

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE (NO 5) 1985 NO. 49 OF 1985

The Motor Traffic (Amendment) Ordinance (No 5) 1985 ("the Ordinance") will amend the Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936 ("the principal Ordinance") to change the definition of "voucher machine" in the principal Ordinance and to enable parking meter and parking voucher charges to be determined by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.

Sub-sections 12(9A) and (9B) of the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910 provides for determinations of fees and charges under Territory Ordinances to be laid before Parliament and for them to be subject to Parliamentary disallowance:

Sections 1 and 2 of the proposed Ordinance will deal with its citation and interpretation.

Section 3 of the proposed Ordinance amends sub-section 149(1) of the principal Ordinance to provide that parking vouchers should bear the words "Registrar of Motor Vehicles" in place of the words "Department of the Capital Territory". This ensures that new vouchers will not have to be printed whenever the name of the (now) Department of Territories changes.

Section 4 of the Ordinance repeals section 163C of the principal Ordinance, which prescribed types of parking meters, and substitutes a new section 163C, which provides as follows:

- . Sub-section 163C(1) consists of two paragraphs:
 - paragraph 163C(1)(a) provides that when a coin or coins of an amount equal to the fee determined by the Minister pursuant to section 217A of the existing Ordinance ("the determined fee") are inserted into a parking meter, then the meter will display an "expired" sign only after the period specified by the Minister in the determination ("the specified period"); and
 - paragraph 163C(1)(b) provides that when a coin or coins of an amount equal to a multiple of the determined fee are inserted into a parking meter, then the meter will display an "expired" sign only after a period proportionally longer than the specified period;
- . Sub-section 163C(2) also consists of two paragraphs:
 - paragraph 163C(2)(a) provides for one parking voucher to be issued upon the insertion into a voucher machine of a coin or coins of an amount equal to the determined fee for vouchers; and

- paragraph 163C(2)(b) provides for two parking vouchers to be issued upon the insertion into a voucher machine of a coin or coins of an amount equal to twice the determined fee for vouchers;
- . Sub-section 163C(3) provides that when the Minister determines a fee for the purposes of proposed sub-section 163C(1) (pursuant to section 217A of the existing Ordinance) the determination may specify a period for the purposes of that sub-section; and
- . Sub-section 163C(4) defines "specified period" for the purposes of sub-section 163C(1) as being the period specified pursuant to sub-section 163C(3).

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