

## **Duties (Landholders) Amendment Act** 2012

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An Act to amend the Duties Act 1999

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

#### 1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Duties (Landholders) Amendment Act 2012*.

#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on 1 July 2012.

*Note* The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on

the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).

#### 3 Legislation amended

This Act amends the Duties Act 1999.

### 4 Definitions—pt 3.2 Section 78, definition of associated person

omit

and section 86 (2)

### 5 Meaning of *entity*—pt 3.2 Section 78A (c)

omit

#### 6 Section 78A, note

substitute

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## 7 Constructive ownership of landholdings and other property—linked entities Section 81 (2) (a) (iii)

omit

20%

insert

50%

## 8 Constructive ownership of landholdings and other property—linked entities Section 81 (2) (a) (iv) and (b)

omit

, a wholesale unit trust scheme

### 9 Interest and significant interest in landholders—pt 3.2 Section 83 (2)

omit everything after

would be entitled

substitute

to at least 50% of the property distributed.

### 10 What is a *relevant acquisition*?—pt 3.2 Section 86 (2), except note

omit

#### 11 Section 86 (3), definition of *qualifying investor*

omit

### 12 Registration of unit trust schemes Part 3.2A

omit

### Objections Section 252 (I) to (s)

omit

#### 14 New chapter 18

insert

# Chapter 18 Transitional—Duties (Landholders) Amendment Act 2012

#### 460 Definitions—ch 18

In this chapter:

amending Act means the Duties (Landholders) Amendment Act 2012.

commencement day means the day the amending Act commences.

*new provisions* means chapter 3 as amended by the amending Act.

#### 461 Changes to duty on acquisitions in landholders

If a person acquires an interest in a landholder on or after the commencement day, acquisitions made before the commencement day are to be counted for the purpose of determining whether the person has made a relevant acquisition in the landholder under the new provisions.

#### 462 Transitional regulations—ch 18

- (1) A regulation may prescribe transitional matters necessary or convenient to be prescribed because of the enactment of the amending Act.
- (2) A regulation may modify this chapter (including in its operation in relation to another territory law) to make provision in relation to anything that, in the Executive's opinion, is not, or is not adequately or appropriately, dealt with by this chapter.
- (3) A regulation under subsection (2) has effect despite anything elsewhere in this Act.

#### 463 Expiry—ch 18

This chapter expires 2 years after the commencement day.

#### 15 Dictionary, definition of associated person, paragraph (b)

omit

and section 86 (2)

#### 16 Dictionary, definition of disqualifying circumstance

omit

#### 17 Dictionary, definition of *private unit trust scheme*

omit

or wholesale unit trust scheme

### Dictionary, definition of *public unit trust scheme*, paragraph (c)

omit

#### 19 Dictionary, definition of *registered*

omit

#### 20 Dictionary, definition of responsible entity

substitute

responsible entity—see the Corporations Act, section 9.

#### 21 Dictionary, definition of wholesale unit trust scheme

omit

#### 22 Dictionary, definition of widely held trust

substitute

widely held trust means a unit trust scheme that has not less than 300 unit holders none of whom, individually or with an associated person, is entitled to more than 20% of the units in the trust, and for the purposes of this definition—

- (a) if a registered unit holder in a unit trust scheme holds units as a trustee for 2 or more trusts the unit holder is treated as a separate registered unit holder in relation to each of those trusts and the units held under each trust are to be treated as a separate unit holding; but
- (b) a trustee is not treated as a separate registered unit holder in relation to 2 or more trusts if, as separate registered unit holders in relation to those trusts, they would be associated persons.

#### **Endnotes**

#### 1 Presentation speech

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 10 May 2012.

#### 2 Notification

Notified under the Legislation Act on 18 June 2012.

#### 3 Republications of amended laws

For the latest republication of amended laws, see www.legislation.act.gov.au.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Duties (Landholders) Amendment Bill 2012, which was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 7 June 2012.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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