AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY DENTISTS REGISTRATION ACT 1931

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Dentists Registration Act 1931 (The Act) provides for the registration of persons engaged in Dental Practice.

This instrument revokes all existing determinations of fees payable under subsections 22(6)(e), 23A(1)(b), 23K(1)(b) and 23L(1)(b) of the Act and sets new fees.

1. Subsection 22(6)(e) provides for a determined fee to be paid where a person has lodged an application with the ACT Dental Board in accordance with section 22 of the Act for registration as a dentist.

The granting of registration by the Board where a person applies in accordance with section 22 is subject to the payment of that fee.

The current fee under subsection 22(6)(e) is \$100.00 and the recommended increase for this fee is \$106.00 which is indexed according to Consumer Price Index (CPI) and incorporates CPI from the previous fiscal year which had not been gazetted.

2. Subsection 23A(1)(b) provides for a requirement for a registered dentist to pay the determined fee on or before 1 July in each year.

Failure of a registered dentist to pay the annual fee will result in the Board cancelling the registration of that person under the provisions of subsection 23A(4).

The current fee under subsection 23A(1)(b) is \$70.00 and the recommended increase for this fee is \$80.00, this increase does not include CPI increases. The \$10.00 increase is for miscellaneous purposes primarily to facilitate a per capita levy on the Board to assist with funding the Australian Dental Council.

3. Subsection 23K(1)(b) provides for a determined fee to be paid where a person has lodged an application with the ACT Dental Board in accordance with section 23K of the Act for registration as a dental hygienist.

The granting of registration by the Board where a person applies in accordance with section 23K is subject to the payment of that fee.

The current fee under subsection 23K(1)(b) is \$21.00 and the recommended increase for this fee is \$22.00 according to CPI.

4. Subsection 23L(1)(b) provides for a requirement for a registered dental hygienist to pay the determined fee on or before 1 June in each year.

Failure of a registered dental hygienist to pay the annual fee will result in the Board cancelling the registration of that person under the provisions of subsection 23L(4).

The current fee under subsection 23L(1)(b) is \$10.00 and the recommended increase for this fee is \$11.00.