

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

AMENDMENT OF THE CANBERRA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL ORDINANCE

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 11 of 1959

The abovenamed Ordinance provides that in elections of the Hospital Board, the provisions of the Commonwealth Electoral Act applicable to Senate elections shall apply subject to certain exceptions and modifications. Such exceptions and modifications have been prescribed in the Regulations principally by reference to the A.C.T. Advisory Council Election Regulations.

It is desirable to amend the Canberra Community Hospital Ordinance in order that recent amendments of the Advisory Council legislation relating to disputed elections will apply in the Canberra Community Hospital Board elections. For legal reasons this must be done by amendment of the Ordinance, rather than the Regulations.

Accordingly the proposed amendment applies the provisions of the Advisory Council Ordinance and Advisory Council Election Regulations to the Hospital Board elections by Ordinance. The proposed amendment will also facilitate the drafting of regulations.

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Minister for Health.