Australian Capital Territory

Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Code Of Conduct For Staff Of Non-Executive Members Determination 2015

Disallowable instrument DI2015-320

Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Act 1989, s 10 (3) (Members may employ staff) and s 20 (4) (Members may engage consultants and contractors)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Legislative Context

The *Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Act 1989* ("the Act") provides for the employment of staff, and the engagement of consultants or contractors, by members of the Legislative Assembly.

Subsection 10(1) of the Act gives members the authority to employ staff. Subsection 10(3) provides for the Chief Minister to determine in writing the conditions and arrangements within which members may exercise that authority. Such a determination is a disallowable instrument.

Outline

This determination formalises the code of conduct for staff of non-executive members.

The code satisfies the requirements contained in subclause I1.1 of the *ACT Legislative Assembly Members' Staff Enterprise Agreement 2013-2017*, and clause 7.1(a) of the Employment Agreement for staff of members. Previously, the Employment Agreement specified certain staff obligations which are now part of this code of conduct

Arrangements

Numbered clauses 1 to 4 of the determination contain technical provisions.

Numbered clause 5 specifies the purpose of the determination is to approve arrangements under which staff of non-executive members are employed under the Act.

Numbered clause 6 specifies the class of person to whom the determination applies as staff employed by non-executive members under subsection 10(1) of the Act.

Numbered clause 7 specifies the arrangements in respect of the code of conduct for staff of non-executive members as those set out in schedule 1 to the determination.