Australian Capital Territory

Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) (Dimensions of Vehicles or Combinations) Determination 2006 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2006-120

made under the

Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) Act 1990, Section 57 (Determinations)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Legislative Context

Section 57(2) of the *Road Transport (Dimensions and Mass) Act 1990* (the Act) allows the Minister to make determinations, for the purpose of prescribing dimensions of vehicles, together with any equipment or load carried on or attached to the vehicle.

<u>Determination</u>

This determination sets vehicle dimension limits for the purposes of the Act. Schedule 1 fixes the dimensions of vehicles other than width and Schedule 2 fixes the width of vehicles. The dimension limits include any equipment or load carried on or attached to the vehicle.

The previous determination made in 1996, was outdated and required amendment to update vehicle dimensions that had increased and to correctly reference Sections of the Act.

Vehicles or combinations, which exceed the dimension limits in this determination may only operate in the ACT if a permit has been issued in respect of the particular vehicle or combination under section 27 of the Act, or if an exemption notice has been made by the Minister in relation to the class of vehicle or combination under section 31A of the Act.

The dimension limits set out in the schedule are nationally uniform and have been adopted by all other jurisdictions under State and Territory legislation.

The setting of dimension limits by determination provides the ACT with flexibility to adopt any changes to vehicle dimensions that have been agreed nationally without undue delay.

The instrument takes effect on the day after notification on the legislation register.