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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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(As presented)

(Attorney-General)

## **Legislation (Penalty Units) Amendment Bill 2009**

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### **A Bill for**

An Act to amend the *Legislation Act 2001*

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The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

1 **1 Name of Act**

2 This Act is the *Legislation (Penalty Units) Amendment Act 2009*.

3 **2 Commencement**

4 This Act commences on the day after its notification day.

5 *Note* The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on  
6 the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).

7 **3 Legislation amended**

8 This Act amends the *Legislation Act 2001*.

9 **4 Penalty units**  
10 **Section 133 (1)**

11 *substitute*

12 (1) In a law, if a penalty for an offence is expressed as a number  
13 (whether whole or fractional) of penalty units, the penalty for the  
14 offence is a fine of that number of penalty units.

15 (1A) A *penalty unit* is—

16 (a) for an offence committed by an individual—\$110; or

17 (b) for an offence committed by a corporation—\$550.

18 **Example**

19 ‘Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.’ means that a person who is convicted of the  
20 relevant offence is liable to a maximum fine of 10 penalty units.

- 21 • If the person is an individual, the maximum fine is, therefore, \$1 100  
22 (\$110 x 10).
- 23 • If the person is a corporation, the maximum fine is, therefore, \$5 500  
24 (\$550 x 10).

25 *Note* An example is part of the Act, is not exhaustive and may extend, but  
26 does not limit, the meaning of the provision in which it appears  
27 (see s 126 and s 132).

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## Endnotes

**1 Presentation speech**

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 2009.

**2 Notification**

Notified under the Legislation Act on 2009.

**3 Republications of amended laws**

For the latest republication of amended laws, see [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au).

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