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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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(As presented)

(Mr Berry)

**Sexually Transmitted Diseases (Amendment)  
Bill 1990**

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**A BILL**

FOR

**An Act to amend the *Venereal Diseases Act 1956***

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

**PART I - PRELIMINARY**

**Short title**

1. This Act may be cited as the *Sexually Transmitted Diseases (Amendment) Act 1990*.

**Principal Act**

2. In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Venereal Diseases Act 1956*.<sup>1</sup>

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**Long title**

3. The title of the Principal Act is amended by omitting "Examination and Treatment of Persons suffering or suspected to be suffering from Venereal Diseases" and substituting "examination and treatment of persons suffering or suspected to be suffering from sexually transmitted diseases."

**Interpretation**

4. Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the definition of "venereal disease" and substituting the following definition:

" 'sexually transmitted disease' means gonorrhoea, syphilis, chancroid, donovanosis (granuloma inguinale) and lymphogranuloma venereum."

**Further amendments**

5. The following provisions of the Principal Act are amended by omitting "venereal disease" (wherever occurring) and substituting "sexually transmitted disease":

subsections 5(1), 5(2) and 6(1), paragraphs 6A(1)(a) and 7(1)(b), subsections 9(1), 11(1) and 19(2).

**Pharmacy Act 1931 - amendment**

6. The *Pharmacy Act 1931* is amended by omitting "venereal disease" from subsections 45(1) and 46(1) (wherever occurring) and substituting "sexually transmitted disease".

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**NOTE**

1. Ordinance No. 9, 1955 as amended by No. 19, 1966; No. 17, 1975; No. 40, 1977; No. 46, 1978; No. 1979; No. 67, 1985; No. 29, 1988; Nos. 21 and 38, 1989.

**NOTE ABOUT SECTION HEADINGS**

On the day on which the *Venereal Diseases Act 1956* is amended by this Act, the headings to sections 5, 6 and 9 of the Principal Act are altered by omitting "venereal disease" and substituting "sexually transmitted disease".

