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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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(As presented)

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## Legislation Amendment Bill 2005

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### A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Legislation Act 2001*

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

**1 Name of Act**

This Act is the *Legislation Amendment Act 2005*.

**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 *Legislation Act 2001*.

**4 New chapter 5A**

*insert*

## **Chapter 5A Explanatory statements**

**38A Meaning of *explanatory statement* for ch 5A**

In this chapter, an *explanatory statement*, for a bill that is presented to the Legislative Assembly, is a document that—

- (a) explains the policy intent of the bill; and
- (b) describes the legal effect of the individual clauses of the bill; and
- (c) includes other matters that the member who presents the bill wishes to include—
  - (i) for the information of the Assembly; or
  - (ii) as an aid to interpretation under section 142 (Non-legislative context—material that may be considered).

- 1     **38B       Explanatory statement to accompany bill**
- 2               When a member of the Legislative Assembly presents a bill to the
- 3               Assembly, the member must also present an explanatory statement.
- 4     **38C       Explanatory statement to include consultation report**
- 5               The explanatory statement must include a report on the consultation
- 6               that has been undertaken.
- 7               **Examples of consultation**
- 8               1     consultation with community groups
- 9               2     consultation with individuals who may be affected by the legislation
- 10              3     consultation with government agencies or departments
- 11              *Note*     An example is part of the Act, is not exhaustive and may extend, but
- 12                        does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears (see
- 13                        s 126 and s 132).
- 14     **5         Dictionary part 2, new definition of *explanatory statement***
- 15               *insert*
- 16               *explanatory statement*, for chapter 5A (Explanatory statements)—
- 17               see section 38A.

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## Endnotes

**1 Presentation speech**

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 2005.

**2 Notification**

Notified under the Legislation Act on 2005.

**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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