## **Explanatory Statement**

## Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Official Visitors) Appointment 2008 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2008 - 208

made under the

Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994, Part 11 – Official Visitors, Subsection 121(1) (Appointment)

Section 121 (1) of the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* (the Act) allows for the Minister for Health to appoint one or more official visitors. Section 122 of the Act provides for the functions and duties; powers; and reports by Official Visitors.

This instrument makes appointments under the *Legislation Act 2001*. Accordingly, the instrument is a disallowable instrument.

This instrument appoints Mr Terry Melbourne, Mr Gerad Sandi and Ms Bernette Redwood as Official Visitors for a period of three years from the day after notification of the disallowable instrument on the ACT Legislation Register.

The appointment complies with the provisions of sections 121 (2) and 121(3) of the Act.

In accordance with paragraph 227(2)(a) of the *Legislation Act 2001* the appointments contained in this instrument are not public servant appointments.

The Standing Committee on Health and Disability has considered the appointments and made no comment.