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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

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PURPOSE

The intention of the amendment is to declare areas prescribed public places in accordance with section 84(3) of the Liquor Act 1975 for the purposes of Summernats 1996 and the Praise Corroboree. The effect is to make it an offence to consume liquor in these prescribed areas during these events.

BACKGROUND

To reduce problems associated with the conduct of Summernats events a number of measures have been put in place for Summernats since 1993, including the declaration of dry areas within the vicinity of Exhibition Park.

The Working Group established to monitor the planning of Summernats 1996 has again recommended the declaration of dry areas around Exhibition Park during Summernats 1996.

The Praise Corroboree Office is conducting the Praise Corroboree at Federation Mall commencing at 5.00pm Thursday 10 October 1996 and ending at 9.00pm on Sunday 13 October 1996.

The Praise Corroboree is a multicultural religious event and will take place largely within the Parliamentary Precincts. The organisers have requested the event area be declared a 'dry area' and are working closely with Police and Parliamentary Security to ensure the event is successful.

DETAILS OF THE AMENDMENT

Subregulation 11(2) (the Summernats regulation) is amended to specify the period during which subregulation (1) will apply by omitting the dates Tuesday 26 December 1995 and Monday 1 January 1996 and substituting the dates Tuesday 25 December 1996 and Monday 30 December 1996 respectively.

Subregulation 11(?) (the Praise Corroboree regulation) declares the area delineated by the heavy black line as shown on the map in Schedule ? (Attachment A) to be public places for the purposes of section 84 of the Act.

Subregulation 11(?) specifies the period commencing at midday Thursday 10 October 1996 and ending at midnight Sunday 13 October 1996, during which subregulation (?) will apply.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil