

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE (NO. 6) 1981

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

No.40 of 1981

The Motor Traffic (Amendment) Ordinance (No. 6) 1981 amends the Motor Traffic Ordinance 1936, (the Principal Ordinance) by increasing fees in the Principal Ordinance for learners' permits, driving tests and motor vehicle registrations. The Ordinance also removes certain anomalies in the charges for commercial and goods carrying vehicles, which were attributable to registration fees being based on the unladen weight of most vehicles while certain vehicles, for example mobile compressors, were charged on their fully laden mass. In addition, the Ordinance amends certain definitions and includes new definitions to more clearly specify the types of vehicles which fall into the various fee categories.

Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Ordinance deal with commencement and interpretation provisions.

Section 4 of the Ordinance amends section 4 of the Principal Ordinance by inserting definitions of "equipment motor lorry", "motor implement" and "passenger car derivative". The previous definition of "motor lorry" has also been consequentially amended to exclude the new categories of motor vehicles.

Section 5 of the Ordinance amends the definition of "multi-purpose passenger car" in section 7A of the Principal Ordinance to accord with the definition used in the Australian Design Rules. The Ordinance also effects a consequential amendment to section 7A of the Principal Ordinance by deleting the definition of "passenger car derivative".

Section 6 of the Ordinance amends section 9 of the Principal Ordinance by increasing the fee for a learner's permit from \$2.50 to \$4.00.

Section 7 of the Ordinance amends section 10 of the Principal Ordinance by increasing the fee for a first driving test from \$5.00 to \$7.50, and by increasing the fee for subsequent driving tests from \$2.00 to \$5.00.

Section 8 of the Ordinance amends the First Schedule to the Principal Ordinance by increasing the fees for registration of motor vehicles in paragraph (1) of item 1 of the First Schedule and by inserting the new categories of motor vehicles in relation to those fees.

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