Financial Management (Performance Criteria) Amendment 2007 (No 1)

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made under the

Financial Management Act 1996, s19D (Amendment of Performance Criteria)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This statement outlines the reasons for the amendment of performance criteria under section 19D of the *Financial Management Act 1996*.

Section 19D (3) (g) of the *Financial Management Act 1996* provides that the Minister may by instrument amend performance criteria if the Minister is satisfied that performance criteria (other than those stated in the Budget) should be adopted for the provision of outputs by the Department. Section 19D(5) states that an amendment of the performance criteria is undertaken by way of a notifiable instrument.

The ACT Department of Education and Training is amending the terminology for Output 2.1: Non Government Education accountability indicator b from:

b. Home education registration reviews completed within 3 months of receipt of an application.

to:

b. Home education registration reviews for provisionally registered children completed within three months after receipt of written notification of an intention to seek registration.

Changes to Part 5 .2 of the *Education Act 2004* required new procedures to be instituted for the conduct of home education reviews when a parent is registering for home education. There is now an initial application where provisional registration is granted. A letter is sent to the parent within three months to request written confirmation of intention to seek registration. Under the new indicator, the review will be completed within three months of receipt of confirmation of intention to seek registration. The new terminology more accurately reflects the measurement of the Department's output - the efficiency of Departmental processes in provision of home education registration.

This instrument is taken to have commenced on 1 January 2007.