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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

Crimes (Protection of Witness Identity) Regulation 2017

SUBORDINATE LAW No SL2017-7

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Outline

The *Crimes (Protection of Witness Identity) Regulation 2017* supports the *Crimes (Protection of Witness Identity) Act 2011* (the Act). The Act provides a scheme to protect the identities of undercover operatives both within the ACT and in other jurisdictions, in the context of court proceedings.

Section 24 of the Act authorises regulations in relation to the Act.

Clause Notes

Section 1 – Name of regulation

This section specifies the title of the regulations and provides that the regulation is the *Crimes (Protection of Witness Identity) Regulation 2017*.

Section 2 – Commencement

This section provides that the regulation commences on the day after its notification day.

Section 3 – Corresponding law – Act, dict, def *corresponding law*

This section declares the laws listed as laws of other jurisdictions which correspond with the Act. A corresponding law is defined in the dictionary of the Act as a law of another jurisdiction that corresponds to the Act, and includes a law of another jurisdiction that is declared by regulation to correspond to the Act.

The laws have been declared as they substantially correspond to ACT legislation. Declaring the laws as corresponding laws will assist with the facilitation of cross-border criminal investigations which have a geographical nexus with the ACT and another jurisdiction.