

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

ANIMAL DISEASES BILL 1993

SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Amendment to be moved on behalf of the Government

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Outline

The Animal Diseases Bill 1993 (the Bill) provides for the control of endemic and exotic diseases of animals and for related purposes. The Bill also empowers the Minister to appoint a Director of Veterinary Hygiene.

Subclause 5(1) of the Bill empowers the Minister to appoint a public servant to be Director of Veterinary Hygiene. Subclause 5(1) states:

"The Minister shall, by instrument, appoint a public servant to be the Director of Veterinary Hygiene."

The proposed amendment will alter subclause 5(1) by inserting the words "who is a veterinary surgeon".

The effect of this amendment is that the person appointed must be a public servant who is also a veterinary surgeon. The Bill defines 'veterinary surgeon' to mean:

"a person who is registered or licensed as a veterinary surgeon under a law of a State or Territory."

Financial Implications

This amendment has no financial implications.