



AUSTRALIAN
CAPITAL TERRITORY

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GAZETTE

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**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
HOUSING ASSISTANCE ACT 1987
RENT RELIEF PROGRAM
VARIATION**

No. 151 of 1992

Under Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987*, I VARY a Housing Assistance Program as follows:

Title

1. This Instrument is titled the Rent Relief Program Variation 1992.

Commencement

2. This Instrument commences on 1 October 1992.

Program Varied by this Instrument

3. In this Instrument, "Rent Relief Program" means the Rent Relief Program made by the Commissioner for Housing published in the Australian Capital Territory Gazette ACT No 26 of 15 November 1989.

References to Social Security Act 1949

4. Sub-clause 3(1) of the Rent Relief Program is amended:
- (a) by omitting in the definition of "income" "Part X of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "Part 2.17 of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991*";
 - (b) by omitting in the definition of "independent person" "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*"; and
 - (c) by omitting in the definition of "prescribed authority" "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*".

Eligibility for Rent Relief

5. Sub-clause 5(1) of the Rent Relief Program is amended by omitting paragraphs 5(1)(a) and 5(1)(i).

Assistance for arrears of rent

6. Sub-clause 7(1) of the Rent Relief Program is amended by omitting "25%" and substituting "30%".

Applicant's Contribution to Rent

7. Sub-clause 10(5) of the Rent Relief Program is amended:
- (a) by omitting "25%" and substituting "30%";
 - (b) by omitting "Family Allowance Supplement paid under Part IX of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "dependent child payments";
 - (c) by omitting "Family Allowance Supplement" (second occurrence) and substituting "dependent child payments"; and
 - (d) by omitting "Supplementary Rental Assistance paid to the applicant under that Act" and substituting "rent assistance paid to the applicant under the *Social Security Act 1991* or the *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*".
8. Clause 10 of the Rent Relief Program is amended inserting the following sub-clause after sub-clause 10(5):
- "(6) In this clause "dependent child payments" means:
- (a) family allowance supplement paid under the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991*;
 - (b) that part of a payment of a social security benefit or a social security pension payable under the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991* in respect of a dependent child; and
 - (c) that part of a service pension payable under the Commonwealth *Veterans Entitlements Act 1986* in respect of a child. "

Transitional

9. The amendment made by paragraph 7(a) of this Instrument to sub-clause 10(5) of the Rent Relief Program does not apply:

(a) in relation to rent subsidy granted under sub-clause 10(4) before the commencement of this Instrument - during the period for which assistance has been granted; and

(b) in relation to a further application by an applicant for rent subsidy and any subsequent grant of rent subsidy pursuant to paragraph 10(4)(b) - where, immediately before that further application, rent subsidy was paid under the Program to that applicant in respect of the same lease which is the subject of the further application.

Dated this 28 day of September 1992

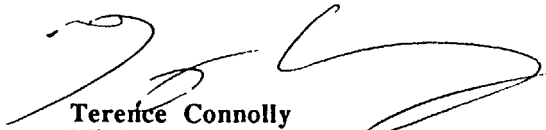


Lynette Grayson
Delegate of the Commissioner for Housing

APPROVAL

Under Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987* I APPROVE the variation to the Rent Relief Program made by the Commissioner for Housing by this Instrument.

Dated this 30 day of September 1992



Terence Connolly
Minister for Housing and Community Services

**AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
HOUSING ASSISTANCE ACT 1987
PUBLIC RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
VARIATION**

No. 152 of 1992

Under Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987*, I VARY a Housing Assistance Program as follows:

Title

1. This Instrument is titled Public Rental Housing Assistance Program Variation 1992.

Commencement

- 2.(1) This Instrument, except for Clauses 8 and 9, commences operation on 1 November 1992.
- (2) Clause 8 of this Instrument commences operation on 1 July 1993.
- (3) Clause 9 of this Instrument commences operation on 1 July 1994.

Public Rental Housing Assistance Program

3. In this Instrument "Public Rental Housing Assistance Program" means the Housing Assistance Program made by the Commissioner for Housing published in the Australian Capital Territory Gazette ACT No 20 on 4 October 1989 as varied pursuant to Section 12 of the *Housing Assistance Act 1987* and in effect at the date this instrument commences operation.

References to Social Security Act 1949

4. Sub-clause 4(1) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended:
 - (a) by omitting in the definition of "income" "Part X of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "Part 2.17 of the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991*";
 - (b) by omitting in the definition of "independent person" "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*"; and
 - (c) by omitting in the definition of "prescribed authority" "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*".
5. Paragraph 10(1)(a) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting "*Social Security Act 1947*" and substituting "*Social Security Act 1991*"

Calculation of "Basic Rent"

6. Subclause 17(3) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting paragraphs 17(3)(a) and 17(3)(b) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - "(a) 20% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which does not exceed 50 % of ACT Average Weekly Earnings;
 - (aa) 23% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which exceeds 50% of ACT Average Weekly Earnings;
 - (b) 10% of dependent child payments paid to the tenant;"

7. Clause 17 of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by inserting the following sub-clause after sub-clause 17(3):

"(3A) In this clause "dependent child payments" means:

 - (a) family allowance supplement paid under the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991*;
 - (b) that part of a payment of a social security benefit or a social security pension payable under the Commonwealth *Social Security Act 1991* in respect of a dependent child; or
 - (c) that part of a service pension payable under the Commonwealth *Veterans Entitlements Act 1986* in respect of a child. "

8. Paragraph 17(3)(aa) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting "23%" and substituting "25%".

9. Subclause 17(3) of the Public Rental Housing Assistance Program is amended by omitting paragraph 17(3)(aa) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - "(aa) 25% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which exceeds 50% of ACT Average Weekly Earnings but does not exceed ACT Average Weekly Earnings;

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(ab) 30% of that part of the weekly income of the tenant, other than dependent child payments, which exceeds ACT Average Weekly Earnings;"

Dated this 28 day of September 1992

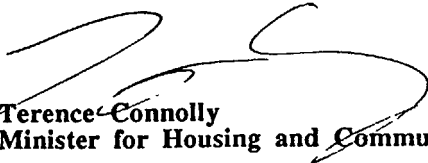


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