

# AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

## INTERPRETATION ORDINANCE (No. 2) 1972

### EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 42 of 1972

The main purpose of this Ordinance is to amend the Interpretation Ordinance 1967-1972 (the principal Ordinance) so as to take account of a rearrangement of Ministerial functions and changes in Departments with respect to the Australian Capital Territory.

The Ordinance provides, in respect of existing Ordinances hitherto administered by the Minister for the Interior which are now to be administered by the Minister for the Capital Territory, that references in such Ordinances to the Minister for the Interior, to the Secretary to the Department of the Interior and to the Department of the Interior are to be read as references to the Minister for the Capital Territory, the Secretary to the Department of the Capital Territory and to the Department of the Capital Territory, respectively.

The Ordinance also makes such other provisions with respect to references in existing Ordinances to the Minister for the Interior and the Minister for Education and Science as are required by the decisions to transfer function to the Attorney-General and to establish the Department of Education.

The Ordinance also makes like provisions with respect to instruments made under the existing Ordinances referred to above.

The Ordinance also amends section 23 of the principal Ordinance so as to make provision for the situation where another Minister acts on behalf of the Attorney-General. The principal Ordinance had failed to make this provision.