Construction Occupations Licensing (Fees) Determination 2016

Disallowable Instrument DI2016-126

made under the

Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004, s 127 (Determination of fees)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 127 of the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004* (the Act) permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

The purpose of this instrument is to determine the fees for goods and services under the Act for the 2016-17 financial year.

The fees determined for the 2016-17 financial year represent the 2015-16 financial year fees increased in accordance with ACT Treasury's inflation factor of 4%. Appropriate rounding has been made in relation to increases.

As a result of increased rigor in the assessment of licence applications and an alignment of fees based on a jurisdictional analysis (NSW, VIC and QLD), the licence application and term fees for builder and building surveyor classes have been increased. In addition, the increase provides for a greater focus on education and regulatory response to those occupations.

In addition, the licence application fee for all classes has been amended to include a reduced fee for applications lodged electronically.

The instrument commences on 1 July 2016.

This instrument revokes the *Construction Occupations Licensing (Fees) Determination 2015 (No 1)* (DI2015-193).

The determination under section 127 of the Act is a disallowable instrument and must be presented to the Legislative Assembly within 6 sitting days after its notification pursuant to section 64 of the *Legislation Act 2001*.

Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS)

A RIS is not required for this fee determination due to s 36(1)(k) of the Legislation Act, which states that a RIS need not be prepared for an amendment of a fee consistent with announced government policy.

Human Rights

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) terms of reference require consideration of human rights impacts, among other matters. In this case, no human rights are impacted.