

Australian Capital Territory

Domestic Animals (Fees) Determination 2013 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2013-65

made under the

Domestic Animals Act 2000, Section 144 – Determination of Fees

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 144 of the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* (the Act) permits the Minister to determine fees for the Act.

This determination revokes the previous fee determination (DI 2012–141) that set fees for the 2012-2013 financial year and establishes fees from 1 July 2013.

The determination increases most fees in accordance with the Wage Price Index estimate for 2013-14 of 3.0%, consistent with the Government's announcement, made as part of the 2006-07 ACT Budget, on the indexing of government fees and charges. The increased fees are rounded for cash handling purposes.

The Commonwealth Government have replaced the GST Division 81 determination based mechanism for exempting Australian taxes, fees and charges from the GST with specific legislation exemptions. All the fees in Part 3 and 4 of the Domestic Animals fee determination including fees 1.5, 5.1 and 5.2 which were previously exempt under the GST Division 81 determination have now been assessed as GST applicable and increased by 10%.

The Registrar of Domestic Animals may waive or refund certain types of fees. These are set out in section 6 of the determination. The refund amounts as set out in Schedule 2 of the instrument have also been adjusted in accordance with the current wage price index estimate.

The determination takes effect on 1 July 2013.