

Australian Capital Territory

# Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Maximum Fares for Taxi Services Determination 2010 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI 2010—99

made under the

***Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001, section 60 (power to determine maximum taxi fares)***

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Section 60(1) of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* specifies that the Minister may, in writing, determine the maximum fares relating to hiring or using a taxi. A determination under section 60(1) is a disallowable instrument.

The Department of Territory and Municipal Services (the department) requested the taxi industry to make a submission for annual fare increases and has adopted an approach based on the Taxi Composite Cost Index (TCCI) methodology for the review of taxi fares for the coming financial year. The department also engaged an independent consultant to review the industry's submission to ensure the process remained transparent and defensible.

The consultant recommended that, based on the TCCI methodology to calculate the fare adjustment for the 2010/11 financial year, the figures and calculations contained in the submission are correct and the department accepts the proposed fare increase of +2.48%.

The ordinary flag fall rate has increased from \$4.40 to \$4.50. There is no change to the waiting time rate, which remains at \$49.50 or the baby capsule fee, which remains at \$4.70.

Unlike other road transport fee increases, whereby most fees and charges are increased in line with the Wage Price Index, the TCCI model is based on actual cost movements.

This determination gives effect to the fare and fee charges recommended and will commence on 1 July 2010.