Australian Capital Territory

Occupational Health and Safety (Fees) Revocation and Determination 2003 (No 2)

Disallowable Instrument DI2003-56

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989 (the Act) outlines the responsibilities of every person at the workplace, sets down the consultative framework; the requirements for injury and dangerous occurrence reporting; the use of codes of practice; how the Act is administered and the role of inspectors. The Act also gives the power to the Minister to determine fees under s.96A of the Act.

Following recent bushfires in the ACT, the Government announced that it will assist those victims whose properties were destroyed or affected by fire. To meet the Government policy WorkCover proposed to waive a fee for an application for, or for the renewal of, a licence for the keeping of dangerous goods under the Act, if the premises in relation to which the licence is sought were destroyed or damaged by fire, or in the course of fighting fire, associated with the bushfire emergency that began on 18 January 2003 and ended on 28 January 2003.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications associated with the Instrument.

Retrospectivity

No persons' rights have been prejudicially affected, nor any liabilities imposed on any person.

If monies have been collected during the period between 18 January 2003 and the date in which this instrument came into effect these monies will be refunded.