

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

DOGS REGISTRATION ORDINANCE

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 14 of 1961

Consequent upon the amendment of the Alsatian Dogs Ordinance to provide for the keeping of unsterilized alsatian dogs under certain conditions, it is now proposed to amend the Dogs Registration Ordinance to provide specifically for the registration of these dogs. It is proposed that a registration fee of £2.10.0 shall be required for each such dog.

The provisions of the Ordinance relating to registration, transfers, and impounding of dogs have been redrafted and strengthened for better administration.

Clause 3 empowers the Registrar to issue a replacement disc for one which has been lost, damaged or destroyed and an offence has been prescribed of placing a disc upon a dog other than the dog for which the disc was issued.

The period for which a dog, which has been seized, must be kept before being disposed of, has been reduced from seven days to three days to achieve the result of requiring an owner to act more promptly in claiming the return of his dog from the Dog Pound when his dog has been lost or is missing.