

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**  
**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**  
**REMUNERATION (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1988**

**NO. 50 OF 1988**

The Remuneration Ordinance 1976 ("the Principal Ordinance") prescribes fees and allowances payable to members of prescribed statutory authorities in the Territory. The Remuneration (Amendment) Ordinance 1988 ("the Ordinance") introduces into the Principal Ordinance the 1986 determination made by the Remuneration Tribunal in relation to fees and allowances payable to part-time office holders. The Ordinance also revises the conditions under which payment may be made to part-time office holders, in accordance with the Tribunal's determination.

The provisions of the Ordinance have retrospective effect to enable payment of increased fees and allowances to be made from the date of the determination.

Details of each provision of the Ordinance are set out in the attachment.

**ISSUED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE  
MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE ARTS  
AND TERRITORIES**

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Section 1 cites the title of the Ordinance as the Remuneration (Amendment) Ordinance 1988.

Section 2 deems the Ordinance to have been in operation since 1 July 1986.

Section 3 defines the Remuneration Ordinance 1976 as the Principal Ordinance.

Section 4 deals with interpretation. In particular it increases the relevant fee, in the case of a chairman of a prescribed authority, from \$169 to \$173, while in the case of a member of a prescribed authority who is not a chairman, the relevant fee increases from \$136 to \$139. "Relevant fee" is used in the Principal Ordinance to calculate the fees payable for attendance at meetings and other business.

Section 5 omits subsections 3(3), (4), (5), (6) and (7) and substitutes new subsections, as well as amending subsection 3(8), as follows:

New subsection 3(3) provides that the calculation of the amount payable to a member of a prescribed authority engaged in one or more meetings of the authority, on any day, is to be in accordance with new subsection 3(4).

New subsection 3(4) provides for the fees to be paid for a meeting or the aggregated duration of two or more meetings held on any one day. The relevant fee is to be paid for a meeting or meetings, the aggregate duration of which is at least 3 hours. Three-fifths of the relevant fee is to be paid in the case of the aggregate duration being between 2 and 3 hours. Where the aggregate duration is less than 2 hours, two-fifths of the relevant fee is to be paid.

New subsection 3(5) provides for the payment of the relevant fee to a member of a prescribed authority engaged in approved business of the authority where the period engaged in is at least 3 hours.

New subsection 3(6) provides that where a member of a prescribed authority is attending, on any day, a meeting or meetings of the authority and is engaged in approved business of the authority, the aggregate duration of which is at least 3 hours, the member shall be paid the relevant fee.

New subsection 3(7) provides that where a member of a prescribed authority is attending, on any day, a meeting or meetings of the authority and is engaged in approved business of the authority, the aggregate duration of which is between 2 and 3 hours, the member shall be paid three-fifths of the relevant fee.

New subsection 3(7A) provides that where a member of a prescribed authority is engaged with the approval of the authority, on business of the authority for periods of between 1 and 3 hours, provided it is not on a day on which there a meeting of the authority, and the aggregate of these periods is not less than 5 hours, the member shall be paid the relevant fee.

New subsection 3(7B) provides that a member of a prescribed authority shall not be paid more than the relevant fee in respect of any one day.

Subsection 3(8) is amended by substituting in paragraph 8(a) \$115 for \$110 and \$89 for \$85 in paragraph 8(b).