

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

HEALTH PROFESSIONS BOARDS (PROCEDURES) (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE

1983

Ordinance No. 64 of 1983

*Approved
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The Health Professions Boards (Procedures) (Amendment) Ordinance 1983 (the amending Ordinance) amends the Health Professions Boards (Procedures) Ordinance 1981 (the principal Ordinance) by making provision for the Minister for Health to direct a Board established under the respective health professions registration Ordinances to conduct an inquiry.

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

Section 3 of the amending Ordinance inserts a new section into the principal Ordinance to empower the Minister to direct a Board to conduct an inquiry.

Amending section 22A(1) empowers the Minister to direct a Board, by notice in writing to the Chairman of a specified Board as defined in section 3 of the principal Ordinance, to conduct proceedings into the matter specified in the notice.

Amending sub-section (2) requires the Board to hold such an inquiry while amending sub-section (3) will provide that the direction in no way limits the power of the board to conduct an inquiry on its own initiative.

Section 4 of the amending Ordinance inserts "Subject to this Ordinance" at the commencement of section 41 of the principal Ordinance thereby making the unfettered actions of the Chairman and Board members subject to the Ordinance and as such only to a direction of the Minister to hold an inquiry.

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