Australian Capital Territory

**Veterinary Practice (Board) Appointment 2023 (No 1)**

**Disallowable instrument DI2023-70**

made under the

Veterinary Practice Act 2018, section 93 (Board membership)

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Part 7 of the *Veterinary Practice Act 2018* (the Act) establishes the Veterinary Practitioners Board (Board) and sets out its functions. Section 93 of the Act provides that the Board consists of seven members appointed by the Minister.

Under Section 94 of the Act, members can be appointed to the Board for a term of no longer than 3 years.

Section 93 of the Act provides the members that make up the Board.

Section 93(1)(d) of the Act provides for a member who is not a veterinary practitioner. Dr Kate Chetty is not a veterinary practitioner. Section 93(4) of the Act requires appointments made under Section 91(1)(c) and (d) must reside in the ACT. Dr Chetty resides in the ACT.

This instrument appoints Dr Chetty a member of the board for three years commencing the day after notification.

Section 96 of the Act provides that before appointing someone, other than a community representative, to the board the Minister must consult the board. The Minister has consulted the board on the appointment of Dr Chetty.

Dr Chetty is not a public servant. Division 19.3.3 of the *Legislation Act 2001* applies to this appointment. Prior to making this appointment, in accordance with section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001,* the Minister consulted the Legislative Assembly’s Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services who did not object to the appointment.