Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Maximum Taxi Fares for NSW Taxis in ACT Region Determination 2017

Disallowable Instrument DI2017-10

Made under the

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001, section 60 (Power to determine taxi fares)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 60 of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* allows the Minister to determine maximum taxi fares and ways of calculating maximum fares, relating to hiring or using a taxi.

The purpose of this instrument is to determine maximum fares for the hiring or use of NSW taxis licensed under the *Passenger Transport Act 1990* (NSW) and operating within the ACT region subject to section 221P of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002* (the **Regulation**).

The instrument is associated with the changes in regulatory arrangements under the Regulation as part of Phase 2 of the Taxi Industry Innovation Reforms, which permit NSW 'cross-border' taxis to operate in the ACT. The instrument continues the existing practice of allowing NSW maximum fares for hirings of NSW cross-border taxis, where the trip commences in the ACT for an interim transition period. These arrangements will apply for hirings until 30 April 2017. After that time, the fares for taxi hirings commencing in the Territory will be based on ACT regulated maximum taxi fares.

If the NSW Government deregulates taxi fares as part of its point-to-point transport reforms during the transition period, the fares for those hirings will be subject to the ACT regulated maximum taxi fares.

The instrument also addresses comments on Disallowable Instrument DI2016-198 Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Maximum Taxi Fares for NSW Taxis in ACT Region

Determination 2016 by Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) ('the Committee') in Scrutiny Report 1 of 14 December 2016.

The instrument is in force until it is amended or revoked.