

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

AMENDMENTS OF THE CANBERRA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL (CHARGES)
REGULATIONS

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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For some time it has been the practice to make a charge of 1/- per mile for journeys undertaken by the Canberra Ambulance outside the boundaries of the Australian Capital Territory. Ambulance transport within the Australian Capital Territory has been provided free of charge.

A review of the position has recently been made. It has been found that in most parts of Australia no free ambulance service is provided except for persons without the means to pay.

In view of the position elsewhere in Australia the Canberra Community Hospital (Charges) Regulations have been amended to authorise the introduction of ambulance charges on the follows scale –

within the Australian Capital Territory – 12/6 per journey;

beyond the Australian Capital Territory – 1/6 per mile to be calculated from ambulance depot to ambulance depot.