

Australian Capital Territory

Water and Sewerage (Fees) Determination 2023

Disallowable instrument DI2023-119

made under the

Water and Sewerage Act 2000, s 45 (Determination of fees)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 45 of the *Water and Sewerage Act 2000* (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 goods and services under the Act for the 2023-24 financial year.

The regulatory fees in the determination, which applied in the 2022-23 financial years have been increased by 3.75% for the 2023-24 financial year, based on the wage price index as per government's advice. Administration fees relating to refunds are increased by 3.75% (the wage price index), as per the Government's Fees and Charges Policy and Guidelines. This increase is applied to the amended fees previously published as part of *Water and Sewerage (Fees) Determination 2022 (No 2) (DI2002-210)*, which commenced on 1 September 2022.

The instrument commences on 1 July 2023.

This instrument revokes the *Water and Sewerage (Fees) Determination 2022 (No 2) (DI2022-210)*.

A determination under section 45 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* (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.