

Australian Capital Territory

Veterinary Practice (Board) Appointment 2022 (No 1)

Disallowable instrument DI2022-24

made under the

Veterinary Practice Act 2018, section 93 (Board membership)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Part 7 of the *Veterinary Practice Act 2018* (the Act) establishes the Veterinary Practitioners Board (Board) and sets out its functions. Section 93 of the Act provides that the Board consists of seven members appointed by the Minister.

Under Section 94 of the Act, members can be appointed to the Board for a term of no longer than 3 years.

Section 93 of the Act provides the members that make up the Board.

Section 93(1)(b) of the Act provides for appointment of a person who is a registered veterinary practitioner and has been registered for a continuous period of at least three years immediately before the day of the appointment. Dr Amanda-Lee Charman meets these requirements.

Section 93(1)(d) of the Act provides for appointment of a person who is not a veterinary practitioner. Ms Mary Brennan is not a veterinary practitioner. Section 93(4) of the Act requires appointees made under Section 93(4) to reside in the ACT. Ms Brennan resides in the ACT.

This instrument appoints Dr Charman and Ms Brennan as members of the board for three years commencing 15 March 2022.

Section 96 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 Charman and Ms Brennan.

Neither Dr Charman nor Ms Brennan are public servants. Division 19.3.3 of the *Legislation Act 2001* applies to these appointments. Prior to making this appointment, in accordance with section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001*, the Minister consulted the Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services.