AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ADVISORY COUNCIL ELECTION REGULATIONS

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 8 of 1967

Amendments to the Advisory Council Election Regulations have been necessary to maintain uniformity in the electoral legislation applicable to the Territory.

As in the Australian Capital Territory Electoral Regulations, the description of a witness has been widened to include, not only an elector, but also a person entitled to be enrolled on a Roll for the Australian Capital Territory, a State, or the Northern Territory; in Form 6, however, the description is even wider as it could be difficult for some applicants for postal vote certificates and postal ballot papers to have their signatures witnessed by such a person.

In conformity with the Commonwealth Electoral Act, ballot papers need not be kept until the next election but only until the election can no longer be queried, provided that the retention period is at least six months.

Decimal currency changes have been effected and, in Regulation 4A, where reference is made to fees in the Commonwealth Electoral Act, such reference is altered from $\pounds 25$ to \$200, consequent upon the amendment of the Act.

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