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#### A BILL

**FOR** 

## An Act to amend the Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Act 1970, and for other purposes

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

#### 1 Name of Act

This Act is the Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Amendment Act 2000.

#### 2 Commencement

- (1) This Act (other than sections 4 and 5) commences on the day it is notified in the Gazette.
- (2) Sections 4 and 5 are taken to have commenced on 1 July 2000.

#### 5 3 Act amended

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This Act amends the Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Act 1970.

#### 4 Interpretation

Section 2 is amended—

- (a) by omitting the heading and substituting the following heading:
  - "2 Definitions"; and
- (b) by omitting from subsection (1) "(1) In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears—" and substituting "In this Act:"; and
- (c) by adding at the end of paragraphs (a) to (c) of the definition of pensioner in subsection (1) "or"; and
- (d) by omitting from paragraph (b) of the definition of *pensioner* in subsection (1) "subject to subsection (2)," and substituting "subject to section 2AA,"; and
  - (e) by omitting paragraphs (d) and (e) of the definition of *pensioner* in subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraph:
    - "(d) a person who has been given by the Commonwealth a card or other written authority that evidences the person's eligibility under the *Veterans' Entitlements Act* 1986 (Cwlth) to be given treatment for all injuries suffered, and all diseases contracted, by the person.";

and

(f) by omitting subsection (2).

#### 5 Insertion

Before section 2A the following section is inserted:

#### "2AA Persons taken to be pensioners

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For paragraph (b) of the definition of **pensioner** in section 2, a person is taken to be a pensioner for an application by the person for a rebate or determination only if, for the 12 months before the making of the application—

- (a) the person continuously received an allowance or benefit mentioned in subparagraph (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) of that paragraph (a current benefit); or
- (b) the person received continuously but not concurrently—
  - (i) a pension or allowance mentioned in paragraph (a) of the definition; and
  - (ii) a current benefit.".

#### 6 Memorandum in relation to registered notice of determination

Section 18 is amended by omitting "in accordance with Form 2 in Schedule 1 where" and substituting "of discharge in a form approved by the registrar-general if".

#### 7 Information relating to determination

Section 19 is amended by omitting "(2)".

#### 8 Notice of change in circumstances

Section 21J is amended by omitting subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

"(3) A person must not, without reasonable excuse, contravene subsection (1) or (2).

Maximum penalty: 5 penalty units.".

#### 25 9 Substitution

Section 21K is omitted and the following section substituted:

#### "21K Information relating to application

The Minister may require a person who has made an application to the Minister under this Act to give to the Minister any information that the Minister reasonably needs to decide the application.".

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#### 10 Omission

Section 22 is omitted.

#### 11 Power of Minister to determine rate of interest

Section 23 is amended—

- (a) by omitting from subsection (1) ", by notice in writing published in the *Gazette*, fix a rate of interest" and substituting "determine a rate at which interest is payable"; and
- (b) by adding at the end the following subsection:

"(4) Notice of a determination under subsection (1) must be published in the Gazette.".

#### 12 Substitution

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Section 24 is omitted and the following section substituted:

#### "24 Regulation-making power

The Executive may make regulations for this Act.".

#### 15 13 Minor amendments of Land Titles Act

Schedule 1 amends the Land Titles Act 1925.

#### **SCHEDULE 1**

(See s 13)

#### MINOR AMENDMENTS OF LAND TITLES ACT 1925

#### [1.1] Paragraph 100A (1) (c)—

Omit "in accordance with Form 2 in Schedule 1 of", substitute "of discharge under".

#### [1.2] Section 108C—

Omit "in accordance with Form 2 in Schedule 1 of", substitute "of discharge under".

#### **Endnote**

#### Act amended

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