

Race and Sports Bookmaking (Operation of Sports Bookmaking Venues) Direction 2008 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2008- 249

made under the

Race and Sports Bookmaking Act 2001, s 22 (Directions for operation of sports bookmaking venues)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Race and Sports Bookmaking Act 2001* (the Act) regulates the activities of sports bookmakers in the Australian Capital Territory.

Part 3 of the Act provides for the conduct and control of sports bookmaking. In particular, section 22 of the Act provides that the Gambling and Racing Commission may make directions for operation of sports bookmaking venues.

This Instrument provides for the operational aspects for sport bookmaking venues and revokes DI2005-259 dated 15 November 2005 and notified under the Legislation Register on 28 November 2005.

The amended instrument provides for the removal of previous clause 3.4 that prohibited ACT sports bookmakers from determining their odds based on totalisator dividends. The removal of the prohibition will enable ACT sports bookmakers to be more competitive in a national market.

In all other respects the Instrument has not been changed.