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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**BOOKMAKERS ACT 1985**

**INSTRUMENT NO. 103 of 1996**

**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

**DETERMINATION OF DIRECTIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF A SPORTS  
BETTING VENUE**

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**Minister for Sport and Recreation**

## **Outline**

The *Bookmakers Act 1985* (the Act) governs the activities of bookmakers in the Australian Capital Territory

Part IIIA of the Act provides for the conduct and control of sports betting. In particular, the legislation empowers the Minister to determine a place to be a sports betting venue.

Section 39B (2) of the Act provides that the Minister may determine directions for the operation of a determined sports betting venue.

This instrument varies the operational framework for the conduct of the sports betting service within the sports betting venues located at the Bruce Outdoor Stadium.

In particular, the instrument sets the operating times for sports betting bookmakers on 28 June 1996 for the Canberra Raiders home game

Determination No. 18 of 1996, published in Gazette No S43 of 14 March 1996 and Determination No 33 of 1996, published in Gazette No S72 of 19 April 1996, set the directions for the operation of a sports betting venue at the Bruce Outdoor Stadium.

This Determination provides for sports betting for licensed sports bookmakers to be available at the Bruce Outdoor Stadium on 28 June 1996.

## **Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications from this instrument. This instrument sets the overall operating framework for the sports betting service at the Bruce Outdoor Stadium. The establishment of which is expected to provide increased levels of turnover for the operators, resulting in enhanced returns to the Government.

The provision of a sports betting service by bookmakers at live sporting events will provide a unique addition to the services available at Bruce Stadium and represent a valuable opportunity for sports betting bookmakers to promote their services to clients