

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION REGULATIONS (AMENDMENT)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

No. 26 of 1983

Section 8 of the Workmen's Compensation (Amendment) Ordinance 1983 inserts into the Workmen's Compensation Ordinance 1951 a new section 9A which permits certain diseases to be specified in the Workmen's Compensation Regulations as diseases to which certain kinds of employment are deemed to contribute unless the contrary is established.

Regulation 8 of the Workmen's Compensation Regulations (Amendment) adds to the Workmen's Compensation Regulations a schedule which relates diseases to employment for the purposes of section 9A. The schedule is the same as the First Schedule to the Compensation (Commonwealth Employees) Regulations, supplemented by provisions relating to asbestosis, mesothelioma and tenosynovitis.

The remaining amending Regulations deal with minor matters which are consequential upon the introduction of the schedule, or rephrase certain Regulations to reflect current drafting policy.