

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
HOUSING ASSISTANCE ACT 1987
PUBLIC RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
VARIATION**

No. 152 of 1992

Under Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987*, I VARY a Housing Assistance Program as follows:

Title

1. This Instrument is titled Public Rental Housing Assistance Program Variation 1992.

Commencement

- 2.(1) This Instrument, except for Clauses 8 and 9, commences operation on 1 November 1992.
- (2) Clause 8 of this Instrument commences operation on 1 July 1993.
- (3) Clause 9 of this Instrument commences operation on 1 July 1994.

Public Rental Housing Assistance Program

3. In this Instrument "Public Rental Housing Assistance Program" means the Housing Assistance Program made by the Commissioner for Housing published in the Australian Capital Territory Gazette ACT No 20 on 4 October 1989 as varied pursuant to Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987* and in effect at the date this instrument commences operation.

References to Social Security Act 1949

4. Sub-clause 4(1) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended:
 - (a) by omitting in the definition of "income" "Part X of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "Part 2.17 of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991*";
 - (b) by omitting in the definition of "independent person" "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*"; and
 - (c) by omitting in the definition of "prescribed authority" "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*".
5. Paragraph 10(1)(a) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*"

Calculation of "Basic Rent"

6. Subclause 17(3) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting paragraphs 17(3)(a) and 17(3)(b) and substituting the following paragraphs:

"(a) 20% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which does not exceed 50 % of ACT Average Weekly Earnings;

(aa) 23% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which exceeds 50% of ACT Average Weekly Earnings;

(b) 10% of dependent child payments paid to the tenant;"

7. Clause 17 of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by inserting the following sub-clause after sub-clause 17(3):

"(3A) In this clause "dependent child payments" means:

(a) family allowance supplement paid under the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991*;

(b) that part of a payment of a social security benefit or a social security pension payable under the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991* in respect of a dependent child; or

(c) that part of a service pension payable under the Commonwealth *Veterans Entitlements Act 1986* in respect of a child. "

8. Paragraph 17(3)(aa) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting "23%" and substituting "25%".

9. Subclause 17(3) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting paragraph 17(3)(aa) and substituting the following paragraphs:

"(aa) 25% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which exceeds 50% of ACT Average Weekly Earnings but does not exceed ACT Average Weekly Earnings;

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(ab) 30% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which exceeds ACT Average Weekly Earnings;"

Dated this 28 day of September 1992

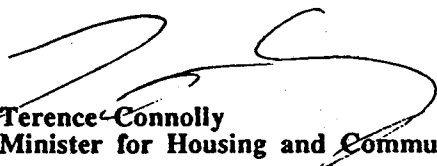


Lynette Grayson
Delegate of the Commissioner for Housing

APPROVAL

Under Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987* I APPROVE the variation to the Housing Assistance Program made by this Instrument.

Dated this 30 day of September 1992



Terence Connolly
Minister for Housing and Community Services

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