AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

A.C.T. VENERAL DISEASES ORDINANCE 1956

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 9 of 1956

No control is exercised at present in the Australian Capital Territory over Venereal Diseases. All the State Governments have passed legislation dealing with this subject, to provide appropriate powers to control cases which may occur.

Advice is received from time to time from State Authorities that a person residing in the A.C.T. for the present was formerly receiving treatment in that State for such a disease. To provide suitable powers to deal with such cases and with isolated cases which may occur in the A.C.T. it is considered desirable to enact the abovementioned ordinance.

The proposed ordinance provides for the regular examination and subsequent treatment of persons suspected to be suffering from or suffering from Venereal Diseases.