## THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

# BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES REGISTRATION AMENDMENT REGULATION 2009 (No 1) SL2009-58

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT** 

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### Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Amendment Regulation 2009 (No 1)

#### **Outline**

The *Civil Partnerships Amendment Act 2009 (No.2)* makes several significant amendments to the *Civil Partnerships Act 2008* (the Act), including amendments to provisions that allow same sex couples to enter into a civil partnership by making a declaration before a civil partnerships notary.

A number of amendments to the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997* ensure the proper registration of all civil partnerships entered into under the Civil Partnerships Act. This regulation makes consequential amendments to the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Regulation 1998.* 

Section 70 of the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997* provides that the Executive may make regulations for this Act.

#### **Summary of clauses**

- **1 Name of regulation** this Regulation is the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Amendment Regulation 2009 (No 1).*
- **2 Commencement** provides for the Regulation to commence when the *Civil Partnerships Amendment Act 2009 (No 2)* commences.
- **3 Legislation amended** this Regulation amends the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Regulation 1998.*
- **4 Section 8A(1)** omits a reference to section 32AA(4) of the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997*, as that provision has been repealed.
- **5 Section 8A(1)(b)** substitutes a new paragraph 8A(1)(b) to ensure that the particulars required to be provided under section 32AA(2) of the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1998*, as amended, are provided.
- **6 Section 8A(2)** is omitted. The matters contained in this provision have been moved to section 8A(1)(b).