

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

ASSEMBLY MEMBERS AND STATUTORY OFFICERS (REMUNERATION
AND OTHER ENTITLEMENTS) AMENDMENT ACT 2009

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An Act to amend the *Assembly Members and Statutory Officers (Remuneration and Other Entitlements) Act*

[Assented to 1 September 2009]

[Second reading 10 June 2009]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Assembly Members and Statutory Officers (Remuneration and Other Entitlements) Amendment Act 2009*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the date fixed by the Administrator by *Gazette* notice.

3 Act amended

This Act amends the *Assembly Members and Statutory Officers (Remuneration and Other Entitlements) Act 2006*.

4 Amendment of section 2 (Definitions)

(1) Section 2

omit

In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears –

substitute

In this Act:

- (2) Section 2, definition **entitlement**

omit, substitute

entitlement includes a salary, an allowance and any other remuneration or benefit (including, for example, a reimbursement of expenses incurred, and the provision of goods, services, facilities and any other assistance).

5 Amendment of section 4 (Other entitlements)

- (1) Section 4, heading

omit, substitute

4 Tribunal's powers

- (2) After section 4(1)

insert

- (1A) In addition, the Tribunal must, on the Administrator's request, inquire into, or inquire into and determine, an entitlement for a former Assembly member who retires involuntarily as prescribed by regulation.
- (1B) Without limiting subsection (1), the Tribunal may, under the request, inquire into, or inquire into and determine, an additional salary of office and other entitlements, including, for example, the following:
- (a) an entitlement for establishing or maintaining offices for an Assembly member, including:
 - (i) the provision of staff and equipment for the offices; and
 - (ii) the payment or reimbursement of amounts to cover expenses incurred in relation to the offices;
 - (b) an entitlement for official travel undertaken by:
 - (i) an Assembly member; and
 - (ii) a person who, under a determination, may accompany an Assembly member for the travel;
 - (c) the provision of a motor vehicle to an Assembly member;

(d) an entitlement relating to child care services required because of the performance of official functions by an Assembly member.

(1C) However, the Tribunal does not have power to inquire into, or inquire into and determine, an entitlement for a matter prescribed by regulation.

6 Repeal and substitution of section 24 (Regulations)

Section 24

repeal, substitute

24 Regulations

The Administrator may make regulations under this Act.

7 New Part 6

After section 29

insert

Part 6 Transitional matters for Assembly Members and Statutory Officers (Remuneration and Other Entitlements) Amendment Act 2009

30 Administrative arrangements continue

(1) An existing administrative arrangement for an entitlement of an Assembly member continues to have effect until a determination under section 4 for the entitlement takes effect.

(2) In this section:

existing administrative arrangement, for an entitlement of an Assembly member, means the administrative arrangement relating to the entitlement:

(a) made by the Chief Minister, and tabled in the Legislative Assembly, on 21 February 2007; or

(b) made by the Chief Minister, and tabled in the Legislative Assembly, on 29 November 2007.