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## LIQUOR ACT 1975

# APPOINTMENT TO LIQUOR LICENSING BOARD

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT** 

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The Liquor Act 1975 provides for the constitution of the Liquor Licensing Board, the regulation of the sale of liquor, the issue and cancellation of licenses, the regulation of licensed premises, underage drinking and the public consumption of liquor.

The Liquor Licensing Board is responsible for determining contentious applications and conducting hearings into complaints and applications for suspension or cancellation of licences. The current membership of the Board is Mrs Robin Gibson as Chairperson, Mr Tony Brown as Registrar and Mr Ken Helm as Board member.

Section 12C of the Liquor Act 1975 provides for the appointment of members to the Liquor Licensing Board. On 30 June 1996 the appointment of Mr Ken Helm expires.

Mr Helm has been a member of the Board since 1991 and has gained an extensive knowledge of the ACT liquor industry. He is also a member of the NSW Liquor Industry Consultative Committee. Mr Helm has been reappointed until 31 December 1996. This will allow the fullest consideration possible of the membership of the Board when it is expanded to include two new members as a consequence of the amendments contained in the Liquor (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1996. The Bill was tabled in the Assembly on 27 June 1996.

The Legislative Assembly Standing Committee on Legal Affairs has been consulted regarding the reappointment of Mr Helm and has raised no objections.

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