AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

COMMONWEALTH MOTOR OMNIBUS FARES REGULATIONS

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 6 of 1956

The Commonwealth Motor Omnibus Services Ordinance 1955 gave statutory authority for the first time to the omnibus service in Canberra. That Ordinance provided that the fares should be prescribed by regulations but that until regulations were made the fares chargeable immediately before the commencement of the Ordinance should continue to be fares chargeable.

The fares on the bus service are to be increased and it has therefore become necessary to make regulations covering the whole of the fares charged.

Under these regulations the ordinary adult fare on week days will be 6d. for the first section, plus 2d. for the second, third and fourth sections and 1d. for each additional section thereafter. The present fare is 6d. for the first section and 1d. for each additional section.

There will be a surcharge of 1d. per journey on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. This is so at present.

Fares for children will be one half the adult fare which is the case at present.

Fares for school children on buses specially provided for them will be as they are at present -1d. irrespective of the length of the journey.

Half fare will be payable on aged or invalid pensioners and certain students. This continues the present practice.

Children under five, incapacitated returned soldiers and members of the Police Force or employees in the Transport Section of the Department of the Interior while travelling on duty or to or from duty will be carried free. This follows present practice except that previously only children under three were carried free.