Australian Capital Territory

Unlawful Gambling (Unlawful Game) Declaration 2010 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2010–30

made under the

Unlawful Gambling Act 2009 section 7(2) (Declaration of an unlawful game)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Unlawful Gambling Act 2009 (the Act) regulates unlawful gambling in the ACT.

Section 7 of the Act provides a general definition of an unlawful game which includes any games declared by the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission (the Commission). Subsection 7(2) of the Act provides that the Commission may declare a game to be an unlawful game.

This provision is intended to create certainty about a particular game where there may be some doubt if it falls under the general description. It also allows the declaration of games designed specifically for betting to be consistently unlawful where otherwise they may have only been captured by the general description in some circumstances.

The meaning of each of the declared unlawful games is their dictionary, usual cultural and/or gambling meaning, noting that there are historical as well as newer forms of the games and it is intended that all forms of the games be unlawful.