

Australian Capital Territory

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Maximum Fares Determination 2008 (No 2)

Disallowable instrument DI 2008–233

made under the

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

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This instrument revokes Determination DI2008-129 dated 20 June 2008 and notified on 26 June 2008.

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.

This instrument adds an additional High Occupancy Taxi (HOT) fare rate to the schedule that applies to a hiring of eight or more passengers.

The current HOT vehicles operating in the ACT carry up to a maximum of seven passengers and the fare rate which applies whether the vehicle is carrying five, six or seven passengers is 150% of the standard taxi fare (which can then be split between all the passengers).

The additional higher HOT fare rate will apply where the hiring is for eight or more passengers and is 190% of the standard taxi fare.

Larger taxis capable of accommodating 8 or more passengers should alleviate some of the problems with the Canberra taxi industry is currently experiencing during peak periods and on weekends.

This determination will commence on 1 October 2008.