

Australian Capital Territory

Veterinary Surgeons (Acting Member) Appointment 2018 (No 2)

Notifiable instrument NI2018 – 408

made under the

Veterinary Surgeons Act 2015, section 110 (Appointment of board members)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Part 10 of the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 2015* (the ACT) establishes the ACT Veterinary Surgeons Board and sets out its functions.

Section 110 of that Act provides that the Minister may appoint a person as a member of the board (other than the community representative) if the person is a registered veterinary surgeon and has been registered for a continuous period of at least 3 years immediately before the day of the appointment. Dr Melanie Latter satisfies these requirements.

This instrument appoints Dr Melanie Latter as an acting member of the board for a further three months to 30 September 2018 commencing the day after notification.

Section 111 of the Act provides that before appointing someone other than a community representative to the board the Minister must consult the board. The Minister has consulted the board on the appointment of Dr Latter.

Section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001* provides that before making an appointment to a statutory position, a Minister must consult with the relevant standing committee of the Legislative Assembly. Section 227 of the *Legislation Act* provides that the consultation requirement in section 228 does not apply to the appointment of a person to, or to act in, a statutory position for not longer than 6 months, unless the appointment is of the person to, or to act in, the position for a second or subsequent consecutive period. As this is the second acting appointment of Dr Latter to act as a member of the Board, the Minister consulted with the relevant standing committee.