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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 1999

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS

SUBORDINATE LAW NO. 36 OF 1999

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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BACKGROUND

The ACT Legislative Assembly passed the *Emergency Management Act 1999* on Tuesday 7 December 1999. It was notified in the ACT Gazette S on 23 December 1999. The substantive provisions of the Act commenced on the 24 December 1999.

Section 80 of the Act provides that the Executive may make Regulations for the purposes of the Act.

Division 3 of Part VI of the Act provides for the calculations of an ambulance levy payable by a health benefits organisation based on the number of contributors, other than contributors whose contributions are classed as exempt contributions.

Subsection 54(1) of the Act provides for a number of classes of persons whose contributions are exempt contributions.

PURPOSE OF THE REGULATIONS

When the *Emergency Management Act 1999* commencement provisions are notified in the Gazette the existing *Ambulance Service Levy Act 1990*, as amended, will be repealed. As a consequence the Regulations made under the *Ambulance Service Levy Act 1990* would also be repealed.

It is essential that these Ambulance Service Levy Regulations continue, but as Regulations under the provisions of the *Emergency Management Act 1999*, which incorporates the repealed Ambulance Service Levy Act provisions.

Regulation 1

Names the Regulations as the *Emergency Management Regulations 1999*.

Regulation 2

Provides for the commencement of the Regulations at the commencement of Division 3 of Part VI of the Act.

Regulation 3

Defines the Act as the *Emergency Management Act 1999*.

Regulation 4

Defines the classes of persons whose contributions are recognised as exempt contributions under the provision of subsection 54(1).