

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDARD TIME AND SUMMERTIME (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE (NO.2) 1986.

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The Standard Time and Summer Time Ordinance 1972 (the Principal Ordinance) provides that standard time in the Territory is the mean time of the 150th meridian of longitude east of Greenwich, England and that summer time is one hour in advance of that time. In addition, the period during which daylight saving will apply is defined as starting at 2 o'clock in the morning standard time of the last Sunday in October in one year and ending at 2 o'clock in the morning standard time of the first Sunday in March of the next year.

The Standard Time and Summer Time (Amendment) Ordinance (No 2) 1986 (the Ordinance) amends the Principal Ordinance to provide that the period during which daylight saving will apply will be set each year by the Minister. It provides that the Minister may declare a period of daylight saving by notice in the Gazette.

Details of the Ordinance are as follows:

Sections 1 and 2 deal with interpretation.

Section 3 amends section 3 of the Principal Ordinance by substituting a new definition of "daylight saving period" which means a period so declared by the Minister under section 5A.

Section 4 amends the Principal Ordinance by inserting a new section 5A after section 5. The new section provides that the Minister may by notice in the Gazette declare a period to be a daylight saving period.

Section 5 repeals section 7 of the Principal Ordinance which extended the period of daylight saving at the start of 1986.