



Australian Capital Territory Remuneration Tribunal

## Members of the ACT Legislative Assembly

### Determination 1 of 2014

made under the  
**Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995, section 9 (Inquiries about members of Legislative Assembly)**

## ACOMPANYING STATEMENT

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### Background

Under section 9 of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995* (the Act) the Remuneration Tribunal (Tribunal) is required to inquire into, and determine, the salary, allowances and other entitlements for:

- the Chief Minister;
- the Deputy Chief Minister;
- other Ministers; and
- Members of the Legislative Assembly (Members) other than Ministers.

Section 9 of the Act, read in conjunction with section 73 of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* (Commonwealth), requires the Tribunal to determine the salary and allowances for the:

- Leader of the Opposition;
- Deputy Leader of the Opposition;
- Government Whip;

- Opposition Whip; and
- presiding member of a committee of the Legislative Assembly.

## **Determination 1 of 2014**

This Determination 1 of 2014 covers only provisions for:

- accompanied travel for Executive Members; and
- study and accompanied travel allowances for non-Executive members.

Determination 7 of 2014 will cover all other aspects of salary and other entitlements for Members.

## **Decisions regarding study and accompanied travel entitlements**

The Tribunal released an issues paper in December 2013, canvassing a range of matters relating to salary and allowances for Members. The Tribunal called for submissions at that time and again in January 2014.

Matters considered by the Tribunal include the study and accompanied travel entitlements. The Tribunal is conscious that this entitlement is not one that is routinely available to the community. It has identified the entitlement as one where savings can be made to offset other more appropriate entitlements that will be identified in Determination 7 of 2014. In considering the best use of public funds to enable Members to fulfil their role, these entitlements are abolished from 3 April 2014.

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#### **1 Commencement**

1.1 This instrument commences on 3 April 2014.

#### **2 Accompanied travel for Executive Members**

2.1 The accompanied travel entitlement for Executive Members is abolished effective from 3 April 2014 with the exception of travel that has already been approved on or before 2 April 2014.

#### **3 Studies and accompanied travel for non-Executive Members**

3.1 The study and accompanied travel entitlement for non-Executive members is abolished effective from 3 April 2014 with the exception of travel that has already been approved on or before 2 April 2014.

#### **4 Revocation of clauses 7 and 8 of previous determination**

4.1 Clause 7 'Accompanied travel entitlement—Executive Members' of Determination 1 of 2013 (Members of the ACT Legislative Assembly) is revoked.

4.2 Clause 8 'Studies and accompanied travel entitlement—non-Executive Members' of Determination 1 of 2013 (Members of the ACT Legislative Assembly) is revoked.

Anne Cahill Lambert AM

Chair

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James Smythe PSM

Member

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