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An Act to amend the Duties Act 1999

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

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1 Name of Act

This Act is the Duties Amendment Act 2007.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day after its notification day.

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

3 Legislation amended

This Act amends the Duties Act 1999.

4 Imposition of duty on dutiable transactions that are not transfers Section 8, table 8, item 4

substitute

4	grant of a long-term lease	(a)	for a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (d) or (da)—the leasehold interest; and	the lessor	(a)	for a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (d) or (da)—when the lease is granted; and
		(b)	for a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (db)— the extension or further extension mentioned in that section		(b)	for a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (db)— when the lease is extended or further extended as mentioned in that section

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Dutiable property New section 10 (1) (da) and (db)

insert

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- (da) a lease (also a *long term lease*) of land that is granted to a person for a term of 30 years or less if—
 - (i) the lease is granted on the surrender of a previous lease of the land granted to the person; and
 - (ii) the term of the lease, taken together with—
 - (A) the term for which the person held the previous lease; and
 - (B) the term (if any) for which the person held a lease of the land under any earlier surrendered lease;

would result in the person holding a lease of the land for a continuous period of longer than 30 years;

- (db) a lease (also a *long term lease*) that is granted for an initial term of 30 years or less if—
 - (i) the lease is subsequently extended, or further extended; and
 - (ii) the term as extended, or further extended, is longer than 30 years;

New section 10 (2A)

insert

(2A) For subsection (1) (da), a lease is granted to, or held or surrendered by, a person if it is granted to, or held or surrendered by, the person or an associated person.

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No double duty New section 17 (6A) and (6B)

insert

- (6A) The duty charged by this chapter on the grant of a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (da) must be reduced by the amount (if any) of duty paid under chapter 5 on the lease instrument that evidenced or effected the previous surrendered lease or any earlier surrendered lease mentioned in that section.
- (6B) The duty charged by this chapter on the grant of a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (db) must be reduced by the amount (if any) of duty paid under chapter 5 on the lease instrument that evidenced or effected the lease that was extended or further extended as mentioned in that section.

8 What is the *dutiable value* of dutiable property? New section 20 (2A)

insert

(2A) However, if the land the subject of a long-term lease mentioned in section 10 (1) (da) is not identical to the land the subject of the previous lease and any earlier surrendered lease, *land* in subsection (1) (b) (i) means the part of the land the person would hold continuously for longer than 30 years.

9 Application of ch 5 to certain arrangements Section 421 (2) (b)

omit

another arrangement was made

substitute

an option was granted, or another arrangement was made,

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10	Section 421 (3)
	after
	lease the property
	insert
	, or substantially the same property,
11	Dictionary, definition of long-term lease
	substitute

long-term lease—see section 10 (1) (d), (da) and (db).

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Endnotes

1	Presentation speech				
	Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 18 October 2007.				
2	Notification				
	Notified under the Legislation Act on 4 December 2007.				
3	Republications of amended laws				
	For the latest republication of amended laws, see www.legislation.act.gov.au.				

I certify that the above is a true copy of the Duties Amendment Bill 2007, which was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 20 November 2007.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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