

Australian Capital Territory

Animal Welfare (Advisory Committee Member) Appointment 2019 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2019 – 216

made under the

Animal Welfare Act 1992, s 109 (Establishment and Functions) read with *Animal Welfare (Advisory Committee) Establishment 2015, ss 4, 5*

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Part 9 of the *Animal Welfare Act 1992* (the Act) establishes the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee and sets out its functions. Section 109 of the Act provides the functions of the Committee. This instrument is made in conjunction with NI2015-219 the Animal Welfare (Advisory Committee) Establishment 2015.

NI2015-219 provides that the Committee consists of 11 members appointed by the Minister and provides the make up of the Committee.

Under Section 4 (2) of the Committee Establishment instrument provides that members can be appointed to the Committee for a term of no longer than three years.

This instrument appoints the following members for a period of three years:

- (a) Ms Jane Gregor as a person nominated by the RSPCA ACT (Category C);
- (b) Dr Melanie Latter as a person nominated by the Australian Veterinary Association (Category D);
- (c) Ms Kelly Debono as a person with experience in teaching or research in the field of animal sciences, nominated by an ACT tertiary institution (Category F); and
- (d) Mr Mark Fraser as a person nominated by the Pet Industry Association of Australia, being an organisation involved in the commercial use of companion animals (Category I).

Section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001* provides that before making an appointment to a statutory position, a Minister must consult with the relevant standing committee of the Legislative Assembly. The Minister consulted with the Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services.

Due to an administrative oversight this Disallowable Instrument has been made retrospectively, noting the commencement of these appointments on 14 June 2018, and therefore that the appointments must end on 13 June 2021.

The retrospective commencement of this instrument will not prejudicially affect the rights of people. See: *Legislation Act 2001*, sections 73 (2) (a), 73 (5) (b), 75A (1), 76 (1) and 76 (4). Retrospective commencement requires clear indication. See *Legislation Act 2001*, section 75B (1).