

# Road Transport (General) (Application of Road Transport Legislation) Declaration 2010 (No 3)

## Disallowable instrument DI2010—34

made under the

**Road Transport (General) Act 1999, section 13 (Power to exclude vehicles, persons or animals from road transport legislation)**

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Subsection 13(1) of the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* empowers the Minister to declare that the road transport legislation does not apply to a vehicle, person or animal in a place or circumstance stated in the declaration.

The purpose of this instrument is to allow accredited hire car operators to provide hire car services using vehicles that are not hire cars, and drivers who are not licensed to drive hire cars, to provide ground transportation logistics when President Obama visits the ACT on 22 to 23 March 2010.

The entourage that will accompany the President's visit requires transportation services for the lead up to, as well as during the President's visit. An exemption from the legislative requirements for hire car services is therefore, required from 11 March until 25 March 2010.

This instrument exempts an accredited operator of a hire car service, designated vehicles, drivers and passengers from the following legislative requirements that apply hire cars:

- *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Act 1999* – section 32C requires that the wheel base measurement of a hire car must be at least 2800mm.
- *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002* – section 181 requires that the accredited operator of a hire car service must ensure that a hire car driver is the holder of a public vehicle licence authorising the person to drive the hire car.
- *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Regulation 2000* – section 9 requires that the driver of a public vehicle must hold a public vehicle licence authorising the person to drive a public vehicle of that kind.
- *Road Transport (Third Party Insurance) 2008* – section 17 requires that a public passenger vehicle must have the appropriate CTP insurance.