



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 10 of 1992

AN ACT

to amend the *Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act*

[Assented to 21 April 1992]

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 *Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Act 1992*.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall come into operation on the commencement of the *Dog Act Repeal Act 1991*.

3. NEW SECTION

The *Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act* is amended by adding at the end the following:

"35. PROVISION FOR GUIDE-DOGS OR HEARING DOGS

"Notwithstanding any other law in force in the Territory -

- (a) a person who is wholly or partially blind or deaf is entitled to be accompanied by a guide-dog or hearing dog, as the case may be, into a building or place open to or used by the public

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for any purpose whatsoever or into a vehicle, vessel or craft used for the carriage of passengers for hire or reward and shall not be guilty of an offence by reason only that the person takes that dog into or permits that dog to enter such a building, place, vehicle, vessel or craft; and

- (b) an occupier or person in charge of a building or place open to or used by the public or in charge of a vehicle, vessel or craft used for the carriage of passengers for hire or reward shall not refuse entry into any such building, place, vehicle, vessel or craft, or deny accommodation or service to a person who is wholly or partially blind or deaf, by reason only that the person is accompanied by a guide-dog or hearing dog.

Penalty: \$500."
