

Australian Capital Territory

Nature Conservation (Fees) Determination 2021 (No 2)

Disallowable instrument DI2021-79

made under the

Nature Conservation Act 2014, s 368 (Determination of fees etc)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 368 of the *Nature Conservation Act 2014* (the *Act*) permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

The purpose of this instrument is to determine the fees for licences and entry fees under the Act for the 2021-22 financial year.

Fees in the determination have been increased by 1.75% for the 2021-22 financial year based on the wage price index as per government's advice; appropriate rounding has been made in relation to the increases.

The instrument commences on 1 July 2021.

This instrument revokes the *Nature Conservation (Fees) Determination 2021 (No 1)* (DI2021-16). This previous instrument had applied a fee waiver for 2020 annual pass holders to Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve for a period of 5 months, to account for the time that the reserve had been closed due to the 2020 bushfires. The clause applying this fee waiver has been revoked because it will have ceased to have effect by the commencement date of this new instrument.

A determination made under section 368 of the Act is a disallowable instrument and must be presented to the Legislative Assembly within 6 sitting days after its notification pursuant to section 64 of the *Legislation Act 2001* (the *Legislation Act*).

Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS)

A RIS is not required for this fee determination due to section 36 (1) (k) of the Legislation Act, which provides that a RIS need not be prepared for an amendment of a fee consistent with announced government policy.

Human Rights

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) terms of reference require consideration of human rights impacts, among other matters. In this case, no human rights are impacted.