

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
HEALTH COMMISSION (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1984
EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

No.20 of 1984

The Health Commission (Amendment) Ordinance 1984 (the amending Ordinance) amends the Health Commission Ordinance 1975 (the principle Ordinance) by repealing certain sections of the principle Ordinance the substantive provisions of which will be applied to the Capital Territory Health Commission by amendments to the Audit Regulations.

Sections 1 and 2 of the amending Ordinance provides for procedural matters.

Section 3 provides for sections 70, 71, 72 and 73 of the principle Ordinance to be repealed.

These sections provide for the keeping of bank accounts, the manner of keeping accounts, reporting and auditing of the Commission activities.

The Minister for Finance has determined that all Statutory Authorities should, as far as practical, have identical requirements as to the keeping of accounts, auditing and reporting. Provisions similar to those contained in sections 70-73 of the Ordinance are included in Division 3 of part XI of the Audit Act 1901 being sections 63J-63M. The Audit Regulations may provide for the application of these provisions as amended to prescribe statutory authorities. It is proposed that the Regulations will be made to apply the provisions of the Audit Act to the Capital Territory Health Commission.

In its application to the Capital Territory Health Commission, Section 63M of the Audit Act will be amended to require tabling of the Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Commission, together with a copy of the Report of the Auditor General on such Financial Statement in the ACT House of Assembly in addition to both Houses of Parliament.

It is proposed that the Amending Ordinance will become operative on the same day as the amendments to the Audit Regulations are gazetted.

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