Australian Capital Territory

Gene Technology (GM Crop Moratorium) Advisory Council Appointment 2022 (No 4)

**Disallowable instrument DI2022–56**

made under the

Gene Technology (GM Crop Moratorium) Act 2004,section 11 (Advisory Council)

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The ACT Gene Technology Advisory Council (the Council) is established under section 11 of the *Gene Technology (GM Crop Moratorium) Act 2004* (the Act). Under subsection 11 (2) of the Act, the Council consists of eight (8) members, appointed by the Minister for Health.

The purpose of the Act is to designate the ACT as an area in which certain genetically modified (GM) food plants may not be cultivated, in order to preserve the identity of GM and/or non-GM crops for marketing purposes.

The instrument appoints Professor Neera Bhalla Sarin to be a member of the ACT Gene Technology Advisory Council until 2 May 2025.

Professor Sarin was nominated as Member of the Council by the ACT Rural Landholders Association. Professor Sarin is not a public servant.