

Health Professionals (Veterinary Surgeons Board) Appointment 2015 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2015— 64

made under the

Health Professionals Regulation 2004, section 5 (Board president)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The ACT Veterinary Surgeons Board (the board) is established by schedule 1 of the *Health Professionals Regulation 2004* (the regulation).

Section 5 (1) of the regulation provides that the Minister must appoint a person to be president of a health profession board.

This instrument appoints Dr Sarah Webb as president of the board for a period of 4 years, commencing on 14 May 2015.

Section 5 (2) of the regulation provides that the Minister may only appoint a person as a president of a health profession board if that person—

- (a) is a registered member of a health profession for which the health profession board was established; and
- (b) has been registered for a continuous period of at least 3 years immediately before the day of appointment.

Dr Webb meets the requirements of section 5 (2) of the regulation, having been a registered veterinary surgeon for over 3 years.

Section 11 (1) of the regulation provides that before appointing someone other than a community representative to a health profession board the Minister must consult the board. The Minister has consulted the board on the appointment of Dr Webb.

Section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001* provides that before making an appointment to a statutory position, the Minister must consult with the relevant standing committee of the Legislative Assembly. Consultation on Dr Webb's appointment has occurred with the Standing Committee on Planning, Environment and Territory and Municipal Services.

Dr Webb is not an ACT public servant.