



Serial 251  
Water Supply  
and Sewerage  
Amendment  
Mr Ortmann

## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

# A BILL for AN ACT

to amend the *Water Supply and Sewerage Act*

**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 *Water Supply and Sewerage Amendment Act 1993*.

### 2. CHARGES FOR SUPPLY

Section 33 of the *Water Supply and Sewerage Act* is amended -

- (a) by omitting from subsection (1) "as prescribed" and substituting "as prescribed by the Regulations or determined by the Minister";
- (b) by omitting from subsection (2) "and are as prescribed" and substituting "and are as prescribed by the Regulations or determined by the Minister";
- (c) by inserting after subsection (2) the following:

"(3) The Minister may, for the purposes of subsection (1) or (2), by notice in the *Gazette*, determine the charges for a sewerage service made available to land or the subject of an agreement under section 47, or for the supply of water.";

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(d) by inserting in subsection (7), after "The Regulations", the words "(or a determination under subsection (3) to the extent necessary to identify the particular person or land to whom or which a particular charge applies)";

(e) by inserting in subsection (7), after paragraph (d), the following:

"(da) different charges for different owners or classes of owners to whose land a sewerage service is made available or water is supplied or different users or classes of users of a water supply;"

(f) by omitting from subsection (7)(k) all words after "any land," and substituting "together with penalty charges, if any, lawfully accruing."; and

(g) by omitting subsection (10) and substituting the following:

"(10) Where a charge, fee or debt for or in relation to a sewerage service made available or water supply to land has not been paid to the Authority within the time required by or under this or any other Act for its payment, the Authority may take proceedings against the owner of the land for the recovery of the charge, fee or debt (including any such charge, fee or debt incurred by a previous owner) as a debt due and payable to the Authority."

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