Australian Capital Territory

Children and Young People (Death Review Committee) Deputy Chair Appointment 2021 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2021-92

made under the

Children and Young People Act 2008, Section 727EA (Appointment of deputy chair of the Committee)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Chapter 19A of the *Children and Young People Act 2008* (the Act) provides for the establishment of the Children and Young People Death Review Committee (the Committee). Section 727D (1) requires the Minister to appoint between 8 and 10 members to the Committee. Section 727EA states that the Minister must appoint a Deputy Chair of the Committee from the members appointed under section 727D. The Minister has taken all appropriate steps to comply with the Act.

This instrument appoints:

Mr Eric Chalmers;

as Deputy Chair of the ACT Children and Young People Death Review Committee. The appointment will be until 26 January 2024, to coincide with the period for which Mr Chalmers has been appointed as a member of the Children and Young People Death Review Committee.

The ACT Remuneration Determination 13 of 2020 (Part-time Public Office Holders) has granted a per diem payment of \$875 to the Chair of the ACT Children and Young People Death Review Committee. The Deputy Chair will be entitled to this remuneration on the occasions that he acts as Chair and presides over a Committee meeting.

Division 19.3.3, section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001* requires that appointments to statutory positions made by the Minister be made after consultation with a Standing Committee of the Legislative Assembly. The Minister consulted with the Standing Committee on Health and Community Wellbeing on 15 April 2021. The Standing Committee considered the appointments and advised on 18 May 2021 that in accordance with the *Legislation Act 2001*, the Committee noted the information

provided and offered no comment or specific recommendation regarding the proposed appointments.

This Disallowable Instrument is necessary to provide Mr Chalmers with the statutory authority to perform the functions of ACT Children and Young People Death Review Committee Deputy Chair pursuant to the provisions of the *Children and Young People Act 2008*.