

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1989

ACT Sex Industry Code of Practice

INSTRUMENT NO. 259 OF 1998

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Sub section 87(1) of the ACT *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* provides that the Minister can approve codes 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 approves the ACT Sex Industry Code of Practice as a code of practice under sub section 87(1) of the Act.

The decision to adopt this standard 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 code is primarily for those directly involved in the ACT Sex Industry. The purpose of this Code of Practice is to provide practical guidance to employers, employees, operators, workers and sex workers in the sexual services industry in the ACT about meeting appropriate occupational health and safety standards.

Dated this eighth day of December 1998

BRENDAN MICHAEL SMYTH
MINISTER FOR URBAN SERVICES