Explanatory Statement

Public Health Act - Fees - Determination 2002 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2002—217

made under the

Public Health Act 1997, s 137 (Determination of fees)

This instrument revokes all previous determinations of fees under this Act.

The *Public Health Act 1997* ('the Act') provides for the licensing and registration of public health risk activities.

The Act empowers the Minister under section 137, by notice published in the Legislation Register, to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

This instrument sets fees for the application, renewal and transfer of all licensable or registrable public health risk activities, specifically:

- (i) Boarding houses;
- (ii) Hairdressing;
- (iii) Infection control;
- (iv) Health care facilities;
- (v) Operation of a drinking water facility; and
- (vi) Cooling towers and warm water storage systems.

In addition, the determination exempts charities and benevolent institutions from having to pay the determined fees for the public health risk activities of (i) to (iii) and (vi) above. Also, general practitioners who hold an accreditation certificate from an authorised body that accredits general practitioners against the Royal Australian College of General Practice Standards for Accreditation are exempt from the determined fee if the accreditation they hold is current at the time of application, renewal or transfer of an infection control licence.

A determination under section 137 is a disallowable instrument