

Explanatory Statement

Health Professionals (Fees) Determination 2007 (No 11)

Disallowable instrument DI2007–299

made under the

Health Professionals Act 2004, s 132 (Determination of fees)

The *Health Professionals Act 2004* (*the Act*) is an Act to protect the public from risk of harm by ensuring that the people who provide health services regulated by this Act are competent to provide health services, and for other purposes.

Section 132 of the Act provides the Health Professional Boards with the power to determine fees for the purpose of the Act. This instrument revokes the previous fees notified in DI2007-16 and sets fees for the ACT Optometrists Board.

This instrument sets fees for registration of persons under Section 112 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for short term registration under section 115A of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for late payment of annual renewal under section 127 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for retrospective re-registration under section 128 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for provision of a duplicate certificate under section 122 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, for alteration to the register under section 156 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004, and fee for an extract from the register under section 155 of the Health Professionals Regulation 2004.

The fees are to meet the agreed costs of operating the Health Professions Boards Secretariat and carrying out the functions of the Board. The fees are unchanged from those applying under the previous instrument except for the following two fees relating to late payments:

Fee for late payment of annual renewal (under Section 127) is increased from \$255 to \$280, which is \$25 more than the fee paid by the due date.

Fee for retrospective re-registration (under Section 128) is reduced from \$500 to \$350, which is \$95 more than the fee paid by the due date and includes backdating the registration.