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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

RACE AND SPORTS BOOKMAKING ACT 2001

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

DETERMINATION OF RULES FOR SPORTS BOOKMAKING

INSTRUMENT NO. 262 OF 2001

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Outline

The *Race and Sports Bookmakers Act 2001* (the Act) governs the activities of sports bookmakers in the Australian Capital Territory.

Part 3 of the Act provides for the conduct and control of sports bookmaking. In particular, the legislation empowers the Commission to determine rules for sports bookmaking.

Section 23(1) of the Act provides that the Commission may determine rules for sports bookmaking for the purpose of the Act.

This instrument determines the same rules for sports bookmaking that were approved in the following determinations made pursuant to the repealed *Bookmakers Act 1985*:

- Determination No. 286 of 1996, notified in Gazette S325 of 6 December 1996;
- Determination No. 69 of 1997, notified in Gazette S99 of 18 April 1997;
- Determination No. 236 of 1997, notified in Gazette S302 of 3 October 1997;
- Determination No. 209 of 1998, notified in Gazette S193 of 11 September 1998;
- Determination No. 254 of 1998, notified in Gazette S207 of 27 November 1998; and
- Determination No. 299 of 2000, notified in Gazette S50 of 8 September 2000.

The determination has two sections detailing general rules for sports bookmaking and rules relating to spread betting. The general rules for sports bookmaking are set out in respect of three categories of sports bookmaking venues; general rules relating to the majority of sports bookmaking venues including the Sports Bookmaking Auditorium located at the Canberra Racecourse, general rules for sports bookmaking venues at Manuka Oval, and general rules for sports bookmaking venues at Bruce Stadium.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications associated with the Instrument.