

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE (No.7) 1986.

No. 81 1986

The Australian Transport Advisory Council, an advisory body comprising Federal, State and Territory Transport Ministers, has recommended that the speed limit for heavy vehicles be the same as for other vehicles. Some States are reluctant to implement this recommendation in one stage and have decided to raise the speed limit for heavy vehicles to 90 km/h. New South Wales has decided to do this on and from 1 January 1987. At present the speed limit for heavy vehicles in the Territory is 80 km/h. It is desirable that the speed limit in the Territory be the same as it is in New South Wales.

The Motor Traffic (Amendment) Ordinance (No.7) 1986 ("the Amending Ordinance") amends the Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936 ("the Principal Ordinance") so that the speed limit for heavy vehicles in the Territory will be 90 km/h.

Details of the Amending Ordinance are set out below.

Section 1 deals with citation.

Section 2 provides that the Amending Ordinance shall come into operation on 1 January 1987.

Section 3 amends section 145 of the Principal Ordinance so that the speed limit for heavy vehicles in the Territory will be 90 km/h.

Ord 98/86