

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT 1951**

SECTION 15F

AMENDMENT TO PROTOCOL

NO. 100 OF 1995

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 15F of the ACT *Workers' Compensation Act 1951* provides that the Minister may approve a protocol or an amendment to a protocol relating to occupational rehabilitation.

This Instrument is written pursuant to Section 15F of the Act.

The ACT *Workers' Compensation Act 1951* was amended last year to include an obligation on employers to provide occupational rehabilitation to injured workers. The amendments also provided for the Minister to make a Protocol ("the instrument") by disallowable instrument which would set out much of the administrative detail about occupational rehabilitation and would reflect industry consultation.

Following industry consultation an instrument was made by Determination No.163 of 1994 by the former Minister for Industrial Relations and became operational on 1 January 1995. All workers' compensation insurers, self-insurers, major employer organisations and the TLC signed their agreement to the instrument.

The Scrutiny of Bills Committee identified two typographical errors in the instrument and asked for them to be remedied. One error involved the absence of quotation marks and the other involved a misquoted reference to a section of the Act.

The Minister has now made a further Determination amending the Protocol to correct these errors.