

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

PAROLE ACT 1976

APPOINTMENT

INSTRUMENT NO. 238 OF 1997

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Parole Act 1976* (the Act), amongst other things, governs the constitution and functions of the Parole Board of the ACT (the Board). The Board's function is to consider and make orders about the release of prisoners on parole, and the discipline of parolees. The establishment and constitution of the Board is provided for by section 9 of the Act. This requires that the Minister appoint a Chairperson and four other members, one of whom will be female and one of whom will be male. Section 9A stipulates that appointments may be for a period not exceeding three years.

This instrument appoints Mr Michael Alan Beattie as a member of the Board until 31 August 2000. This appointment fills a vacancy left following the recent resignation of a former member. Consultation occurred with the Standing Committee on Legal Affairs regarding the proposed appointment, and the Committee indicated it had no objection to it proceeding.

This instrument takes effect from the date of its notification in the Gazette.