

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1989

ACT CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY - AMENITIES CODE OF PRACTICE INSTRUMENT No. 186 of 1999

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Sub section 87(1)(b) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* provides that the Minister can vary an approved Code of Practice for the purpose of providing practical guidance to employers, self-employed persons and employees.

This Instrument is written pursuant to Section 87 of the Act. The instrument varies the approved Code of Practice which is titled "ACT Construction Industry - Amenities" for the purpose of sub section 87(1) of the Act.

It is intended that the variation of the approved Code of Practice will eliminate an area of concern raised by the Occupational Health and Safety Council with regard to the provision of amenities for workers at remote construction sites.

The decision to vary the approved Code of Practice was taken after the Minister had received advice from the ACT Occupational Health and Safety Council in accordance with sub section 87(2) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989*.

The information in this approved Code of Practice is primarily for those directly involved in the ACT Construction Industry. The purpose of this code is to provide practical guidance to employers, employees, operators, workers and others in the construction industry in the ACT about meeting appropriate occupational health and safety standards.

This instrument of this amendment is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of section 10 of the Subordinate Laws Act 1989.

Authorised by the ACT Parliamentary Counsel-also accessible at www.legislation.act.gov.au