

Australian Capital Territory

# Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Maximum Fares for Taxi Services Determination 2011 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI 2011 - 9

made under the

***Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001, section 60 (power to determine maximum taxi fares)***

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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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.

Clauses 1 and 2 are formal provisions relating to the name and commencement of the instrument. The instrument will commence on 31 January 2011.

Clause 3 revokes the previous fare determination.

Clause 4 provides that the maximum fares relating to a hiring or use of a taxi are set out in the Schedule. At the end of the table in the Schedule is a new item relating to Canberra Silver Service Taxis. This item is a parking fee for a pre-booked hiring from the Canberra Airport.

Silver Service taxis, which is part of the Aerial Consolidated Transport taxi network, is expected to begin offering pre-booked hirings from the Canberra airport in late January 2011. These hirings will commence from parking spaces reserved for this service, in the new airport terminal building.

To recover the cost of the reserved spaces, Silver Service taxi operators will need to increase the taxi fares for passengers who use the pre-booked service.

The new pre-booked parking fee will apply from 31 January 2011, when the fare determination commences. The new parking charge for pre-booked hirings will be advertised on the fare sticker in the taxi, on the taxi network's website and explained to customers who make a booking.

The other fares in the table in the Schedule remain unchanged from the previous fare determination.

Clause 5 provides that the fares specified in this determination are payable by the taxi customer to the taxi driver.