Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Maximum Fares for Taxi Services Determination 2005 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2005-129

made under the

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001, s60 (Power to determine maximum taxi fares)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This instrument revokes Determination DI 2004-136 dated 22 June 2004 and notified on 29 June 2004.

Section 60(1) of the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* specifies that the Minister may, in writing, determine the maximum fares relating to hiring or using a taxi. A determination under section 60(1) is a disallowable instrument.

On 17 June 2005 Mr Paul Baxter, Senior Commissioner, Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission (ICRC) wrote to Mr Mark Bramston of Canberra Cabs providing the taxi fares for 2005-06. The fares were re-set under the Taxi Composite Cost Index in accordance with ICRC's "Final Report - Determination of taxi fares for the period 1 July 2004 to 30 June 2007".

The fare adjustments will raise the price of an average 8.4 km weekday daytime trip by 3.70 percent. The distance rates and waiting time fee are increased and the booking fee has been removed.

This determination gives effect to the fare and fee changes recommended and will commence on 1 July 2005.