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DETERMINATION OF FEES

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 67 of the *Gas Safety Act 2000* (the Act) provides that the Minister may determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

From 1 January 2003, a new gas appliance worker accreditation scheme will commence. Section 13 of the Act provides that a person must not undertake gas appliance worker as defined by the Act, unless accredited to do that work.

The categories of gas appliance worker are:

Type A accreditation

Type A accreditation allows the accredited person to do appliance work on type A appliances in accordance with the gas safety legislation.

Type B accreditation

Type B accreditation allows the accredited person to do appliance work on type B appliances in accordance with the gas safety legislation

Restricted type B accreditation

Restricted type B accreditation allows the accredited person to do appliance work on type B appliances in accordance with the gas safety legislation and the restrictions specified under the accreditation.

There are qualification requirements that attach to each category. A licensed gasfitter, advanced gasfitter, journeyman gasfitter, or a person licensed under a scheme approved by the Chief Executive will not be required to undertake a practical skills test for the purpose of accreditation as a Type A appliance worker. Other persons who apply for Type A accreditation are required to undertake a practical skills test.

All applicants for Type B or Restricted Type B accreditation will be required to undertake a theory and practical skills test examination.

The fees reflect the cost of providing the assessments and issuing a certificate of accreditation.

This disallowable instrument will commence on notification on the *Legislation Register*.