

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

CIGARETTE CONTAINERS (LABELLING) (AMENDMENT)

ORDINANCE 1982

No.26 of 1982

The Cigarette Containers (Labelling) Ordinance 1972 makes it an offence to sell or expose for sale cigarettes in containers other than those labelled with the notice WARNING - SMOKING IS A HEALTH HAZARD.

The Ordinance also makes it an offence to sell or expose for sale a container of cigarettes on which there are words which convey or tend to convey an indication that smoking is not a hazard to health.

The prescribed warning must appear in 2 places on a cigarette container whether the container is a single packet, package or box or a number of packets, packages or boxes enclosed in a container. The exact location of the notice is prescribed both with respect to conventional and unusually shaped containers.

The Cigarette Containers (Labelling) (Amendment) Ordinance 1982 applies the requirements of the Cigarette Containers (Labelling) Ordinance 1972 to cigarettes distributed without charge for advertising purposes.

Ord. No. 20/81