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ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BILL 1994

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NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

A BILL for AN ACT

to amend the Anti-Discrimination Act

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 Anti-Discrimination Amendment Act 1994.

2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on 22 November 1994.

3. INTERPRETATION

Section 4 of the Anti-Discrimination Act is amended -

- (a) by inserting after the definition of "advertisement" the following:
- "'artificial fertilisation procedure' means any artificial insemination procedure or in vitro fertilisation procedure;
- 'artificial insemination procedure' means a procedure where human sperm are introduced, by a non-coital method, into the reproductive system of a woman but which is not, and is not an integral part of, an *in vitro* fertilisation procedure;";

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- (b) by inserting after the definition of "insurance" the following:
- "'in vitro fertilisation procedure' means a procedure which -
 - (a) is consequent on the removal of an egg from the body of a woman, and carried out for one or more of the following purposes:
 - (i) the fertilisation of the egg, within or outside her body;
 - (ii) the keeping or use of the egg with intent to derive from it an egg in the process of fertilisation or an embryo; or
 - (iii) the keeping or use of the egg in the process of fertilisation or embryo so derived; or
 - (b) is directed at the introduction into the body of a woman of -
 - (i) an egg, whether produced by the woman or by another woman; or
 - (ii) an egg in the process of fertilisation or an embryo, whether produced by the woman or by another woman and whether or not fertilisation began outside the body into which it is introduced;"; and
 - (c) by adding at the end the following:
- "(7) A reference in this Act to the provision of a service does not include the carrying out of an artificial fertilisation procedure.".

4. PREVIOUS OPERATION OF ACT

Nothing in this Act shall be construed as applying to or in relation to a complaint made under the Anti-Discrimination Act before the commencement of this Act.