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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Minister for Health)

Public Health Amendment Bill 2020 (No 2)

A Bill for

An Act to amend the [Public Health Act 1997](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/1997-69%22%20%5Co%20%22A1997-69)

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

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Public Health Amendment Act 2020 (No 2)*.

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](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14), s 75 (1)).

3 Legislation amended

This Act amends the [Public Health Act 1997](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/1997-69).

4 Determination of fees
New section 137 (1A) and (1B)

insert

 (1A) A fee (a quarantine fee) may be determined in relation to costs incurred, or to be incurred, by the Territory in relation to a requirement for a person to quarantine at a place other than the person’s home because of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2.

Note Power to make a statutory instrument (including a determination) about a particular matter does not limit power to make a determination about any other matter (see [Legislation Act](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14), s 44 (3)).

 (1B) If a person required to pay a quarantine fee asks for payment of the fee to be in instalments, deferred or waived, in considering the request, the Minister must take into account the person’s circumstances, including whether they are suffering financial hardship.

Endnotes

1 Presentation speech

 Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 23 July 2020.

2 Notification

 Notified under the [Legislation Act](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14) on 2020.

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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