## AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

## MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICES (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1978

## No.22 of 1978 EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Motor Omnibus Services (Amendment) Ordinance 1978 amends the Motor Omnibus Services Ordinance 1955 to restructure bus fares. This amendment together with proposed Amendments of the Motor Omnibus Services: Regulations and the Amendments of the Motor Omnibus Fares Regulations will enable fares to be generally increased and restructured.

Details of the amendments included in the Ordinance are as follows:

- Section 4 inserts definitions of "child" and "pensioner" into the Principal Ordinance.
- Sections 5, 6 and 7(1) of the amending Ordinance replaces sections 4BA, 4C(2A) and 4CA of the Frincipal Ordinance with new provisions which enable the Minister to prescribe by Regulations particular classes of persons who may purchase daily tickets, monthly tickets and books of tickets for prescribed prices at concessional rates.
- Section 7(2) of the amending Ordinance repeals section 400 of the Principal Ordinance which permits the sale of term tickets to school students and replaces that provision with a new provision authorising the Minister to sell quarterly tickets to children, school students and pensioners.
- Section 8 of the emending Ordinance effects consequential changes to section 400(2) and (3) of the Principal Ordinance. These consequential changes are mainly concerned with the introduction of quarterly tickets in lieu of term tickets.

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The provisions of the amending Ordinance which relate to the sale of daily tickets, monthly tickets and quarterly tickets are expressed to come into operation on 1 September 1978 whilst the remaining provisions came into operation from the date of gazettal of the Ordinance.

Section 9 of the amending Ordinance enables the sale of tickets to occur before the particular provisions of the Ordinance relating to those tickets came into operation. Section 10 enables Regulations to be made before 1 September 1978 in respect of sections not coming into operation until 1 September provided that the particular Regulations were not expressed to come into operation until 1 September.