

Australian Capital Territory

Public Sector Management Amendment Standards 2008 (No 4)

Disallowable instrument DI2008–278

made under the

Public Sector Management Act 1994, s 251 (Management Standards)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Public Sector Management Act 1994* (the Act) regulates the management of the ACT Public Service (the ACTPS). Section 251 of the Act empowers the Commissioner for Public Administration, with the written approval of the Chief Minister, to make Public Sector Management Standards (the Standards) for the purposes of the Act.

Sections 251(6) and (7) of the Act provide that the Chief Minister can give a general approval to the Commissioner for Public Administration to make Standards for specified purposes, subject to conditions where necessary. The Chief Minister has given approval for the specified purpose of amendments that are consistent with a policy direction previously endorsed by Government where the changes are of a technical nature, such as changes to the rates of allowances, clarification of existing clauses and correction of typographical errors, provided the amendments do not include any significant policy changes.

This amendment increases the value of parking spaces for executive vehicles for the purpose of payment in lieu in accordance with parameters agreed to by the Chief Minister under sections 251(6) and (7) of the Act.

The value of parking spaces for executive vehicles was last increased by the ACT Remuneration Tribunal in 2005.

In March 2006 part 7.3 of the Standards was amended to consolidate the parameters around the selection and use of executive vehicle entitlements. At this time the value of payment in lieu of the entitlement to a parking space that had been provided by ACT Remuneration Tribunal Determinations was incorporated into the Standards.

The amendment to section 553(4) of the Standards increases the rate from \$1500 per annum to \$2500 per annum. This increase reflects the value of parking spaces for executive vehicles across the ACTPS.