EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

AMENDMENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

MEAT REGULATIONS

No. 14 of 1971

The Minister for Health has amended regulation 19 of the Australian Capital Territory Meat Regulations to change the branding requirements for meat slaughtered in the Australian Capital Territory.

The Territory imports a large quantity of meat from New South Wales with branding requirements significantly different from those formerly prescribed by regulation 19. The purpose of the amendment is to make Territory branding requirements substantially similar to those of New South Wales as to remove confusion over the different brands.

Whilst the colour, placement and shape of the brands for the Territory will now be similar to branding requirements in New South Wales, all meat produced in the Territory will continue to carry the letters "ACT".