief executive officer of the instrumentality".

#### Creation and abolition of offices

- **7.** Section 54A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting subsection (4) and substituting the following subsection:
- "(4) In the application of this section to an autonomous instrumentality, a reference to the administering Chief Executive shall be read as a reference to the chief executive officer of the instrumentality.".

#### Reclassification of offices in autonomous instrumentalities

**8.** Section 59 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting "the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions" and substituting "an autonomous instrumentality".

#### **Substitution**

**9.** Section 64 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted:

#### Application to autonomous instrumentalities

"64. Unless the contrary intention appears, the provisions of this Part (other than sections 73 and 74) apply in relation to an autonomous instrumentality as if a reference to the Commissioner in the applicable provisions were a reference to the chief executive officer of the instrumentality."

#### NOTE

### **Principal Act**

1. Reprinted as at 1 January 1996.

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