

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS
AND MARRIAGES (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1982

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

No.52 of 1982

The Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Ordinance 1982 amends the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Ordinance 1963 (the Principal Ordinance) by providing for the imposition of a fee where a search indicates that no entry can be found in the records kept by the Registrar and removing the imposition of a fee for search and identification where the application does not contain correct particulars of entry.

Section 1 of the Ordinance provides for the short title of the Ordinance.

Section 2 of the Ordinance provides an interpretation provision.

Section 3 of the Ordinance amends section 51 of the Principal Ordinance by omitting sub-sections (1), (2) and (3) and inserting new sub-sections (1), (2) and (8). The repealed sub-sections provided for a search to be made following the payment of a fee and the supply of a reason why the entry was being sought. There was no requirement for the Registrar to indicate that no record is available, or for the portion of the fee for the issue of the extract to be refunded. New sub-sections (1) and (2) enable the Registrar to issue a notification of the results of a search where a search of the Register has been requested and no entry can be found. New sub-section (8) enables a person who has applied for a copy of an entry in the Register and who has instead been issued by the Registrar with a notification of the result of a search, to have refunded to him the amount which equals the difference between the cost of a search in the register and the issue of a copy of entry, and a search in the register and the issue of a notification of the result of a search.

Section 4 of the Ordinance amends the Fifth Schedule to the Principal Ordinance by omitting item 3 and inserting a new item 3 which enables a fee to be charged where a search has been made in the Register and a notification of result is issued.

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