AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ADVISORY COUNCIL ORDINANCE 1952

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 9 of 1952

The purpose of this amendment is to increase the number of elected members of the A.C.T. Advisory Council from three to five. Provision is made for the Minister to appoint two additional members under the same conditions as he appoints persons to fill vacancies. The additional members will hold office until the next election.

The opportunity has been taken to clarify an ambiguity in sub-section (4.) of section 5 of the Ordinance. Under that sub-section as it stands at present, the period for which members hold office is uncertain. To make the position clear, a provision has been inserted under which members are elected for a period of two years commencing on the 1st October, following their election.