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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

VICTIMS OF CRIME AMENDMENT REGULATION 2007 (No 1) SL2007-40

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Outline

The Victims of Crime Amendment Act 2007 introduces a \$10 levy on all offences, except parking offences, where a court fine is imposed. Part of the scheme also includes the Department of Territory and Municipal Services (TAMS) increasing traffic infringement notice penalties by \$10. This has been achieved by amending the Road Traffic (Offences) Regulation 2005. The penalty increase does not apply to parking offences.

Two offences that should not attract the \$10 levy do not appear in the list of excluded offences in the Act. The offences are items 35 and 36 of the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Regulation 2000.* Offence 35 relates to displaying a thing falsely resembling a parking ticket. Offence 36 relates to displaying a changed/damaged/defaced parking ticket.

This Regulation rectifies this matter by amending the *Victims of Crime Regulation 2000* to include these offences as prescribed offences in Schedule 1, Part 1.2 – see items 15 and 16 of Schedule 1, Part 1.2.

The Regulation is made under section 23 of the *Victims of Crime Act 1994*, which empowers the Executive to make regulations for the Act.

NOTES ON CLAUSES

Clause 1 Name of Regulation

This clause names the regulation as the *Victims of Crime Amendment Regulation 2007 (No 1).*

Clause 2 Commencement

This clause states that this regulation commences immediately after the commencement of the *Victims of Crime Amendment Act 2007.*

Clause 3 Legislation amended

This clause states that this regulation amends the *Victims of Crime Regulation* 2000.

Clause 4 Schedule 1, part 1.2

This clause omits Schedule 1, part 1.2 of the *Victims of Crime Regulation* 2000, and substitutes a new Schedule 1, part 1.2. Schedule 1, part 1.2 now includes items 14 and 15, which had been omitted from the previous Schedule 1, part 2.