

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**  
**ISSUED BY AUTHORITY OF THE MINISTER**  
**OF STATE FOR HEALTH**  
**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY LEGISLATION**  
**SEAT OF GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATION)**  
**(AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1979 No. 6**

The Seat of Government (Administration) Ordinance 1930, amongst other things, specifies the Ordinances administered by the Minister of State for Health.

The Seat of Government (Administration) (Amendment) Ordinance 1979 amends the Seat of Government (Administration) Ordinance 1930 to give the Minister for Health the power to administer the Poisons and Narcotic Drugs Ordinance 1978, Ordinance No. 38 of 1978, which was notified in the Gazette on 19 December 1978.

The amendment is required because, in accordance with current drafting practice the Poisons and Narcotic Drugs Ordinance 1978 does not contain its own administration section.

Because the amendment of the Ordinance is a routine procedural matter resulting from the gazettal of the Poisons and Narcotic Drugs Ordinance 1978 the amending Ordinance has not been referred to the Australian Capital Territory Legislative Assembly.

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