Road Transport (General) (Vehicle Registration and Related Fees) Determination 2010 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2010-27

made under the

Road Transport (General) Act 1999, Section 96 (Determination of fees, charges and other amounts)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 96 of the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* allows the Minister to determine fees, charges and other amounts payable under the ACT road transport legislation.

This instrument has the effect of determining fees, payable in advance, for transactions relating to vehicle registration and related fees under the road transport legislation.

In February 2008 the Australian Transport Council approved the national heavy vehicle registration charges to be implemented by all States and Territories. This fee determination affects the registration charges for heavy vehicles including prime mover and trailer categories. These changes are to:

- Replace the medium and long combination prime mover categories with a single multicombination prime mover category, and
- Replace the single trailer axle charging system to a charging system based on trailer type and number of axles.

Prime movers that have been nominated as a medium combination or long combination configuration will be re-configured as multi-combination prime movers. Heavy trailers will be re-classified based on trailer type (i.e. Dog, Pig, Lead/Middle, Semi or Dolly) and the number of axles, because of these changes the registration fee for heavy vehicles will change.

Determination of the new registration fee is based on the description of the vehicle. Some fees have increased by up to 238% while others have decreased by 63%. This determination brings heavy vehicle registration fees charged in the ACT into line with the heavy vehicle registration fees charged interstate.

There has been no increase in other vehicle registration and related fees.

This determination is a disallowable instrument and must be presented to the Legislative Assembly within 6 sitting days after its notification pursuant to section 64 of the *Legislation Act 2001*.