

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ANIMAL DISEASES ACT 1993

DECLARATION NO 6 OF 1994

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Animal Diseases Act 1993, which repealed the Stock Diseases Act 1933 provides for the control of both endemic and exotic animal diseases. Under paragraph 21 (1)(c) of the Act the Minister is empowered to declare an endemic stock disease to be a disease for the purpose of section 28 of the Act.

Section 28 provides for the payment of compensation for destruction of stock infected with certain endemic diseases.

The destruction of an animal infected with an endemic stock disease to which section 28 of the Act applies is subject to compensation under a Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication Campaign agreement between the Commonwealth and the ACT.

The Declaration provides for bovine brucellosis and tuberculosis to be diseases for the purposes of section 28 of the Act.