

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

TRAFFIC ORDINANCE 1960

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 12 of 1960

The Traffic Ordinance relates to traffic other than motor vehicles, and is being amended to introduce the changes in the rules of the road made in respect of motor vehicles by the Motor Traffic Ordinance 1960.

By clause 8, section 25 has been redrafted to apply to this Ordinance the provisions of Part VI (rules of the road) and Part VIB (Parking) of the Motor Traffic Ordinance as enacted by the Motor Traffic Ordinance 1960 in relation to the riders of bicycles or horses and drivers of horse drawn vehicles.

Provisions which are being omitted from sections 4, 5, 6, 21, 24, and 25 of the Principal Ordinance by clauses 2, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of this Ordinance are included in proposed section 25.

The penalties provided by sections 5 (walking without due care) and 7 (driver intoxicated) are, by clauses 3(b) and 5, of this Ordinance brought into line with penalties for similar offences under the Motor Traffic Ordinance.

Section 27, which provides for the exhibition of notices, signs, and devices regulating traffic, is repealed by clause 8, as all such signs etc., will now be authorized and erected under the new Part V of the Motor Traffic Ordinance.

Clause 9 is consequential on the repeal of section 27 while clause 10 omits the regulation making power in respect of matters now covered in the Ordinance itself.

The effect of these amendments is that riders of bicycles or horses and drivers of horse-drawn vehicles will be subject to the same duties as drivers of motor vehicles.