AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY SEWERAGE RATES ORDINANCE 1968

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 30 of 1968

The objective of the Sewerage Rates Ordinance 1968 is to impose sewerage rates in the Australian Capital Territory.

The Ordinance provides for the rating of all parcels of land to which sewerage services are available.

Rates will be payable by the lessee or tenant of each parcel of land each year, with proportional refund and payment where the lessees or tenants change during the year.

The rates will be \$10 per residence or flat plus a charge of \$10 for each flushing unit in excess of two in any other building. For schools, churches and similar institutions the charge is \$5 for each flushing unit in excess of two.

The Minister will be empowered to reduce or waive rates in appropriate circumstances or when it would be equitable to do so.

During the first twelve months of operation of the Ordinance, lessees may be required to furnish information of existing flushing units and inspectors appointed under the Ordinance will be able to enter onto land to verify the number of flushing units.

Penalties for specified offences are provided together with a power for the Minister to make regulations.

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