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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL
TERRITORY**

**STOCK REGULATION 2005
SUBORDINATE LAW NO SL2005-17**

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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This Explanatory Statement relates to the *Stock Regulation 2005* (the Regulation) as introduced into the Legislative Assembly.

Overview

The regulation will coincide with the introduction of the *Stock Act 2005*. The *Stock Act 2005* will support operations in the primary industry sector, particularly in terms of management of stock ownership and animal health issues appropriate with the identification, movement and impounding of stock.

The Regulatory provisions of the *Stock Regulation 2005* provide a minimum stock levy as well as provisions that specify where permanent brands on a horse and large stock can be placed. At present the stock levy has been suspended until farming conditions improve. Once farming conditions improve, the levy will be set so as to recover the costs of administering it. A stock levy is determined according to the stock carrying capacity of a property. The levy is a contribution to the costs of providing government services to the primary industry sector, such as agronomic advice and veterinary services.

Clauses

Section 1 – Name of regulation

This section provides that the regulation is the *Stock Regulation 2005*.

Section 2 – Commencement

This section provides that the regulation commences on the commencement of the *Stock Act 2005*.

Section 3 – Notes

This section provides that notes are explanatory and not part of this regulation.

Section 4 – Minimum stock levy

This section provides that the minimum stock levy for a small landholding is nil or in any other case \$40.00. A small land holding means land of less than 10 hectares or land that has a stock-carrying capacity of less than 50, worked out using a standard dry sheep equivalent measure based on a 50kg merino wether.

Section 5 – Placement of permanent brands

This section outlines the places where a permanent brand may be placed on a horse and large stock (other than horses).