



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 34 of 1988

AN ACT

to amend the *Financial Administration
and Audit Act*

[Assented to 14 September 1988]

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 *Financial Administration and Audit Amendment Act 1988*.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

The *Financial Administration and Audit Act* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

3. TREASURER'S ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Section 29 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (1) the following:

"(1A) The Treasurer shall cause a signed copy of the statements referred to in subsection (1), together with a signed copy of the Auditor-General's report under section 57, to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly within 6 sitting days after the receipt of the report by the Treasurer."

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4. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION

Section 56 of the Principal Act and the heading "*Division 3 - Auditor-General's Annual Report*" after that section are repealed and the following substituted:

"Division 3 - Auditor-General's Reports

"56. REPORTS TO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS

"(1) The Auditor-General shall, at least once in each year, prepare and submit a report to the Legislative Assembly on those matters arising from the exercise of his powers and the performance of his functions that, in his opinion, should be reported to the Assembly.

"(2) The Auditor-General -

(a) may, at any time, make a special report to the Legislative Assembly on any matter or thing arising out of an audit to which, in his opinion, attention should be drawn; or

(b) may, whenever he considers it expedient to do so, discharge his duty to prepare and sign a report by preparing and signing a report, and as soon as practicable thereafter, a report or reports supplementary to that report."

5. AUDIT OF TREASURER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT

Section 57 of the Principal Act is amended -

(a) by omitting "upon" and substituting "within 2 months after"; and

(b) by omitting "Legislative Assembly" and substituting "Treasurer".

6. REPEAL OF SECTION 58

Section 58 of the Principal Act is repealed.
