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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE  
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

**Domestic Animals (Cat Containment)  
Amendment Bill 2005**

**Government Amendment**

**Supplementary Explanatory Statement**

**Amendment to be moved by the Minister for Urban Services**

**John Hargreaves MLA**

**Explanatory Statement:**

This amendment delays the commencement of the *Domestic Animals (Cat Containment) Amendment Bill 2005*, from the day after the notification of the Bill on the ACT Government Legislation Register to a date fixed in writing by the Minister. If the provision has not commenced within 6 months, automatic commencement will take effect at that time.

This delay is necessary to allow time for subordinate legislation for the compulsory microchipping program to be prepared in conjunction with cat management and identification legislation and systems in other jurisdictions to ensure that the Territory's legislation is consistent and compatible with these jurisdictions, particularly New South Wales and Victoria.