



AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

## Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Act 1991

No. 47 of 1991

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### An Act to amend the *Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act 1963*

[Notified in ACT Gazette S97: 30 September 1991]

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

#### Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Act 1991*.

#### Commencement

2. This Act commences on a day fixed by the Minister by notice in the *Gazette*.

#### Principal Act

3. In this Act, “Principal Act” means the *Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act 1963*.<sup>1</sup>

**Certificate of death to be furnished by medical practitioner**

**4. Section 34 of the Principal Act is amended—**

- (a)** by omitting paragraph (5) (e) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(e) died during or within 72 hours after, or as a result of—

- (i) an operation of a medical, surgical, dental or like nature; or
- (ii) an invasive medical or diagnostic procedure;”;

- (b)** by inserting in paragraph (5) (f) “or her” after “his”;

- (c)** by omitting paragraph (5) (h) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(h) died—

- (i) in a prison, a remand centre within the meaning of the *Remand Centres Act 1976*, or a lock-up; or
- (ii) while the subject of emergency procedures, or while subject to a treatment order, under the *Mental Health Act 1983*;”;

- (d)** by inserting after subsection (5) the following subsection:

“(5A) In paragraph (5) (e) a reference to—

- (a) an operation of a medical, surgical, dental or like nature; or
- (b) an invasive medical or diagnostic procedure;

shall be read as a reference to such an operation or procedure within the meaning of paragraph 11 (1) (e) of the *Coroners Act 1956*, as construed in accordance with regulations (if any) made for the purposes of subsection 11 (1A) of that Act.”.

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**NOTE**

1. Ordinance No. 17, 1963 as amended by No. 19, 1966; No. 47, 1974; No. 29, 1975; Nos. 18, 50 and 58, 1977; No. 17, 1979; Nos. 24 and 40, 1980; No. 32, 1981; Nos. 52 and 80, 1982; No. 41, 1983; Nos. 8 and 31, 1986; No. 51, 1987; Nos. 62 and 92, 1988; Nos. 21, 29 and 38, 1989; Act No. 23, 1990.

*[Presentation speech made in Assembly on 15 August 1991]*