

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS ORDINANCE 1971

TRADING HOURS ORDINANCE 1971

LIQUOR ORDINANCE (NO. 2) 1971

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 36 of 1971

The amendments to the Liquor Ordinance 1929-1971, the Theatres and Public Halls Ordinance 1928-1968 and the Trading Hours Ordinance 1962-1958, will implement the major recommendations made by the Joint Committee on the Australian Capital Territory concerning Sunday Observance.

Theatres and Public Halls Ordinance 1971

This amendment will permit public entertainment and public meetings to take place on Sundays on the same conditions which are applicable to any other day of the week.

Trading Hours Ordinance 1971

This amendment will permit the sale on Sundays of souvenirs, art works, postcards and stationery.

Liquor Ordinance (No. 2) 1971

This Ordinance will provide for Sunday trading in hotel lounges and bars between the hours of 11.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Provision will also be made for liquor to be served with meals in hotel and licensed motel dining rooms and in licensed restaurants between 12 noon and 11 p.m. on Sundays.

Licensed grocers will be permitted to sell liquor on Sundays between the hours of 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

The Ordinance will also provide for special permits to be issued which will allow groups to purchase and consume liquor at social gatherings on Sundays.

Consequential amendments will be made providing for "periods of grace" to enable customers to finish drinks purchased during the authorised sessions introduced by the above amendments.

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