



Australian Capital Territory

# Public Health Amendment Act 2020 (No 2)

A2020-35

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An Act to amend the *Public Health Act 1997*

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

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Authorised by the ACT Parliamentary Counsel—also accessible at [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au)

## 1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Public Health Amendment Act 2020 (No 2)*.

## 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day after its notification day.

*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 *Public Health Act 1997*.

## 4 Determination of fees New section 137 (1A) and (1B)

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(1A) A fee (a *quarantine fee*) may be determined in relation to costs incurred, or to be incurred, by the Territory in relation to a requirement for a person to quarantine at a place other than the person's home because of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2.

*Note* Power to make a statutory instrument (including a determination) about a particular matter does not limit power to make a determination about any other matter (see [Legislation Act](#), s 44 (3)).

(1B) If a person required to pay a quarantine fee asks for payment of the fee to be in instalments, deferred or waived, in considering the request, the Minister must take into account the person's circumstances, including whether they are suffering financial hardship.

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## Endnotes

**1 Presentation speech**

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 23 July 2020.

**2 Notification**

Notified under the [Legislation Act](#) on 5 August 2020.

**3 Republications of amended laws**

For the latest republication of amended laws, see [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au).

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I certify that the above is a true copy of the Public Health Amendment Bill 2020 (No 2), which was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 30 July 2020.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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