

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

BUILDING ACT 1972

**DISALLOWABLE INSTRUMENT FOR THE
PURPOSES OF SUBSECTION 24(2)**

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

NO. 129 of 1994

The *Building Act 1972* (the Act) regulates the erection, alteration and demolition of buildings. Sections 24 of the Act provides for the technical requirements for these to be specified in a Building Code and allows the Minister to adopt and modify the Building Code of Australia (BCA) as published by the Australian Uniform Building Regulations Co-ordinating Council (AUBRCC), an association of State and Territory building control bodies, and to have prepared and published an ACT Appendix to the BCA to provide for standards distinctive to the ACT.

The 1990 edition of the BCA with its fifth amendment and the ACT Appendix as published by AUBRCC, along with an addition to the ACT Appendix that required thermal insulation materials to have a minimum resistance to fire, were formally adopted as the Building Code for the ACT in an instrument of adoption and modification of the Building Code dated 12 August 1993 and published in Gazette No 35 of 1 September 1993.

The present instrument revokes the former adoption and adopts the provisions of the BCA as constituted by the 1990 edition of the BCA with its sixth amendment. The sixth amendment to the Building Code of Australia was published on 2 May 1994 and the additional requirements it contains are applicable only to New South Wales.