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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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As presented

(Attorney-General)

**Registration of Births, Deaths and  
Marriages (Amendment) Bill 1991**

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**A BILL**

FOR

**An Act to amend the *Registration of Births, Deaths and  
Marriages Act 1963***

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

**Short title**

- 5     1. This Act may be cited as the *Registration of Births, Deaths and  
Marriages (Amendment) Act 1991*.

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Authorised by the ACT Parliamentary Counsel—also accessible at [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au)

### Commencement

2. This Act commences on a day fixed by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette*.

### Principal Act

3. In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act 1963*.<sup>1</sup> 5

### Certificate of death to be furnished by medical practitioner

4. Section 34 of the Principal Act is amended—

(a) by omitting paragraph (5) (e) and substituting the following paragraph: 10

"(e) died during or within 72 hours after, or as a result of—

(i) an operation of a medical, surgical, dental or like nature; or

(ii) an invasive medical or diagnostic procedure;"

(b) by inserting in paragraph (5) (f) "or her" after "his"; 15

(c) by omitting paragraph (5) (h) and substituting the following paragraph:

"(h) died—

(i) in a prison, a remand centre within the meaning of the *Remand Centres Act 1976*, or a lock-up; or 20

(ii) while the subject of emergency procedures, or while subject to a treatment order, under the *Mental Health Act 1983*;" and

(d) by inserting after subsection (5) the following subsection:

"(5A) In paragraph (5) (e) a reference to— 25

(a) an operation of a medical, surgical, dental or like nature; or

(b) an invasive medical or diagnostic procedure;

shall be read as a reference to such an operation or procedure within the meaning of paragraph 11 (1) (e) of the *Coroners Act 1956*, as construed in accordance with regulations (if any) made for the purposes of subsection 11 (1A) of that Act." 30

### NOTE

1. Ordinance No. 17, 1963 as amended by No. 19, 1966; No. 47, 1974; No. 29, 1975; Nos. 18, 50 and 58, 1977; No. 17, 1979; Nos. 24 and 40, 1980; No. 32, 1981; Nos. 52 and 80, 1982; No. 41, 1983; Nos. 8 and 31, 1986; No. 51, 1987; Nos. 62 and 92, 1988; Nos. 21, 29 and 38, 1989; Act No. 23, 1990.