

Australian Capital Territory

Road Transport (General) Vehicle Registration and Related Fees Determination 2020 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2020–215

made under the

Road Transport (General) Act 1999, section 96 (Determination of fees, charges and other amounts)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 96 of the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* allows the Minister to determine fees, charges and other amounts payable under the ACT road transport legislation.

This disallowable instrument has the effect of determining fees, payable in advance, for transactions relating to vehicle registration and related fees under the road transport legislation.

Vehicle registration fees have not increased in this determination. These fees have been frozen at 2019-20 levels as part of the government's Economic Survival Package, which was announced in March 2020.

Heavy vehicle fees are agreed nationally and have not been increased by this determination. The COAG Transport and Infrastructure Council agreed in May 2020 not to increase heavy vehicle fees and charges as part of the response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other road transport fees and charges have been increased by the wage price index of 2% in accordance with budget memo 2020/07, rounded down to the nearest ten cents. The short-term pro-rata rate for the Road Rescue Fee has increased from \$2.20 to \$2.30 as this fee is one twelfth of the 12-month fee rounded down to the nearest 10 cents. The short-term registration surcharge (payable for registration periods of less than 12 months) has not been changed. The fee for replacement of a registration label has been removed. Registration labels are no longer issued or replaced for any vehicle.

The definitions of Veteran, Vintage and Historic vehicles have been inserted to clarify the vehicles to which Veteran, Vintage and Historic vehicle registration fees are

applicable. This provides clarification only and does not affect how these vehicles are registered or the fees that are applied to them.

Column 1 of schedule 1 lists the item number for which the fee is payable. Column 2 of schedule 1 describes the service or other matter in relation to the fee payable. Column 3 of schedule 1 lists the fee payable for a registration period commencing on or before the date listed in that column. Column 4 of schedule 1 lists the fee payable for a registration period commencing on or after the date listed in that column.

Schedules 2 and 3 provide for fees applicable to external organisations requesting data sourced from the Road Transport Authority database.

The preference of the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety (Legislative Scrutiny Role) that Instruments or Explanatory Statements identify the amount of the old and new fee, any percentage increase and also the reason for any increase in the Instrument or the Explanatory Statement has been taken into account in the preparation of the Instrument and the Explanatory Statement.

There are no human rights or climate change implications arising from this instrument.

This determination 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*.