

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ACT 1999

APPOINTMENT

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Instrument No. 11 of 2001

The *Children and Young People Act 1999* established a Childrens Services Council.

Under section 35(2) of the Act, the functions of the Council are:

- (a) to report to the Minister, at the Minister's request, on anything relating to the operation or administration of the Act; and
- (b) to make recommendations to the Minister about services for children and young people in the Territory.

Members are appointed under section 36 which states that membership is to comprise of three to ten persons who have expertise in relation to services for children or young people and at least one member to represent the interests of carers. Section 37 states that the Minister is to appoint a Chairperson from among the members.

The Minister has appointed Mr Jim Fraser as Chairperson until 30 November 2003.

In accordance with Section 4 of the *Statutory Appointments Act 1994* the Standing Committee on Education was consulted on the appointment.