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**THE PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS BAN BILL 2010**

**GOVERNMENT AMENDMENTS**

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

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# **Government Amendments to the Plastic Shopping Bags Ban Bill 2010**

## **Supplementary Explanatory Statement**

This explanatory statement relates to two Government amendments to the Plastic Shopping Bags Ban Bill 2010 as introduced in the ACT Legislative Assembly.

### **Overview of Amendments**

These amendments give retailers clarity on timing and enable retailers to be better able to plan for the transition to a ban on plastic shopping bags.

These Government amendments are minor and technical in nature.

### **Outline of Provisions**

#### **Clause 1**

This clause omits sections 1 and 2 of the Bill, substituting new commencement provisions.

The amendment specifies that the Act (except section 7) shall commence on 1 July 2011. Section 7 will commence on 1 November 2011.

#### **Clause 2**

This clause amends section 100 (3) (b) of the Bill, changing the wording of the retailer statement to better reflect the exact date for the commencement of the ban. Retailers are required to display this statement to inform their customers about the ban. The statement will now provide for the exact date for the commencement of the ban