Australian Capital Territory

Motor Accident Injuries (Persons Living Outside of Australia) Guidelines 2019

**Disallowable instrument DI2019–276**

made under the

Motor Accident Injuries Act 2019, section 487 (MAI guidelines)

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Section 487 of the *Motor Accident Injuries Act 2019* (MAI Act) enables the MAI Commission to make guidelines (the MAI guidelines) about any matter required or permitted by the MAI Act to be included in guidelines.

The guidelines provide guidance to insurers about making periodic payments for defined benefits for Australians living overseas and for making lump sum payments to foreign nationals intending to permanently depart Australia.

Specifically, the guidelines make provision for:

* The period an Australian must live overseas before they can receive periodic payments;
* The amount and frequency of periodic payments to an Australian living overseas;
* Eligibility requirements for a foreign national to a lump sum payment for certain defined benefits.

The ACT Government consulted with insurers and other relevant stakeholders in preparing the guidelines.