

Legislative Assembly Precincts (Licence Fees) Determination 2006

Disallowable instrument DI2006-89

made under the

***Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001*, section 11A (Determination of Fees)**

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Legislative Assembly Precincts Amendment Act 2006* (the Act) amends the *Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001* (the Precincts Act) to enable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly to grant licences to persons to use parts of the Legislative Assembly building.

Under the Land (Planning and Environment) Act, licences to use Territory facilities, including the Assembly building, could only be issued by the Minister for Planning. This presented practical difficulties and was inconsistent with the spirit of the Precincts Act, which provides for the administration of the Assembly precincts to be under the control of the Speaker.

Section 4 of the Act inserts a new section 11A into the Precincts Act to enable the Speaker to determine fees for the purposes of the Act. The fees differ from those prescribed in the Land (Planning and Environment) (Fees) Determination 2005 (No 1) (DI2005-117) in that they more closely reflect the actual cost to the Assembly of providing the facilities (eg, the cost of providing security). The fees compare favorably with those charged for the use of similar facilities in the city area.

The fees take effect on the day after notification on the ACT Legislation Register.

The determination under section 11A of the Precincts Act is a disallowable instrument.