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ANIMAL DISEASES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1996

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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### **OUTLINE**

The Animal Diseases (Amendment) Bill 1996 (the Bill) is an amending Bill. It amends the Animal Diseases Act 1993 (the Act)

The Act provides for the control of exotic and endemic diseases in animals. The Bill will repeal the Apiaries Act 1928 and will provide that the provisions of the Act may be applied to any outbreak of an exotic or endemic disease that could infect apiaries.

### **Revenue and Cost implications**

The Bill has no revenue or cost implications

### **Details of Bill**

#### **Clauses 1, 2 and 3**

Clauses 1, 2 and 3 are formal clauses that specify the short title of the Bill, provide that the Bill will commence on notification in the ACT Gazette and identify the Act that the Bill will amend

#### **Clause 4**

Clause 4 will amend section 4 of the Act to omit the existing definition of the term 'animal' and will substitute a definition that will have wider application. The term 'animal' as amended will include a vertebrate and an invertebrate, the carcass of an animal and the product of an animal from which another animal could be produced

#### **Clause 5**

Clause 5 will repeal the Apiaries Act 1928