

SCHEDULE - FEES AND CHARGES TO BE PAID

General Explanatory Notes

A. Overview of increases in fees and charges

Fees have generally been increased by 2.5%.

B. Sale of Motor Vehicles

The Sale of Motor Vehicles Act 1977 relates to the sale of motor vehicles and the licensing of motor vehicle dealers. Section 90A enables the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act. The increase in fees and charges will result in about \$2,000 per year in additional revenue and payments into the ACT Motor Vehicle Dealers Compensation Fund.

C. Credit

The Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996 relates to the registration of Credit Providers and Finance Brokers. Section 140 enables the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act. The increase in fees and charges will result in about \$3,000 per year in additional revenue.

D. Trade Measurement

The Trade Measurement (Administration) Act 1991 provides for the administration of the Trade Measurement Act 1991 and related matters concerning trade measurement legislation. Section 3 of the Trade Measurement (Administration) Act 1991 defines "the trade measurement legislation" as including the Trade Measurement (Administration) Act 1991, Trade Measurement Act 1991, the Weights and Measures (Sale of Bread) Act 1929, and regulations made under these Acts. Section 12(1) of the Trade Measurement (Administration) Act 1991 enables the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of trade measurement legislation. The increase in fees and charges will result in about \$7,500 per year in additional revenue.

E. Agents

The Agents Act 1958 provides for the administration of real estate agents, stock and station agents, business agents and travel agents. Section 120A of the Act permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act. The increase in fees and charges will result in about \$2,500 per year in additional revenue.

F. Liquor

The Liquor Act 1975 governs the sale and consumption of liquor in the ACT. Section 179 enables the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act. Note that this instrument revokes a determination of fees made earlier in 2000 (dated 7 March 2000). The increase in fees and charges will result in about \$20,500 per year in additional revenue.

G. Commencement

Clauses 1 and 5 of the determination come into effect on Gazettal of the instrument (this is necessary to set various fees under the Agent Act that must come into operation before 1 July of each year). The rest of the Determination comes into effect on 1 July 2000. As the new fees and charges come into effect, earlier determinations of those fees and charges cease to have effect.

H. GST

With the exceptions noted below, fees and charges imposed in this instrument are to be exempted from GST by the "A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) (Exempt Taxes, Fees and Charges) Determination 2000" by the Commonwealth Treasurer under section 81-5 of the "A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999" (before 1 July 2000).

GST is payable in relation to a number of fees for services provided under the Trade Measurement (Administration) Act 1991 where provided in competition or in the course of hiring test equipment. In such cases, the determined fee has been made GST inclusive.