## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

## **AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

## TOBACCO ORDINANCE 1957.

No. 10 of 1957

The Tobacco Ordinance 1927-1938 provides for the licensing of vendors of tobacco, cigars or cigarettes. As the system of licensing serves no useful purpose, it is to be discontinued and the relevant sections are repealed by this Ordinance.

Section 10, which is to remain, prohibits the sale of tobacco, cigars or cigarettes to any person apparently under the age of sixteen years. In view of the strong medical opinion on the relationship between smoking and lung cancer, this section has not been repealed.