

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 73 of 1994

AN ACT

to amend the Environmental Assessment Act

[Assented to 30 December 1994]

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978 of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Environmental Assessment Amendment Act 1994.

2. REPEAL

Section 6 of the ${\it Environmental Assessment Act}$ is repealed.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Section 7(2) of the Environmental Assessment Act is amended -

- (a) by omitting from paragraph (a) "an environmental impact statement" and substituting "assessment of the effect of a proposed action on the environment";
- (b) by omitting from paragraph (b) "an environmental impact statement" and substituting "a public environmental report or an environmental impact statement";
- (c) by omitting from paragraph (c) "an environmental impact statement" and substituting "a public environmental report or an environmental impact statement";

- (d) by omitting from paragraph (d) "making of an environmental impact statement available" and substituting "making available of a public environmental report or an environmental impact statement";
- (e) by omitting from paragraph (f) "an environmental impact statement" and substituting "a public environmental report or an environmental impact statement";
- (f) by omitting from paragraph (g) -
 - (i) "the examination of an environmental impact statement" and substituting "the examination of information supplied in accordance with those procedures";
 - (ii) "the matters to which an environmental impact statement relates" and substituting "the matters to which the information relates"; and
 - (iii) "; and" and substituting ";";
- (g) by inserting after paragraph (g) the following:
- "(ga) the making available of comments, suggestions and recommendations, in cases or circumstances specified by or in accordance with those procedures, to the public;";
 - (h) by omitting, from paragraph (h), "procedures." and substituting "procedures;"; and
 - (j) by adding, at the end, the following:
 - "(j) the establishing and maintaining by or on behalf of the Minister of a record in respect of each proposed action in respect of which a public environmental report or an environmental impact statement is prepared and submitted for examination and the making available of the record for public inspection; and
 - (k) the review of the effectiveness of an assessment of a proposed action under those procedures.".

4. DELEGATION

Section 11(1) of the *Environmental Assessment Act* is amended by omitting "person" and substituting "person, or the holder from time to time of a particular designation or office,".

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5. REGULATIONS

Section 12(g) of the <code>Environmental Assessment Act</code> is amended by omitting "\$500" and substituting "\$10,000".

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