



# AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

## **Statement Number 142**

### **Members of the Legislative Assembly**

### **Travel for Study/Investigation Purposes**

#### **Background**

The Tribunal last reviewed the remuneration and entitlements for the Members of the Legislative Assembly in March 2003 in accordance with the provisions of section 9 of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995* and issued Determination 118 with effect from 1 July 2003.

A former MLA has written to the Tribunal requesting the Tribunal to review the clauses prescribing travel for study and investigation.

#### **Tribunal Consideration**

Although the existing Determination for MLA's indicates that prior approval for travel for study and investigation purposes should be sought from the Presiding Officer, the Tribunal formed the view that it was inappropriate to place such a restriction on an entitlement of this nature and decided to amend the Determination.

The Tribunal also decided to remove from the Determination the requirement for a written report to be made to the Presiding Officer. The Tribunal considers that it should no longer prescribe the arrangements for the management of this entitlement.

It was therefore decided that the MLA Determination should be amended accordingly and that this should be a retrospective amendment from 1 July 2001.

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Pursuant to section 9 of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995*, the Remuneration Tribunal has inquired into the remuneration and allowances to be paid, and other entitlements to be granted to persons appointed to certain public offices.

This Determination shall take effect from 1 July 2001.

Alan Kerr AM  
Acting Chair

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December 2003

Roberta McRae OAM  
Member

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The Tribunal has determined that Determination 118 of 8 April 2003 be varied by deleting the following:

“5.4 With the approval of the Presiding Officer a non-Executive Member may be permitted to draw on the entitlement after submitting details of the purpose of the journey, the period of the journey, a detailed itinerary of the places to be visited and details of any proposed attendance at conferences or training to be undertaken.

5.5 Within eight weeks of completing the journey or attending the conference, a non-Executive Member who has drawn upon the entitlement shall submit to the Presiding Officer a written report detailing the travel undertaken and expenses incurred (including any reimbursement received for nominee accompanied travel), names and area of responsibility of persons contacted, a summary of business undertaken, and, in relation to any approved training undertaken, a report on that training.”

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