



Serial 43  
Darwin Rates Amendment  
Mr Vale

## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

# A BILL for AN ACT

to amend the *Darwin Rates 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 *Darwin Rates Amendment Act 1991*.

### 2. COMMENCEMENT

This Act shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1 July 1991.

### 3. DEFINITIONS

Section 4 of the *Darwin Rates Act* is amended -

- (a) by omitting from the definition of "municipality" the words "*Local Government Ordinance*" and substituting "*Local Government Act*";
- (b) by omitting from the definition of "owner" the words "*Real Property Act and Ordinance*" and substituting "*Real Property Act*";
- (c) by omitting the definition of "the prescribed area";
- (d) by omitting from the definition of "the Valuer-General" and "unimproved capital value" the words "*Valuation of Land Ordinance*" and substituting "*Valuation of Land Act*"; and
- (e) by omitting "this Ordinance" (twice occurring) and substituting "this Act".

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4. MINISTER TO DECLARE RATE

Section 14 of the *Darwin Rates Act* is amended -

- (a) by inserting in subsection (1), after "prescribed area", the words "and declare a minimum amount which may be levied as a rate in respect of one parcel of ratable land"; and
- (b) by omitting subsection (2).

5. REPEAL AND SUBSTITUTION

Section 43 of the *Darwin Rates Act* is repealed and the following substituted:

"43. PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT

"(1) Where a rate or part of a rate remains unpaid after the date on which it becomes due and payable, there shall be payable on the amount from time to time due a penalty of 1.5% for each month or part of a month during which any part of the rate remains unpaid.

"(2) A penalty under subsection (1) is, and is recoverable as, part of the rate on which it is calculated."

6. FURTHER AMENDMENTS

The *Darwin Rates Act* is further amended as provided in the Schedule.

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SCHEDULE

Section 6

AMENDMENTS

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Provision	Amendment	
	omit	substitute
Section 15	"2 dollars"	"the amount declared for that purpose under section 14"
Section 18	"either of the last 2 preceding sections"	"section 16 or 17"

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AMENDMENTS - continued

Provision	Amendment	
	omit	substitute
Section 20	"Local Court of Darwin"	"Local Court"
Section 21	"Local Court of Darwin"	"Local Court"
Section 22	"the local court"	"the Local Court"
Section 25	"an Act or Ordinance other than this Ordinance"	"an Act other than this Act"
Section 28	"an Act or Ordinance other than this Ordinance"	"an Act other than this Act"
	"specified in the Act or Ordinance"	"specified in the Act"
Section 31(3)	<i>Crown Lands Ordinance</i> "	" <i>Crown Lands Act</i> "
Section 51(1) and (2)	"40 dollars"	"\$500"
Section 52	"100 dollars"	"\$1,000"
Section 57	"this Ordinance a declaration made under <i>Statutory Declarations Act 1959-1966</i> "	"this Act a statutory declaration made"
Long title and sections 1, 2, 12(1), 15, 27, 41, 42, 47, 50(1) and (2), 52, 54, 55, 56, 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63.	"Ordinance" (wherever occurring)	"Act"

