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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

RACE AND SPORTS BOOKMAKING ACT 2001

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

DIRECTIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF A SPORTS BOOKMAKING VENUE

INSTRUMENT NO. 263 OF 2001

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Outline

The *Race and Sports Bookmakers Act 2001* (the Act) governs the activities of sports bookmakers in the Australian Capital Territory.

Part 3 of the Act provides for the conduct and control of sports bookmaking. In particular, the legislation empowers the Commission to give directions for the operation of a sports bookmaking venue.

Section 22(1) of the Act provides that the Commission may give written directions for the operation of a sports bookmaking venue for the purpose of the Act.

This instrument gives written directions for the operation of sports bookmaking venues. These written directions are the same as the following determinations approved pursuant to the repealed *Bookmakers Act 1985*:

- Determination No. 68 of 1997, notified in Gazette S99 of 18 April 1997;
- Determination No. 244 of 1997, notified in Gazette S333 of 31 October 1997;
- Determination No. 50 of 1999, notified in Gazette S15 of 17 March 1999;
- Determination No. 51 of 2000, notified in Gazette S7 of 17 February 2000;
- Determination No. 340 of 2000, notified in Gazette W45 of 9 November 2000;
- Determination No. 88 of 2001, notified in Gazette W19 of 10 May 2001.

The directions relate to three categories of sports bookmaking venues; directions for the majority of sports bookmaking venues including the Sports Bookmaking Auditorium located at the Canberra Racecourse, directions for the sports bookmaking venues at Manuka Oval, and directions for the sports bookmaking venues at Bruce Stadium.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications associated with the Instrument.