1999 THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Ms Tucker)

Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) (Amendment) Bill 1999

A BILL

FOR

An Act to amend the Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) Act 1997

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) (Amendment) Act 1999.

2. Commencement

- (1) Sections 1, 2 and 3 commence on the day on which this Act is notified in the *Gazette*.
- (2) The remaining provisions commence on 31 March 1999.

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3. Principal Act

In this Act, "Principal Act" means the Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) Act 1997.

4. Interpretation

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Section 3 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting the definition of "premises" and substituting the following definition:

"'premises' means premises that may lawfully be used for residential purposes;".

5. Not applicable to certain premises

Section 5 of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting from paragraph (1) (a) "situated in a mobile home park";
- (b) by inserting in paragraph (1) (f) "or an approved provider within the meaning of the Aged Care Act 1997 of the Commonwealth" after "Commonwealth"; and
- (c) by omitting from subsection (2) the definition of "mobile home park".

6. Energy efficiency rating statement

Section 7 of the Principal Act is amended—

- (a) by omitting from subsection (4) "are attached to" and substituting "form part of"; and
- (b) by adding at the end the following subsection:
 - "(5) In this section—

'energy efficiency rating statement' means an energy efficiency rating statement that is not false or misleading in a material particular.".

7. Insertion

After section 7 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

"7A. Offences in the preparation of energy efficiency rating statements

- "(1) A person shall not, knowingly or recklessly, prepare an energy efficiency rating statement that—
 - (a) is false or misleading in a material particular; or
- (b) omits anything without which the statement is misleading in a material particular.

Penalty:

- (a) if the offender is a natural person—5 penalty units;
- (b) if the offender is a body corporate—25 penalty units.
- "(2) A person shall not knowingly or recklessly give to another person, for the purpose of the preparation of an energy efficiency statement, information or a document that—
 - (a) is false or misleading in a material particular; or
 - (b) omits anything without which the information or document is misleading in a material particular.
- 10 Penalty:
 - (a) if the offender is a natural person—5 penalty units;
 - (b) if the offender is a body corporate—25 penalty units.".

NOTES

Principal Act

1. Act No. 121, 1997. See also Act No. 73, 1998.

Penalty units

See section 33AA of the Interpretation Act 1967.

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