



## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

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No. 17 of 1983

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### AN ACT

To amend the *Consumer Protection Act*

[Assented to 24 June 1983]

**B**E 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 *Consumer Protection Amendment Act 1983*.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

The *Consumer Protection Act* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

3. INTERPRETATION

Section 4 of the Principal Act is amended -

(a) by omitting from the definition of "Commissioner" the words "a person acting in that capacity" and substituting "the Deputy Commissioner";

(b) by inserting after the definition of "Council" the following definition:

"'Deputy Commissioner' means the Deputy Commissioner of Consumer Affairs for the Northern Territory appointed under section 16;"

4. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION

Section 16 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following substituted:

*Consumer Protection Amendment*

"16. COMMISSIONER AND DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

"(1) There shall be -

(a) a Commissioner of Consumer Affairs for the Northern Territory; and

(b) a Deputy Commissioner of Consumer Affairs for the Northern Territory.

"(2) The Minister shall appoint employees to be the Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner respectively."

5. POWER OF COMMISSIONER

Section 18 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting sub-section (7) and substituting the following:

"(7) A reference in this section to the Commissioner shall be construed to include a reference to a person authorized in writing by the Commissioner for the purpose of seeking information from, or asking questions of, any person pursuant to this section concerning the matter specified in the authorization."

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