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**THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
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EXEMPTION 2003

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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ROAD TRANSPORT (PUBLIC PASSENGER SERVICES) REGULATIONS 2002

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Overview

The *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* permits the Minister to exclude a vehicle and person from the Road Transport Public Passenger Services legislation.

Details

Taxis affiliated with Queanbeyan Taxi Co-operative Limited are permitted to operate in the ACT as taxi services by virtue of the issue of Restricted Taxi Licences under sub-regulation 82(a) of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulations 2002*.

Under cross-border taxi arrangements between the NSW Department of Transport and the ACT Road Transport Authority, operators of Queanbeyan taxis are accredited under sub-regulation 5(3)(b) to operate restricted taxi services within the ACT.

Under the *Passenger Transport Act 1990* and *Passenger Transport (Taxi-cab Services) Regulations 2001 (NSW)* accredited taxi operators are required to maintain taxi records for a maximum period of two years.

In accordance with sub-regulation 100(1)(a) of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulations 2002* a person who is an accredited operator of a taxi service in the ACT must maintain records for a period of at least 4 years after the making of the last entry in the record. Pursuant to sub-section 64(1) of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* an accredited taxi service operator who is affiliated with Queanbeyan Taxi Co-operative Limited is exempted from the requirement to maintain records for a period of at least four years after the making of the entry. The exemption is conditional upon the operator maintaining records for a minimum period of two years after the making in accordance with NSW Department of Transport requirements.