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INSTRUMENT UNDER SECTION 24(2) OF THE BUILDING ACT

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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TABLING OF THE INSTRUMENT UNDER SECTION 24(2) OF THE BUILDING ACT

The Building Act 1972 regulates standards for the erection, alteration, demolition and occupancy of buildings. The Act provides for these technical requirements to be specified in the Building Code and for the Minister to adopt the provisions of the Building Code of Australia (BCA) as prepared and published by the Australian Uniform Building Regulations Co-ordinating Council (AUBRCC), an association of State and Territory building control authorities.

The Act also provides for the Minister to prepare and publish an ACT Appendix to the BCA to provide for necessary and appropriate standards in the ACT.

The instrument adopting the Building Code is a disallowable instrument so as to give effect to the situation whereby the setting of building standards is a matter for government.

On 12 February 1992 the 1990 Edition of the BCA with its second amendment was formally adopted as the Building Code for building work in the ACT.

The current instrument revokes the former adoption and specifies the adoption of all the provisions constituted with the third amendment of the BCA and the ACT Appendix from 11 May 1992.

The provisions of section 24(2) of the Act enable the formal adoption of the BCA and the preparation and publication of the ACT Appendix by the Minister.

The adoption of the Building Code (the BCA as modified by the schedule to the instrument) takes effect on the date of the gazettal of a notice of preparation under section 25 of the Act.