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STOCK DISEASES REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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The Stock Diseases Regulations give effect to provisions of the *Stock Diseases Act 1933* ("the Act") controlling the movement of stock into the Australian Capital Territory.

The Stock Diseases Regulations (Amendment) is required to support new provisions of the *Stock Diseases Act 1933*, following the recent amendment of that Act.

Subsection 11A(2) of the *Stock Diseases Act 1933*, which deals with a tail tagging system for stock in the Australian Capital Territory, provides that stock which is specified as defined stock, under section 11B of the Act, is to be taken to be tagged if it is tagged with a tag granted or issued under a prescribed law of a State or another Territory.

The Stock Diseases Regulations (Amendment) identifies those laws of the States and Territories which are prescribed laws for the purposes of the *Stock Diseases Act 1933*. These laws provide for a uniform system of stock tag identification which is an essential element in the success of national programs to eradicate stock diseases such as bovine tuberculosis.

Details of the Regulations are included in the Attachment.

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Regulation 1 provides that commencement of the Stock Diseases Regulations (Amendment) is to be concurrent with the commencement of section 16 of the *Stock Diseases (Amendment) Act 1991*. Section 16 of that Act inserts the new "Part IV - Stock Tags" into the *Stock Diseases Act 1933*.

Regulation 2 inserts into the Stock Diseases Regulations a new regulation 3A to provide that for the purposes of the *Stock Diseases Act 1933* a prescribed law means a law of a State or Territory as listed in this Regulation.