DETERMINATION OF FEES UNDER THE POISONS AND DRUGS (AMENDMENT) ACT [No.8] 1993 Nの 108 EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

OUTLINE

This determination sets out the fees (column 2) for the purposes (column 1) of Sections 47A, 47J and 47N of the Poisons and Drugs Act 1978.

Section 47A deals with applications for a licence to sell or manufacture a Schedule 7 poison. It sets out the requirements, in writing, to be supplied by an applicant who wishes to sell or manufacture Schedule 7 poisons. Details such as business name, address of premises, security arrangements and devices to be implemented, storage facilities and names and addresses of persons supervising the sale and/or manufacture of the poisons are required. Applications are required to be accompanied by the determined fee.

Section 47J deals with the renewal of a licence, prior to its expiration to sell or manufacture a Schedule 7 poison and requires that an application for renewal be made in writing and accompanied by the determined fee.

Section 47N deals with academic or professional programs of research that require authorisation for the possession or use of a Schedule 7 poison. Full details of the applicant's name, address, qualifications, location of the institution and details of other persons associated with the research are required in a written application. Specific details are required concerning the amount and strength of the particular poison required, the length of time that authorisation is sought, details of the use of the poison in the program, and arrangements for safe custody and storage of the poison. Research applications are required to be accompanied be a written description of the program, an estimated time of duration, a trial protocol, a signed statement of support and the determined fee.

The amendments to the Poisons and Drugs Act 1978 and the determination of fees will enable Schedule 7 substances to be more strictly controlled in the Territory.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The determination of fees will enable fees to be collected in regard to the issue of licences to possess, sell, manufacture or use a Schedule 7 substance in the Territory.

The fees, of \$27, are consistent with other CPI adjusted fees that have been through the Annual Review of Fees and Charges process.

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