

ROADS AND PUBLIC PLACES (AMENDMENT) BILL 1976

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 sets out the title and citation.

Clause 2 defines a "permit" which may be granted.

Clause 3 deletes any reference to obstructions from section 8 of the principal Ordinance and confines that section to excavations in a public place.

Clause 4 amends section 9 to enable the Minister to grant permission and issue a permit to open up or break the surface of a public place without payment of a prescribed fee.

Clause 5 deletes any reference to obstruction when lighting or fencing is required - vide section 10. However, excavations are not excluded.

Clause 6 amends section 12 to enable the Minister, or any authorised officer, to permit the placement of any advertisement or notice in a public place.

Clause 7 is a machinery amendment which takes into account the granting of a permit in accordance with section 15A.

Clause 8 repeals existing section 15 and inserts new section 15 and 15A to 15R which will:

- . increase penalties under the Ordinance to \$100;
- . permit the Minister to grant permission in accordance with the purposes of these amendments;
- . permit the Minister to cancel a permit for stated reasons and provides for a tribunal to review a decision of the Minister; and
- . provide for removal of the object from a public place for which a removal notice has been issued.

Department of the Capital Territory

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