

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SUMMARY OF BILLS

Fourth Assembly – 1998-1999-2000-2001

ACTEW (Transfer Scheme) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 26 November 1998

This Bill contains a scheme of arrangement to enable the sale and transfer of certain assets of ACTEW bodies and the granting of contractual rights with respect to assets of an ACTEW body declared by the Minister to be public assets and therefore to be held in public ownership.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

ACTEW/AGL Partnership Facilitation Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 17 February 2000

This Bill would facilitate the establishment of joint venture partnerships between the subsidiaries of ACTEW Corporation (ACTEW) and the Australian Gas Light Company (AGL) to supply multi utility services. It would provide that ACTEW would maintain at least 50% beneficial interest in the joint venture partnerships and have the ability to appoint at least 50% of the directors of the partnerships.

ACTION Corporation Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 25 November 1999

This Bill would establish the ACTION Corporation as a statutory authority to provide public passenger transport services. The legislation seeks to provide ACTION as a separate body with an increased level of accountability and improved focus on its commercial activities.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999

Acts Revision (Taxation of Territory Authorities) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) – 25 June 1998

This Bill renders ACT Government business enterprises (GBEs), which are separate legal entities, liable for a range of Territory taxes, fees and charges.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998

Administration (Interstate Agreements) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 27 August 1998

This Bill would amend the *Administration (Interstate Agreements) Act 1997* in order to improve the clarity of the provisions of the Act. There is no change of substance.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Administrative Appeals Tribunal (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 26 August 1998

This Bill would amend the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1979* to repeal Schedule 1 to the Act and to insert a new Schedule 1. The existing and the proposed Schedules prescribe the form of oath or affirmation to be taken by a member of the Tribunal.

The effect would be to delete a reference in the oath to allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 20 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Administrative Decisions (Judicial Review) Act 1989* to the effect of amending the definition of the concept of “person aggrieved”. In the case of a “decision” made under the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, and the *Heritage Objects Act 1991* any person who considered the decision or conduct “to be contrary to law” could challenge the decision.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Adult Entertainment and Restricted Material Bill 2000 – Mr Rugendyke – 29 March 2000

This Bill will limit the Adult entertainment and restricted material industries to the industrial suburbs of Fyshwick, Hume and Mitchell.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Agents (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Berry - 24 June 1998

This Bill amends the *Agents Act 1968* to put in place a scheme for the regulation of employment agents in the Australian Capital Territory, consistent with other states.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998

Agents (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 29 October 1998

This Bill makes a number of minor technical amendments to the *Agents Act 1968*. The amendments are consequential upon amendments to the Travel Compensation Fund Trust Deed, which provides for the establishment and administration of a national Travel Compensation Fund and a Compensation Scheme in relation to business carried on by travel agents. The amendments to the Act are necessary to reflect changes in the terminology and the numbering of clauses in the amended Trust Deed.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1998

Agents Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Osborne – 6 December 2000

This Bill will increase the privacy of people who are purchasing or selling a residential property by restricting the use of information of such sales for advertising purposes.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001

Agents Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will remove provisions in the *Agents Act 1968* that are inconsistent with section 175 of the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* and clarify the operation of the 1968 Act relating to claims for compensation that are lodged with the Agents Board.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Ambulance Service Levy (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 6 May 1999

This Bill amends the *Ambulance Service Levy Act 1990* to provide for an increase in the amount used in the calculation of the Ambulance Service Levy, from 63 cents to 83 cents. The levy is payable by health benefits organisations in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Animal Diseases Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 26 August 1999

This Bill would amend the *Animal Diseases Act 1993* for various purposes which include provisions to enable an inspector to enter premises, with or without a warrant, if the inspector believes on reasonable grounds that bees are being kept on the premises.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Animal Welfare Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 7 September 2000

This Bill will provide for the regulation of the use of animals for scientific, teaching and other purposes as well as proposing a number of technical amendments including the requirement to restrain dogs on a moving vehicle.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000; GR in Report No.14/2000

Appropriation Bill 1998-99 – Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 23 June 1998

The Bill provides for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year 1998-99.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998

Appropriation Bill 1999-2000 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 4 May 1999

The Bill provides for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year 1999-2000.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 1999-2000 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 24 August 1999

This is a Bill for an Act to appropriate additional money in the 1999-2000 financial year for the Chief Minister's Department and the Department of Health and Community Care for the purposes of staging a V8 Supercar event and the moving of the ACT Hospice respectively.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Appropriation Bill 1999-2000 (No. 3) - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 23 May 2000

This is a Bill for an Act to appropriate additional money in the 1999-2000 financial year to the Department of Urban Services for: the purchase of services from ACTION and as a capital

injection to ACTION; and also for a payment for expenses on behalf of the Territory to the Department of Justice and Community Safety.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Appropriation Bill 2000-2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 23 May 2000

The Bill provides for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year 2000-2001.

[Vote rescinded and Bill reconsidered 10 July 2000]

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Appropriation Bill 2000-2001 (NO. 2) – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 8 March 2001

This Bill will provide additional money for appropriation for the financial year 2000-2001.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/2001

Appropriation Bill 2000-2001 (NO. 3) – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 29 March 2001

This Bill will provide additional money for appropriation for the financial year 2000-2001.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Appropriation Bill 2001-2002 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 1 May 2001

The Bill provides for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year 2001-2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2001

Appropriation (Bruce Stadium and CanDeliver Limited) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 1 July 1999

This is a Bill for an Act to retrospectively appropriate money for the purposes of the redevelopment of Bruce Stadium and for the purposes of CanDeliver Limited.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999

Appropriation (HIH) Bill 2000-2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 13 June 2001

This Bill will appropriate additional money for the payment of expenses on behalf of the Territory to the Department of Urban Services in the financial year that began on 1 July 2000 and also to amend the *Workers Compensation Supplementation Fund Act 1980*.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/2001

Artificial Conception Amendment Bill 2000 – Ms Carnell – 11 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Artificial Conception Act 1985* to provide for a court to order, under specified circumstances, that persons other than the woman giving birth to a child conceived by artificial conception is the mother and her partner the father.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Auditor-General Amendment Bill 1999 – Mr Quinlan – 20 October 1999

This Bill amends the *Auditor-General Act 1996* to allow the Auditor-General to present completed reports to the Speaker when the Assembly is not sitting and to provide for the publication, printing and circulation of the report out of session.

Bill discharged 15 February 2001

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999

Auditor-General Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Osborne – 29 November 2000

This Bill will amend the *Auditor-General Act 1996*, to make provision for the Auditor-General to determine the breadth of an inquiry and to seek additional funding to undertake audits through the Public Accounts Committee.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Auditor-General Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Quinlan – 14 June 2001

This Bill will provide the Auditor-General with a wider range of powers to receive and gather evidence and information in the course of duty.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Bail (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 May 1998

This Bill provides for stricter procedures and criteria for the granting of bail to alleged domestic violence offenders.

See: Domestic Violence (Amendment) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Bail Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will amend the *Bail Act 1992* to allow courts to issue warrants for arrest for people who breach their conditions of bail. The Bill also makes a consequential amendment to the *Crimes Act 1900* in relation to arrest warrants.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Bail Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 19 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Bail Act 1992* to extend the presumption against bail to any person alleged to have committed a serious offence while charges in relation to another serious offence are pending or outstanding.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001; GR in Report No. 11/2001

Birth (Equality of Status) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 25 June 1998

This Bill amends the *Birth (Equality of Status) Act 1988* to make it consistent with the uniform provisions agreed to by the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General regarding legal presumptions as to parenthood.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998

Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 May 1998

This Bill would amend provisions of the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997* to the effect that a fee will be payable in respect of an application to register a change in an adult's name, for a change in a child's name, for a change of name to be noted on a birth record, and for a change of sex to be noted on a birth record.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Board of Senior Secondary Studies (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) - 21 May 1998

This Bill makes a number of minor amendments to sections of the *Board of Senior Secondary Studies Act 1997*. The amendments relate to membership of the Board, clarification of a recognised educational institution, and rewording of the section on disclosure of interest.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Building (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 27 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Building Act 1972* in ways which seek to ensure that a waste management plan was incorporated into the approval process for building work involving the demolition of a building.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998; GR in Report No. 12/1998

Building (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 24 September 1998

This Bill would amend the *Building Act 1972* in ways which allows people not employed by the government (“private certifiers”) to give plan approval and carry out inspections of building work. Certifiers are persons registered under the Construction Practitioners Registration Bill.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Building (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Building Act 1972* to allow the Government concerned or the occupier to apply for a ‘certificate of regularisation’ before or after the building is sold. The building has to meet minimum standards of safety but not those of current building codes. The Bill also makes some minor technical amendments relating to the requirements to recycle construction waste and the statutory insurance for residential building work.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Building Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education and Community Services) - 16 November 1999

This Bill would amend the *Building Act 1972* in ways designed in conjunction with the amendments proposed by the Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Amendment Bill 1999, to make better provision for the payment and collection of the building training levies and would ensure the calculating of the building levy is calculated by reference to the value of the building work.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1999

Building Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 15 February 2001

This Bill will amend the *Building Act 1972* to ensure that building work carried out on leased and unleased land is required to comply with the approval process under the Building Code of Australia.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/2001

Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Bill 1999 - Mr Berry - 24 March 1999

This Bill sets up a fund, administered by a board and funded by a levy on building and construction work, for training in the building and construction industry.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education and Community Services) - 16 November 1999

This Bill would amend the *Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Act 1999* in order to improve the system for the collection and payment of the building training levies. It is a companion to the Building Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 and would bring the method of calculating the training levy into line with the method for the calculation of the building levy.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1999

Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Building and Construction Industry Training Levy Act 1999* to broaden the scope of the term *project owner* as defined under the Act to ensure that all non-exempt work as outlined in the schedule is liable for the training levy. The Bill also broadens the definition of qualified valuer.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Bushfire (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 17 November 1998

This Bill would amend the *Bushfires Act 1936* to amend section 7A and insert new section 7B to provide the Chief Fire Officer to have the power to declare a total fire ban and the power to grant a person a permit to light and maintain a fire, in a public place, on a day affected by a total fire ban.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Casino Control (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Kaine - 10 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Casino Control Act 1988* to the effect that the Minister may determine the designation of a Casino by a regulation (and not, as at present, by a notice published in the *Gazette*).

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1999

Casino Control Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Kaine - 25 November 1999

This Bill would amend the *Casino Control Act 1988* to enable casino licensees to install up to 200 gaming machines. The Bill also includes provisions requiring warning signs in the machine area for the casino licensee to report on its donations to charities and for charitable purposes.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999

Casino Control Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 21 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Casino Control Act 1988*, to correct certain errors relating to reasonable force and for other purposes.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Cemeteries and Crematoria Bill 2001- Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 8 March 2001

This Bill will replace the *Cemeteries Act 1933* and the *Cremation Act 1966*, to establish a regulatory framework consistent with a National Competition Policy Review of the Acts, to ensure effective and efficient management of public cemeteries and private burial grounds.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/2001; GR in Report No. 9/2001

Children and Young People Bill 1999 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) - 1 July 1999

This Bill is for an Act to reform the law relating to children and young people contained in the *Children's Services Act 1986*. Key areas include:

- the concept of 'parental responsibility' which clearly identify that primary responsibility for children and young people rests with their parents and other family members.
- a new concept of voluntary 'family group conferencing' to facilitate agreement amongst families about the alternative ways to continue to care for children and young people in their midst.
- establishment of a 2 stage process for licensing child care centres and family day care schemes.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999; GR in Report No. 12/1999, No. 2/2000

Children and Young People (Consequential Amendments) Bill 1999 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) - 1 July 1999

This Bill makes consequential amendments following the commencement of the *Children and Young People Act 1999*, which reforms the law relating to children in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Children and Young People Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Stanhope – 16 February 2000

This Bill will amend the *Children and Young People Act 1999* and change the age of criminal responsibility in the ACT from 8 years to 10 years.

Children and Young People Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health, Housing and Community Services) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will allow for the interstate transfer of child welfare orders and proceedings.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Children and Young People Amendment Bill 2001 (NO 2) – Mr Moore (Minister for Health, Housing and Community Services) – 1 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Children and Young People Act 1999* to make provision for the transition between the *Children Services Act 1986* and the *Children and Young People's Act 1999* and to make provision for the protection of people who report suspected child abuse, as well as clarify the obligation on the Chief Executive in relation to annual reports regarding a child or young person for whom the Chief Executive has parental responsibility.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2001

Children's Services (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 29 April 1998

This Bill would amend the *Children's Services Act 1986* to provide for the Chief Magistrate to designate a magistrate as the Children's Court Magistrate, to the effect that this person would have jurisdiction over all Children's Court proceedings.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Children's Services (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill amends the *Children's Services Act 1986* so that fines imposed on children may be recovered under the new fine recovery scheme proposed by the Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Children's Services (Amendment) Bill (No. 3) 1998 - Mr Stanhope - 23 September 1998

This Bill amends the *Children's Services (Amendment) Act 1998* so that children cannot be committed to an institution under the new fine recovery scheme established by the *Magistrates Court (Amendment) Act 1998* until the Magistrate has considered a report by the Community Advocate about the circumstances of the child.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Children's Services Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Stanhope - 25 August 1999

This Bill would amend the *Children's Services Act 1986* to fix the minimum age at which a child will be criminally responsible at 10 years, in place of the current 8 years.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Children's Services Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Rugendyke - 1 September 1999

This Bill amends the *Children's Services Act 1986* to enable the Chief Magistrate to assign another Magistrate in the event that the designated Children's Magistrate was unavailable or for other good reasons. It would also reduce the term of the designated Children's Magistrate from three years to two years.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1999

Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) (Enforcement) Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) (Enforcement) Act 1995*, in accordance with a number of changes to the Classification scheme agreed in April 1999 between the Commonwealth, State and Territory censorship Ministers.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Commission For Integrity In Government Bill 1999 – Mr Kaine – 8 December 1999

This Bill would constitute a Commission for Integrity in Government for the Australian Capital Territory. The Commission would be empowered to investigate conduct lacking integrity where public officials are involved and educating public authorities and the community on the detrimental effects of public conduct lacking integrity and strategies to combat it. It also provides for the appointment of an Operations Review committee to advise the Commissioner regarding action that could be taken on complaints about possible conduct lacking integrity, and an Ethical Standards Council which will carry out work in relation to educative functions of the commission.

Scrutiny Report No.1/2000

Commissioner for the Environment Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 2 March 2000

This Bill sets the due date of the next State of the Environment Report at 30 November 2000. It also states that the due dates of consecutive reports will be set by the Minister, by disallowable instrument, after consideration of the Commissioner's recommendation.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/2000

Community Referendum Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 May 1998

This Bill would make provision for electors in the ACT to initiate changes to the law through a referendum process.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Community Title Bill 2001 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 3 May 2001

This Bill will provide for the establishment and administration of community title schemes.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001; GR in Report No. 10/2001

Construction Practitioners Registration Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 24 September 1998

This is a new Bill which provides for the registration of construction practitioners who may act as certifiers under the *Building Act 1972* or other legislation if the regulations provide for it. The purpose of the changes is to allow for people not employed by the government ("private certifiers") to undertake plan approval and inspection functions currently undertaken by government employees. The specific functions that registered construction practitioners may undertake depend on the other legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998; GR in Report No. 12/1998

Construction Practitioners Registration Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will amend the *Construction Practitioners Registration Act 1998*, to consolidate under the Construction Practitioners Registration Regulations, the qualifications and insurance required by certifiers of building work under the *Building Act 1972*, and drainage plans under the Canberra Sewerage and Water Supply Regulations. This Bill will also amend the period a registered construction practitioner remains liable for negligence over building work, from the issue of a certificate of occupancy under section 53 of the *Building Act 1972* to the issue of a certificate for the building work under section 40 of the *Building Act 1972*. The government is the issuer of Certificates of Occupancy and it includes building work as well as associated plumbing and electrical work.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Consumer Credit (Administration) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 24 September 1998

This Bill makes two amendments to the *Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996*. The Bill removes the reference to civil proceedings from subsection 121(5) and provides for civil penalties to enable a debtor to recover amounts paid to a credit provider or a finance broker during the period when their licences are cancelled or suspended.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Cooperatives Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 9 March 2000

This Bill will reform the *Co-operative Societies Act 1939* and reform the law relating to co-operative societies and will bring the ACT in line with other state/territory legislation that deals with cooperative societies which will allow cooperatives to carry on their business outside the jurisdiction they are registered in.

[Bill discharged on 8 August 2001]

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2000; GR in Report No. 7/2000 and 13/2001

Cooperatives Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will replace the Cooperatives Bill 2000 and repeal the *Co-operative Societies Act 1939* and will bring ACT legislation in line with that of other Australian jurisdictions and will also regulate cooperative societies.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Coroners (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 26 August 1998

This Bill would amend the *Coroners Act 1997* to repeal Schedule 1 to the Act and to insert a new Schedule 1. The existing and the proposed Schedules prescribe the form of oath or affirmation to be taken by a member of the Tribunal.

The effect would be to delete a reference in the oath to allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Cotter River Repeal Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 17 February 2000

This Bill is the result of a national competition policy review of the *Cotter River Act 1914*. The provisions in the Act were found to be either anti competitive or redundant and so the Act has been repealed. The Act restricts the sale or supply of food or beverages in the Cotter reserve, prohibits fishing in the Cotter Reservoir and restricts camping and picnicking in the Cotter catchment.

Courts and Tribunals (Audio Visual and Audio Linking) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 18 February 1999

This Bill amends the legislation governing the operation of the Territory's Courts and Tribunals to facilitate the use by them of audio visual and audio link technology. It enables a direction to be given by the person presiding over the relevant court or tribunal for evidence to be received, a submission to be made or a person to appear by means of an audio link or audio visual link in accordance with the Evidence (Amendment) Bill 1999.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1999

Court Security Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will provide for security on court premises during trials where there is risk to the safety of witnesses, judges, the accused and people attending trials. The Bill also outlines the legal powers of security officers to conduct searches or deny access to people causing a public nuisance during proceedings.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000: GR in Report No. 2/2001

Crime Prevention Powers Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 20 May 1998

This Bill provides a police officer who, having reasonable grounds, would be able to direct a person to leave a public place.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill amends the provisions of the *Crimes Act 1900* to give effect to a new fine enforcement scheme proposed by the Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill makes amendments to sections 429, 429A and 429B of the *Crimes Act 1900* with the object for making changes to the principles according to which the courts pass sentence on persons convicted of crime.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 3) 1998 - Mr Rugendyke - 20 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to insert new provisions or to amend existing provisions governing the possession, sale, seizure, forfeiture and disposal of knives.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 4) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 May 1998

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* by inserting provisions designed to prevent a person from relying upon evidence of intoxication, where that intoxication is self-induced, to establish that the person did not have the intent to commit an act or omission which constitutes an element of the criminal offence or that the person's act was not voluntary.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 5) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 3 September 1998

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to provide for the order in which the defence and prosecution address the jury in a Supreme Court trial.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1998; GR in Report No. 9/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 6) 1998 - Mr Stanhope - 23 September 1998

This Bill will amend the *Crimes (Amendment) Act (No. 3) 1998* to give the Magistrates Court the option of making community service orders as an alternative to imprisonment for adult fine defaulters.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 7) 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 26 November 1998

The Bill amends the provisions in Part XIA of the *Crimes Act 1900* relating to the provision for referral to the Mental Health Tribunal of persons who are mentally ill to apply to those who are mentally dysfunctional. The Bill is amended to be consistent with the Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Amendment) Bill 1998.

[Bill discharged on 22 April 1999 - See Crimes (Amendment) Bill 1999]

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 8) 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 8 December 1998

This is a Bill to repeal section 428A of the *Crimes Act 1900* and substitute a new section 428A to the effect of extending the operation of Part XIA of the Act until 30 June 1999.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1998

Crimes (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 22 April 1999

This Bill amends the provisions in Part 11A of the *Crimes Act 1900* to implement a number of recommendations which arose from a review of the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* and Part 11A of the Crimes Act relating to persons accused being unfit to plead on the grounds of mental impairment.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1999

Crimes Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 14 October 1999

This Bill amends the *Crimes Act 1900* to abolish the provision of the common law presumption of marital coercion (ie. a presumption of law that an offence committed by a wife in the presence of her husband is committed under the coercion of the husband).

Scrutiny Report No. 12/999

Crimes Amendment Bill (No 3) 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 November 1999

This Bill would amend the *Crimes Act 1900* by inserting Division 3C into Part 4 of the Act and contains offences relating to property. The offences introduced by the Bill are consistent with those recommended by the Model Criminal Code Officers Committee in 1998. The offences were deemed necessary as the existing statutory and common law offences are insufficient to protect society from the threat of product contamination and the injury and loss that it can cause.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999

Crimes Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Rugendyke – 1 March 2000

This Bill will make it compulsory for retailers who sell knives to display a notice which states that it is an offence to sell a knife to a person who is under the age of 16 years.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/2000

Crimes Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) - Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will replace section 34A of the *Crimes Act 1900*, which deals with the offence of stalking. The Bill proposes to remove the requirement to prove intent to cause “serious harm”. It also proposes that “harassment” of a person will constitute an offence.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Crimes Amendment Bill 2000 (No 3) - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 7 December 2000

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to create offences which relate to misleading recruitment for sexual services and sexual slavery.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001

Crimes Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Osborne – 9 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to include electronic forms of communication in sections relating to stalking offences and to establish a new offence relating to electronic communication sent to young persons that contain either pornographic material or a suggestion to include the young person in sexual acts.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Criminal Code 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 15 June 2001

This Bill (Draft Criminal Code) forms part of the reform of the ACT’s criminal legislation based on Chapter 2 of the Model Criminal Code developed by the Standing Committee of Attorney-Generals and outlines the general principles of criminal responsibility which will eventually apply to all Territory offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will amend a number of existing Acts. In particular, it inserts new provisions into the *Crimes Act 1900* to establish a new procedure for conviction inquiries and amends the *Supreme Court Act 1933*, to allow the Director of Public Prosecutions to obtain orders of review acquittals by the Supreme Court in particular circumstances. The Bill also contains provisions designed to enable law enforcement agencies to more effectively prevent and respond to crime.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001; GR in Report No. 11/2001

Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) – 29 June 2000

This Bill will provide a legislation scheme for taking and using forensic and DNA material for criminal investigations.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Custodial Escorts Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 26 November 1998

This Bill provides authority for escort officers, appointed in accordance with its provisions to have custody of persons for the purpose of bringing them before a court and provide court security and escort services.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998; GR in Report No. 2/1999

Custodial Escorts (Consequential Provisions) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 26 November 1998

This Bill amends a number of Acts to ensure that persons appointed as escorts pursuant to the provisions of the Custodial Escorts Bill 1998, once enacted will be able to perform escort functions for the purposes of the amended Acts.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 25 June 1998

This Bill amends the *Dangerous Goods Act 1984* to improve the safe transport of dangerous goods by road, enhance national uniformity, and improve enforceability and compliance.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998

Dangerous Goods (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Berry - 17 February 1999

This Bill amends the *Dangerous Goods Act 1975*, of NSW in its application in the Territory, to put in place provisions for the prosecution in a Magistrates Court to commence within two years after the act or omission alleged to constitute an offence or within one year after the day on which a Coronial Report is made or a coronial inquest or inquiry is concluded, whichever is the later.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1999; GR in Report No. 4/1999

Dangerous Goods Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Berry – 6 September 2000

This Bill will amend the *Dangerous Goods Act 1975*, to extend the time under which a prosecution made under the Act can be brought before the courts from one year to three years.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000

Debits Tax (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 17 November 1998

This Bill would amend the *Debits Tax Act 1997* to accommodate changes made to the *Cheques and Payment Orders Act 1986* (Cth). The primary effect of the amendments is to ensure that cheque accounts provided in the ACT by building societies, credit unions, and like bodies are subject in the same way to the *Debits Tax Act 1997* as are bank cheque accounts.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Defamation Bill 1999 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 9 December 1999

This Bill deals with the law about defamation and is intended to simplify the law and encourage the timely resolution of disputes. In particular, it would (i) introduce a new defence based on the concept of negligence; (ii) restore the common law position in that it would permit a defendant to plead, as a defence, that the published matter was true; (iii) introduce an “offer of amends” scheme; and (iv) establish some principles to govern the award of damages.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Director of Public Prosecutions (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 3 September 1998

This Bill amends the *Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1990* by amending section 20 of the Act to make ministerial directions, with respect to matters relating to the performance and exercise by the Director of his or her functions or powers, disallowable.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1998

Discrimination Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Stanhope - 25 August 1999

This Bill would amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* to make it unlawful to discriminate against a woman on the ground that she is breastfeeding a child.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Discrimination Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 16 November 1999

This Bill would amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* with the addition of a qualification to Section 27 of that Act. The amendment would allow people within a disadvantaged group to take action against a service provider if they are treated unfavourably in the course of the provision of a special measures program.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1999

Discrimination Amendment Bill (No 3) 1999 - Mr Stanhope – 24 November 1999

This Bill would amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* by the addition of a qualification to section 27 of the Act which states that it is not unlawful under the Act to do certain acts for the purpose of ensuring that members of an identified disadvantaged group have equal opportunities with other persons in the community.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999

Discrimination Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991*, to allow credit providers to include age as part of the criteria for assessing credit risk. This Bill will also allow the Discrimination Tribunal and the Discrimination Commissioner to require the credit provider to provide data sources and any other factors relied on for assessment.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Domestic Animals Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 7 September 2000

This Bill will combine the requirements of the *Dog Control Act 1975* and the *Animal Nuisance Act 1975*, to update the laws concerning domestic animals.

Scrutiny Report No.13/2000; GR in Report No.14/2000

Domestic Violence (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 May 1998

This Bill amends the *Domestic Violence Act 1986* to give effect to a number of recommendations of Report No. 11 of the ACT Community Law Reform Committee. These amendments enhance the protective nature of the Act, particularly in a situation where there is an ongoing risk to a victim of domestic violence.

See also: Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 and Bail (Amendment) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998, 12/1998

Domestic Violence (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 24 September 1998

This Bill amends the Principal Act to provide for protection orders to be made when the Magistrates Court is not sitting. These orders, which will be of more limited duration than other orders made under the Act, will be able to be sought by police on behalf of a person requiring protection, and will be able to be made over the telephone. They will be known as emergency protection orders.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Drugs in Sport Bill 1999 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) – 21 October 1999

This Bill is to confer functions and powers on the Australian Sports Drug Agency (ASDA) to conduct state level sports drug testing and associated functions in the ACT and enables ASDA to conduct these functions in respect of a class of ACT athletes not covered by Commonwealth legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999

Drugs of Dependence Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Services) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989*, to provide more flexible procedures and protocols for the receiving, testing and disposing of cannabis and other drugs.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001; GR in Report No. 9/2001

Drugs of Dependence (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 29 October 1998

This Bill amends the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989*, in the procedures for the prescription of drugs of dependence for drug dependent persons in hospitals and persons with a terminal illness who require pain relief.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1998; GR in Report No. 1/1999

Drugs of Dependence (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 10 December 1998

This Bill amends the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* arising out of development work to undertake a scientific trial of a safe injecting place (SIP) in the ACT. The Bill affords protection against acts of good faith or omission to the operators and staff of a SIP and immunity to the Territory in respect of drug related injuries or death of SIP users.

[Bill discharged on 9 December 1999]

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998; GR in Report No. 5/1999

Drugs of Dependence (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Rugendyke - 1 September 1999

This Bill amends the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* by amendment to section 171A of that Act to the effect of precluding the issuing of simple cannabis offence notices in relation to the cultivation, possession and use of cannabis.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1999

Duties Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 10 December 1998

This is a Bill for an Act to replace the *Stamp Duties and Taxes Act 1987* with a law governing stamp duty which is written in plainer language and which is consistent with the law in other jurisdictions in Australia (and in particular with the law in New South Wales). In addition to its major objective, the Bill would make some substantive changes to the law of stamp duty in the Territory.

See also: Taxation Administration Bill 1998 *Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998, GR in Report No. 3/1999*

Duties Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 17 February 2000

This is a Bill to amend the *Duties Act 1999*. It makes provisions to exempt from duty certain motor vehicle registration applications.

Duties Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 25 May 2000

This Bill is a revenue initiative for the 2000-01 Budget and will reduce the duties paid by hospitals, schools and charitable organisations for a range of duties paid under the *Duties Act 1999*.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Duties Amendment Bill 2000 (No 3) – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 June 2000

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999*, to maintain uniformity with the NSW Duties Act and to provide for concessional treatment, exemptions and delays in payment of various duties on properties and shares.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Duties Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 13 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999*, to ensure that the Act applies to companies registered in the Territory prior to and following the commencement of new Commonwealth Corporations Law.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/2001

Duties Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999*, to implement the Government's Competition Neutrality Policy and National Competition Policy principles, to clarify Crown leases and bring the Act in line with NSW legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Duties (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) – 10 December 1998

This is a Bill for an Act to make consequential and transitional provisions which will be required should the Duties Bill become law. It facilitates the adjustment of the effects of the *Stamp Duties and Taxes Act 1987* to the effects which will be produced if the Duties Bill become law.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998

Education Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Berry – 28 March 2001

This Bill will amend the *Education Act 1937* to allow schools' principals or their delegates to request that a person leave school grounds within an hour on any school day.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Education Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) – 1 May 2001

This Bill will consolidate, update and replace existing legislation relating to Government and non-Government schooling.

Eggs (Labelling and Sale) Bill 2001 - Mr Corbell – 22 August 2001

This Bill will regulate the labelling and sale of hen eggs in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2001

Electoral (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 19 November 1998

This Bill would amend section 37 of the *Electoral Act 1992* to the effect that a redistribution of electoral boundaries shall commence after the third Saturday in October two years before the next due date for an election, rather than after the third Saturday in February two years and eight months before the next election.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Electoral (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Moore - 6 May 1999

This Bill would amend provisions of the *Electoral Act 1992* which relate to the disclosure of political donations, and would make some minor textual amendments. The major effect of the Bill will be, first, to lower the threshold of the amount of the total value of transactions which will trigger a requirement that the donor, recipient of expenditure, or creditor must be reported, and, secondly, to lower the threshold of the value of individual transactions which must be counted in determining whether the first threshold has been reached.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Electoral Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Ms Tucker - 25 August 1999

This Bill would amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to establish a process whereby how-to-vote material provided by candidates may be displayed inside polling places.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Electoral Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 29 August 2000

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992*, to provide that Independent MLAs are required in their annual returns only to disclose gifts given used solely or substantially for purposes related to their position.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2000

Electoral Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* and the *Referendum (Machinery Provisions) Act 1994*, to provide for electronic voting and vote counting. This will provide for the use of electronic ballot papers, the electronic capture of ballot information and electronic counting of ballots. The Bill also allows for the security of electronic voting and vote counting processes, the process for disputed elections where there has been electronic voting or vote counting and the publication of electronic voting statistics or programs.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Electoral Amendment Bill 2000 (No 3) – Ms Tucker – 6 December 2000

This Bill will require Independent MLAs and MLAs who represent political parties to face the same reporting requirements under the *Electoral Act 1992*. In addition, the Bill introduces new annual reporting requirements for MLAs to submit annual returns to the Electoral Commissioner which include information about income, electoral expenditure and the personal financial interests of they and their families.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001

Electoral Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* and the *Referendum (Machinery Provisions) Act 1994*, and will:

- affect disclosure thresholds and obligations for parties, ballot groups and MLAs.
- bring provisions concerning witnessing and making enrolment claims in line with Commonwealth legislation.
- require political parties to have 100 members on the ACT electoral roll before registering as a party. Political parties will also be required to present a current copy of their constitution to the Electoral Commissioner.
- Introduce a scheme for the registration of ballot group names for MLAs.
- give the Electoral Commissioner discretion in rejecting a candidate's nomination if the candidate registers under an obscene or frivolous name.

- allow electors to vote outside of a polling place due to physical disability, illness, pregnancy or any other mobility restricting condition.
- make greater provision for identifying sources of political advertising.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/2001

Electoral Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992*, to increase the number of Robson rotation versions of ballot papers that are to be printed for a Legislative Assembly election.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Electoral (Entrenched Provisions) Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 29 March 2001

This Bill amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to increase the number of combinations of different ballot papers that are to be printed for the Legislative Assembly election under the Robson Rotation method (candidates names appear in different positions on ballot papers).

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Electricity (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 24 September 1998

This Bill would amend the *Electricity Act 1971* to provide the basis for a new scheme based on electricians checking their own work (“self-certification”).

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Electricity (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 22 April 1999

This Bill amends the *Electricity Act 1971* in order to enable (a) a trainee and (b) a secondary college student, undertaking an accredited course, to perform electrical wiring work while undergoing the course. The amendments proposed would also exempt telecommunication workers who have undergone accredited training from the requirement to obtain an electrician’s licence.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1999

Electricity Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will amend the *Electricity Act 1971*. This Act addresses the licensing of electricians, electrical contractors, provides standards for consumers’ electrical installations, the inspection of electrical installations, the reporting arrangements for electrical accidents, fires and associated damage to properties and the registration of certain articles of electrical equipment.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000; GR in Report No. 11/2000

Electronic Transactions Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will ensure that the law of the ACT relating to electronic transactions is consistent with the Commonwealth *Electronic Transactions Act 1999*.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Emergency Management Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 10 December 1998

This is a Bill for an Act to make provision, primarily, for overall management of the various facets of large scale or complex emergencies. In addition, the Bill would provide a statutory base for the operations of the ACT Ambulance Service (and repeal the *Ambulance Service Levy Act 1990*).

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998; GR in Report No. 2/1999

Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 8 December 1998

This Bill amends the *Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) Act 1997* to insert a new subsection to provide that the substantive provisions of the Act will commence on 31 March 1999.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1998

Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Tucker – 10 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Energy Efficiency Ratings (Sale of Premises) Act 1997* to clarify the coverage of the Act, in relation to premises that may be used for residential purposes, to provide that an energy efficiency statement may form part of a contract for sale of premises, and to create new offences in relation to making of a false or misleading energy efficiency statement.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1999

Environment Protection (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Environment Protection Act 1997* which amends the powers given to the Environment Management Authority to include the management of assessment and remediation of contaminated land. The Bill also provides a legal basis for the implementation of the National Environment Protection Measures – one covering the Movement of Controlled Waste between States and Territories and the other establishing National Pollutant Inventory.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999; GR in Report No. 10/1999

Environment Protection Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 – Ms Tucker – 8 December 1999

This Bill amends the *Environment Protection Act 1997* to include a statement in annual ACT Government department, authority and agency reports about the measures being taken to promote ecologically sustainable development (ESD). The Bill will give the assembly and the community an avenue to scrutinise the government about the measures being taken to promote and implement ESD.

Environment Protection Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Environment Protection Act 1997*, to implement the recommendations of the recent statutory review of the Act. The changes are either minor or technical and include the renaming of the Environment Management Authority as the Environment Protection Authority.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Environment Protection Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Ms Tucker – 28 June 2000

This Bill will ensure that firewood retailers provide ecological, correct use and weight assurance information about firewood to consumers.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Evidence (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 18 February 1999

This Bill amends the *Evidence Act 1971* to allow Territory courts to take evidence or receive submissions by audio visual and audio links from persons interstate and to allow interstate Courts to take evidence or submissions using the same means from Territorians. It will also enable an ACT court or tribunal to direct a person to appear before it or evidence be given or a submission be made to it, from a place in the ACT other than the courtroom where the court is sitting.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1999

Evidence (Closed-Circuit Television) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 27 October 1998

This Bill amends the *Evidence (Closed-Circuit Television) Act 1991* to revive the operation of a provision which enables complainants in sexual offence matters to give evidence in an ACT court using closed circuit television.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1998

Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Rugendyke – 22 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991* to establish sexual assault communications privileges so that a person cannot be compelled to produce details of a protected confidence to court. The details cannot be used as evidence unless the court deems the evidence will have substantive probative value.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2001

Executive Documents Release Bill 2000 – Mr Moore – 9 March 2000

This Bill would allow the release of ACT Government cabinet papers after a period of ten years from the date of the meeting at which they were considered. The cabinet papers for one calendar year would be released the following year (in the eleventh year) with the omission of those documents that may compromise the public interest or impinge on individual's privacy.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2000

Fair Trading Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Rugendyke – 2 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Fair Trading Act 1992* to prevent the issue of unsolicited credit contracts and increases in credit limits for credit cards.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Fair Trading Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 21 June 2001

This Bill will amend existing legislation relating to fair trading, to allow the ACT to remain consistent with similar consumer protection laws in the Commonwealth and other Australian jurisdictions and provides wider authority for the Commissioner for Fair Trading.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Fair Trading (Fuel Prices) (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Osborne - 2 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Fair Trading (Fuel Prices) Act 1993* to require all transfers of fuel over 2,000 litres in the ACT to be done on a temperature converted basis.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Fair Trading (Fuel Prices) Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Osborne – 14 June 2001

This Bill will provide for detailed documentation to be given by the supplier to the fuel consumer and prohibits the practice of charging for temperature corrected fuel.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Fair Trading (Petroleum Retail Marketing) (Repeal) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 29 October 1998

This Bill repeals the *Fair Trading (Petroleum Retail Marketing) Act 1995*. The Act prevented multi-site franchising after 1995 and required that an oil company operate no more service stations than it did immediately before 20 October 1995.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1998

Financial Institutions Duty (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 25 June 1998

This Bill amends the *Financial Institutions Duty Act 1987* to introduce new measures in respect of dutiable receipts. New anti-avoidance and extra-territorial provisions will ensure that all receipts derived from economic activity conducted in the ACT are dutiable, irrespective of where such receipts are deposited.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998

Financial Management (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 23 September 1998

The purpose of this Bill is to promote and encourage prudent management of the Territory's finances, especially in regard to the level of total liabilities considering the adverse impact that this can (and does) have on future generations. This is to be achieved through the establishment in law of four principles of responsible fiscal management. One or more of those principles may only be departed from under certain circumstances.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Financial Management (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Kaine - 30 June 1999

This Bill amends the *Financial Management Act 1996* to insert a provision to make the financial management guidelines a disallowable instrument according to the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989*.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Financial Management Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Quinlan - 25 August 1999

This Bill would amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to require the expected end of year results of a department to be included in output statements recorded in the budget papers.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Financial Management Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Stanhope – 1 March 2000

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to restrict the use of clauses that hinders or claims to hinder disclosure of information in government contracts to the Legislative Assembly.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/2000

Financial Management Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 23 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996*, to allow agencies to spend input tax credits received from the Australian Taxation Office as a reimbursement of Goods and Services Tax paid for purchases (goods and services) or the development of assets. The Bill will also amend the power to make financial management guidelines.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Financial Management Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 13 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996*, to allow the Auditor-General to make an expedited audit of the financial statements of agencies for the financial year 2000-2001, and to modify the obligation of agencies to table financial statements.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/2001

Financial Management Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) - Mr Berry – 14 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996*, to place controls on the appropriation of funds for the free school bus scheme.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Financial Management Amendment Bill 2001 (No 3) - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to enhance the effectiveness of the Act in regulation of the Territory's fiscal operations.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Financial Management Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 3 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* and the *Territory Superannuation Provision Protection Act 2000* to enable the use of financial derivatives for the purposes of investment, subject to the issue of financial management guidelines.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Financial Relations Agreement 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will implement measures described in the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Reform of Commonwealth/State Financial Relations.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Financial Relations Agreement Consequential Amendments Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 11 May 2000

This Bill will amend the Duties Act 1999, the Financial Institutions Duty Act 1987 and the Payroll Tax Act 1987 as a result of the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Commonwealth/State Financial Relations reform, particularly in respect to the Goods and Services Tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Financial Sector Reform (ACT) Bill 1999 – Ms Carnell (Treasurer) – 22 June 1999

This is a Bill for an Act to implement an agreement between the Commonwealth, the States and the Territories to transfer regulatory responsibility for building societies, credit unions and friendly societies to the Commonwealth. The Act would wind up the office of the ACT Registrar of Financial Institutions, the Supervision Fund and the Credit Unions Contingency Fund.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999

Firearms (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 March 1999

The Bill amends the *Firearms Act 1996* and the Firearms Regulations to enable recognition in the Australian Capital Territory of category C firearms licences, and of international temporary visitors permits, which have been issued by another State or Territory of Australia for the purpose of competitive target shooting by the holder of the permit.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

First Home Owner Grant Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 30 March 2000

This Bill will establish the First Home Owner's Scheme in the ACT. The scheme will provide a maximum grant of \$7000 and 'assist first homebuyers' to offset the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax and is part of an undertaking made by the Territory in the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Reform of Commonwealth/State Financial Relations.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000; GR in Report No. 8/2000

First Home Owners Grant Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* to provide the administrative and investigative powers required to properly administer the additional \$7000 Commonwealth grant announced by the Prime Minister on 9 March 2001 to further assist first homebuyers who purchase or construct a new home not previously occupied or sold.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Fisheries Bill 2000 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 30 March 2000

This Bill will repeal the *Fishing Act 1967*, with the aim of improving the management and future sustainability of ACT fisheries, by providing a scheme for the licensing of fishing for commercial, scientific, and import and export purposes. The Act would contain provisions creating offences in relation to fishing, and for infringement notices to be issued in relation to various offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000; GR in Report No. 10/2000

Food Bill 2001 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health, Housing and Community Services) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will bring the ACT in line with similar legislation in other Australian jurisdictions and provide a framework for the accurate labelling of food products for the protection of public health and to provide for the opportunity of more informed consumer choice.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001; GR in Report No. 13/2001

Food (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 2 September 1998

This Bill amends the *Food Act 1992* to insert a new section 24C in Division 2 of Part III, which relates to the sale of certain treated food.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1998

Food (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 24 September 1998

As provided by the *Food (Amendment) Act 1997*, section 24B of the *Food Act 1992* came into force on Sunday 20 September 1998. The objective of this Bill is to postpone the commencement of the new section, and to allow for the Minister to extend the date of commencement of the section by up to 12 months. If the Minister does not gazette a new commencement date by 20 September 1999, the section will commence on that date.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Food (Amendment) Bill (No. 3) 1998 - Ms Tucker - 28 October 1998

This Bill amends the *Food Act 1992* to insert a new Division which requires that eating houses (eg. cafes and restaurants) only provide re-useable or recyclable eating accessories (eg. packaging, plates, cups and cutlery) for food sold for consumption within the eating house.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1998

Freedom of Information (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 29 April 1998

This Bill would make a number of amendments to the *Freedom of Information Act 1989*. Its object is to increase the range and quantity of information which would be available as of right and to reduce the costs of requests.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Gaming and Racing Control Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) - 10 December 1998

This is a Bill for an Act to establish an ACT Gaming and Racing Commission. The Commission would be responsible for regulating and controlling gaming, racing and wagering activities in the Territory.

See also: Racing Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998, GR in Report No. 3/199

Gambling and Racing Control (Consequential Provisions) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) – 1 July 1999

This is a Bill for an Act to amend a number of existing Acts in ways which will make effective the regime for the control of gambling and racing under the *Gambling and Racing Control Act 1999*. There are also a number of other consequential amendments to various laws.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999

Gambling Legislation Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 26 August 1999

This Bill would amend the *Casino Control Act 1988*, the *Gaming Machine Act 1987*, and the *Interactive Gambling Act 1988*. The primary objective is to remove obsolete or anomalous provisions, to provide for consistency between the laws, and to overcome some administrative deficiencies.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Gambling Legislation (GST) Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 11 May 2000

This Bill will, under the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Reform of Commonwealth/State Financial Relations, take account of the impact of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on gambling operators. This will entail reduced tax rates for ACTTAB Keno and Gaming machine tax for hotels and taverns and credit for tax liability for paid GST for; gaming machine tax for clubs, interactive gambling, casino tax, bookmakers fees, sports betting and ACTTAB licence fees.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Gaming Machine (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) - 21 May 1998

The Bill would amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to insert a new section 61, which would have the effect of prohibiting the acquisition, installation or operation of gaming machines in the buildings or precinct of Canberra airport.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Gaming Machine (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Ms Tucker - 24 June 1998

This Bill will set a cap on the number of poker machines in the ACT, and sets certain criteria in relation to the granting of licences.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1998

Gaming Machine (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) - 22 April 1999

This Bill amends the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to provide for a scheme under which licensed clubs would be obliged to make category A and category B community contributions. The total amount of contributions would at the outset be 5% of net gaming revenue, rising to 7.5% over a three year period.

[Bill discharged on 7 December 2000]

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1999; GR in Report No. 7/1999

Gaming Machine (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) – 1 July 1999

This Bill would amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to the effect of retaining the cap of 5,200 on the number of poker machines in the ACT until 10 July 2000.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999

Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 June 2000

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987*, to extend accountability of the ACT Club Industry.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000; GR in Report No. 13/2000

Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) – Mr Rugendyke – 6 December 2000

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to restrict gaming machine operations to the times that premises are open for the sale of liquor.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001

Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987*, to extend the current restrictions on the number of gaming machines that can be licensed in the Territory.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Gas Pipelines Access Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 28 May 1998

This is a new Bill, developed pursuant to the Natural Gas Pipelines Access Agreement, agreed by Heads of Government on 7 November 1997. This Agreement committed participating governments to enact nationally consistent Gas Pipelines Access Law. The access legislation allows the ACT Government to open the gas market in the ACT to competition from 1 July 1998 and allow the ACT's gas regime to be assessed by the National Competition Council.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Gas Safety Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 June 2000

This Bill establishes an enhanced regulatory regime to ensure the safety of gas appliances and consumer piping systems, and is consequential on the enactment of the utilities legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Gas Supply Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 28 May 1998

This is a Bill to enact what would be a new *Gas Supply Act 1998*. Its purposes are to take legislative action as required by the Natural Gas Pipelines Access Agreement, and to refurbish the scheme for the regulation of the gas industry in the Territory.

See also: Gas Pipelines Access Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Gas Supply Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 29 June 2000

This Bill will ensure public safety for users of gas piping systems.

Goods and Services Tax (Temporary Transitional Provisions) Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 23 May 2000

This Bill makes temporary transitional provisions associated with the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Goods and Services Tax (Temporary Transitional Provisions) Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 13 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Goods and Services Tax (Temporary Transitional Provisions) Act 2000* to extend its operation until 30 June 2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/2001

Government Contracts Confidentiality Bill 2000 - Mr Moore – 2 March 2000

This Bill will create a system under which the government and its agencies agree to confidentiality clauses with businesses on specified grounds. The Auditor General and an oversight committee of the Legislative Assembly will be notified of any contracts which involve confidentiality.

[Bill discharged on 7 December 2000]

Scrutiny Report No. 3/2000

Government Procurement Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 1 March 2001

This Bill will provide for the establishment of a government procurement board, which will set standards, review and provide advice on the procurement process employed by Territory agencies.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/2001

Guardianship and Management of Property Bill 2001 – Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Guardianship and Management of Property Act 1991* by providing decision making criteria to provide for decisions to be made in accordance with a person's wishes, unless to do so would significantly adversely affect his or her interests as defined under the Act. This Bill also provides the criteria for the appointment of both guardians and managers, based on the represented person's decision-making capacity, rather than on him or her having a particular condition.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Health (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 25 June 1998

This Bill amends the *Health Act 1993* by adding a set of provisions which regulate the establishment and conduct of quality assurance committees in private health facilities. Under the new provisions, the members of the approved quality assurance committees in private hospitals and private day hospital facilitates are protected from litigation in relation to their conduct as members of the committees.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998, No. 9/1998, No. 12/1998

Health and Community Care Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 11 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Poisons and Drugs Act 1978*, to simplify and help create a nationally uniform system for the identification of drugs and poisons, as agreed upon at the Australian Health Ministers' Conference in 1990.

Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health, Housing and Community Care) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will amend the *Dentists Act 1931* and make consequential changes to the *Health Professions Boards (Procedures) Act 1981*, to allow the Dental Board of the ACT to appoint a legal practitioner to the board for a period of at least five years for the purpose of contributing to inquiries conducted by the Board.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Health Professionals (Special Events Exemptions) Bill 2000 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 2 March 2000

This Bill provides authorisation for visiting overseas health professionals to provide health care services to visitors in the ACT, in connection with special events, without being registered under any ACT law relating to the registration of health professionals. This Bill will allow visiting overseas health professionals to write a pharmaceutical prescription and be exempt from prosecution for any offence under ACT poisons and drugs of dependence legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/2000

Health Promotion (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 21 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Health Promotion Act 1995*. The Bill would amend section 24 of the Act and insert a new section 24A, the effect of which would be that from 1 July 1998 the funds advanced to the Health Promotion Board are based on the 1997-98 level of funding, adjusted for upward movements in the consumer price index.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Health Regulation (Abortions) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 26 August 1998

This is a Bill for a *Health Regulation (Abortions) Act 1998*. The Act would provide a legislative basis for the performance of any abortion; establish the circumstances in which an abortion may and may not be performed; and require the provision of certain information to the woman and to the Minister. A key aspect of the Bill is that the circumstances in which an abortion may and may not be performed will depend on the nature of the risk to the health of the woman and the developmental stage of the foetus.

[Bill discharged on 18 November 1998]

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Health Regulation (Maternal Health Information) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 18 November 1998

This Bill is to provide a legislative basis for the provision of prescribed information to women contemplating an abortion and, for anyone who decides to have an abortion, to require a cooling-off period between making the decision and undergoing the procedure.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Heritage Bill 2001 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 30 August 2001

This Bill will create new provisions for the protection of heritage in the Territory.

Holidays Amendment Bill 1999 – Mr Berry – 20 October 1999

This Bill amends Section 3 of the *Holidays Act 1958* to provide for a public holiday to be observed after midday on 31 December 1999.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999

Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission Amendment Bill 1999 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 9 December 1999

This Bill would amend the *Independent Pricing and Regulatory Commission Act 1997* which establishes the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Authority. The primary objective of the amendments is to provide the regulator with a wider regulatory oversight function. The legislation will also allow for the investigation of competitive neutrality complaints which will eliminate conflicts that currently arise within government regarding policy priorities and development.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Inquiries Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Rugendyke – 29 November 2000

This Bill will amend the *Inquiries Act 1991*, to compel the Government to appoint a Board of inquiry upon resolution of the Assembly.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Insurance Corporation Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 25 May 2000

This Bill will provide for the establishment of the Australian Capital Territory Insurance Corporation (ACTIC), which will manage the insurance of risks of the Territory and Territory entities.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Insurance Authority Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Quinlan – 6 September 2000

This Bill will require the Minister to provide the Assembly with information about third party indemnities granted under section 15 of the *Insurance Authority Act 2000*.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000

Insurance Levy Legislation Repeal Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 8 March 2001

This Bill will repeal the *Insurance Levy Act 1998* in stages over a period of time and will ensure that the insurance levy imposed on insurance companies will cease to apply on the 1 July 2001.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/2001

Insurance Levy Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) - 25 June 1998

This Bill provides for a levy on Insurance companies to contribute to the provisions of emergency services. Activities by the emergency agencies, particularly in the areas of prevention/mitigation and response to emergencies, minimise the damage to property subject to a variety of insurance policies. This levy is similar to a levy on insurance companies in other States.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998

Interactive Gambling Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 28 May 1998

This Bill is designed to provide the legislative basis for regulating interactive games in order to protect players who participate in interactive forms of gambling. The legislative framework also provides for the implementation in the ACT of an interjurisdictional scheme to regulate gambling on the Internet and other forms of interactive gambling.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Interpretation (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 April 1998

This Bill would amend the *Interpretation Act 1967* to insert a new section 14(1B) to the effect that - where a law refers to a particular committee of the Legislative Assembly which no longer exists - the Speaker may by instrument nominate another committee for the purposes of the relevant law.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Interpretation Amendment Bill 1999 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 9 December 1999

This Bill would amend the *Interpretation Act 1967* and the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989* in relation to the process of making and gazetting instruments.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Interpretation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 9 March 2000

This Bill would amend the *Interpretation Act 1967* so that legislation providing for fees to be determined can include the imposition of a tax. In clarifying the law, it assists in preparation towards the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2000; GR in Report No. 11/2000

Jurisdiction of Courts Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 8 March 2001

This Bill will amend the following four Acts; the *Gas Pipeline Access Act 1998*, the *Jurisdiction of Courts (Cross-Vesting) Act 1993*, the *National Crime Authority (Territory Provisions) Act 1991* and the *Competition Policy Reform Act 1996* in response to the High Court decision in *Re Wakin*. This Bill will make consequential amendments to ACT legislation as a result of the passing of the Commonwealth *Jurisdiction of Courts Legislation Amendment Act 2000*.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/2001

Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 2 September 1999

This Bill is for an Act to amend the laws relating to justice and community safety. The Bill proposes to

- update the review powers in the *Coroners Act 1997* which deal with the powers of the Supreme Court to order an inquest or inquiry into a death or fire, or quash or order a fresh inquest or inquiry into the cause of a death or fire or disaster;
- allow the Government Solicitor to act for any body corporate or trust which is at least 50% beneficially owned or controlled by Territory Government owned corporations and former public employees;
- permit a juror to disclose protected information to a legal practitioner for certain purposes;
- provide for internal review rules in relation to decisions made of the *Magistrates Court Act 1930*; and
- repeal section 12 of the *Supreme Court Act 1933* to allow the Supreme Court to sit as a full Court.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1999

Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 November 1999

This Bill would amend the law relating to justice and community safety and for other purposes. The Bill amends legislation governing certain Tribunals to provide a set of standardised provisions to deal with their administration and membership. Affected Tribunals are Credit Tribunal, Discrimination Tribunal, Guardianship and Management of Property Tribunal, Mental Health Tribunal and Tenancy Tribunal.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999

Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill (No 3) 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 November 1999

This Bill would amend the law relating to justice and community safety and for other purposes. The amendments relate to a number of Acts and reflect a re-organisation of fair trading functions within the Department of Justice and Community Safety to bring these functions under executive level supervision. The amendments replace the former statutory position of Director with a Commissioner for Fair Trading. They also provide that the Commissioner would discharge the statutory functions formerly associated with the Consumer Affairs Bureau.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/999

Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will simplify and revise existing legislation relating to justice and community safety. In particular cumbersome and archaic provisions are amended in the *Sale of Motor Vehicles Act 1977* and the *Second-hand Dealers and Collectors Act 1906*.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Justice and Community Safety Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 7 December 2000

This Bill will amend existing legislation relating to justice and community safety. It is part of a series of Bills that amends existing legislation. In particular, amendments have been made to the *Justices of Peace Act 1967* in relation to privacy matters concerning the database of Justices of the Peace, and the *Partnership Act 1963* to provide for the creation of partnerships, the relations of partners among themselves and the dissolution of partnerships.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001

Kingston Foreshore Development Authority Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 25 November 1999

This Bill would establish the Kingston Foreshore Development Authority. The Bill sets out the functions, powers, membership and staffing of the Authority. The Authority would be authorised by the Executive to grant leases on its behalf in the declared Kingston Foreshore Development Area.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999

Land (Planning and Environment) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 19 November 1998

This Bill would amend sections 184B and 187B of the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* for the purpose of altering the time from which will commence to operate changes to the Change of Use Charge which have been made by previous amendment to the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Land (Planning and Environment) (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Ms Tucker - 25 November 1998

This Bill amends the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* to expand the provisions regarding minor amendments to development approvals and expands the third party appeal rights against decisions on development applications.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Land (Planning and Environment) (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 1 July 1999

This Bill would amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* to make changes to the regime under the Act for the ‘change of use charge’ payable on the variation of a Crown lease.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999; GR in Report No.11/1999

Land (Planning and Environment) (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* to amend sections 184B and 187B by changing the date of effect of the new rate of change of use charge from 31 August 1999 to 31 March 2000.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999; GR in Report No. 11/1999

Land Planning and Environment Amendment Bill (No 3) 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 2 September 1999

This Bill amends the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* to implement 3 key elements of the Government's Response to the Rural Policy Taskforce Report *Toward a Sustainable Future*. These 3 key elements include 99 year leases, lease transfer arrangements and Land Management Agreement.

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill (No 4) 1999 - Mr Corbell - 13 October 1999

This Bill amends the Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991 to provide for a criteria for the utilisation of the ministerial call-in power under S299A of the Act, specifically to revoke a referral of a development application to the Commissioner for Land and Planning for determination.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/999

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services)– 17 February 2000

This Bill amends certain provisions of the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*. The amendments will streamline processes in relation to development assessment carried out under the Act. The costs of administration of functions under the Act should decrease for industry and the community.

Land (Planning and Environment) (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 17 February 2000

This Bill amends the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* in relation to the Change of use Charge.

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2000 (No 3) – Mr Corbell – 24 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, to create the position of Chief Planner for the ACT to manage the ACT Planning Authority.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2000 (No 4) – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 29 August 2000

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, to increase the Change of Use Charge to be calculated from 75% to 100% of the added value that may result from lease variation, subdivision or consolidation.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2000

**Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2000 (No 5) – Mr Corbell –
29 November 2000**

This Bill amends the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* to allow for the Executive to dismiss wholly or partially the change of use charge by disallowable instrument.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2001 – Ms Tucker – 7 March 2001

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, to remove the provision for ‘defined land’ under the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/2001

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* concerning applications made for a variation to a lease (or for consolidation or subdivision) and for payment of the change of use charge.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2001 (No 3) – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 13 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, to provide for the extension of the period in which a person seeking to take up a rural lease may do so at a concessional rate.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/2001

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2001 (No 4) – Mr Rugendyke – 14 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, to require development applications to be submitted with accurate survey details.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2001 (No 5) – Ms Tucker – 20 June 2001

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, to allow the Minister to call in a development application for determination and makes the notice by which the Minister calls in an application, a disallowable instrument.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

**Land (Planning and Environment) Legislation Amendment Bill 1999 - Ms Tucker –
13 October 1999**

This Bill would amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* in two major ways. The first would delete references in the Act to the minister’s ‘call in’ powers to revoke a referral of a development application to the Commissioner for Land and Planning for determination. The second would amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Regulations* to permit third party appeal rights against decisions to approve certain kinds of development applications for single dwellings.

[Bill discharged on 30 August 2000]

Scrutiny Report No. 12/999

**Land (Planning and Environment) Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 - Ms Tucker –
29 November 2000**

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Regulations 1992* to restore third party appeal rights against development approvals of over sized single dwellings, as outlined by the performance measures and residential design guidelines in the Territory plan.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Land Titles Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 25 May 2000

This Bill amends the *Land Titles Act 1925* and the *Land Titles (Unit Titles) Act 1970*, to clarify provisions of the law, make ACT law consistent with that in NSW, remove outdated provisions and overcome some practical problems that have arisen.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Lands Acquisition Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 2 September 1999

This Bill amends the *Lands Acquisition Act 1994* to implement one of the Government's responses to the Rural Policy Taskforce Report to restrict the compensation of short term rural leases to the term of the existing lease.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1999

Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 2 September 1999

This Bill would amend various Acts of the Territory to make a range of technical amendments to those laws in order to maintain the currency of the law, to repeal outdated or unnecessary legislation and to rectify irregularities.

Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will amend the *Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1955* and provide for consequential and minor amendments to the *Compensation (Fatal Injuries) Act 1968*, in relation to the agreement between the States and Territories to adopt a uniform approach to the High Court Decision in *Astley v Austrust Pty Ltd*.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Leases (Commercial and Retail) Bill 2000 – Mr Rugendyke – 24 May 2000

This Bill will provide mechanisms for the regulation of retail and commercial licenses and leases, including the resolution of disputes and the establishment of a code of practice.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Leases (Commercial and Retail) Bill 2000 [No 2] – Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will replace the *Tenancy Tribunal Act 1994* and the Commercial and Retail Leases Code of Practice. It will regulate the relationship between lessors and tenants of commercial and retail premises and includes the provision of negotiation of leases and dispute resolution.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000; GR in Report No. 2/2001

Legislation (Access and Operation) Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will establish an electronic statute book to allow for a system for making legislation available on the internet without charge to the user.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000; GR in Report No. 2/2001

Legislation (Access and Operation) (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will amend and repeal certain Acts as a consequence of the passing of the Legislation (Access and Operation) Bill 2000.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Legislative Assembly (Broadcasting) Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will replace the *Legislative Assembly (Broadcasting of Proceedings) Act 1997* and provides for a more open and flexible broadcast of the proceedings of the Assembly and Assembly committees.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Legislation (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will make consequential amendments to a majority of Acts and subordinate laws as a result of the passing of the *Legislation Act 2001*.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Legislative Assembly (Legal Assistance) Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 8 March 2001

This Bill will provide for legal assistance from the Territory to Members of the Legislative Assembly in accordance with approved guidelines.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/2001; GR in Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Acting Chief Minister) - 29 October 1998

This Bill amends the *Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Act 1989*, to enable Members of the Legislative Assembly to engage consultants and contractors in their offices in addition to the existing capacity to employ staff.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1998

Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will amend the *Legislative Assembly (Members' Staff) Act 1989*, to clarify the employment conditions of Members' staff – where employment conditions are not covered by the Act or employment agreements. The Bill provides that the employment conditions under the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* and management standards are to apply.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Legislative Assembly (Privileges) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 20 May 1998

This Bill would introduce an Act to state the powers, privileges and immunities of the Legislative Assembly. These powers, privileges and immunities are designed to enable the Assembly to inquire, debate and legislate free from interference.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Limitation (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 26 August 1998

This Bill would amend the *Limitation Act 1985* to provide that an action or a cause of action for defamation is not maintainable if brought after the expiration of one year from the date of publication of the matter complained of, or, if it was not reasonable for the plaintiff to have

known about the publication within one year, if brought within two years from the date of publication of the matter complained of.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Liquor (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Osborne - 27 May 1998

This Bill amends the *Liquor Act 1975* by omitting subsection (3) of section 104B. The purpose is to remove one of the defenses from prosecution in regard to the sale of liquor to minors.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Liquor (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Liquor Act 1975* to amend the matters that can be dealt with in the Licensing Standards Manual as well as strengthening provisions relating to underage drinking, repealing the *Business Franchise (Liquor) Act 1993*, introduces an annual licence renewal fee and re-organises the Liquor Licensing Board's disciplinary powers.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999; GR in Report No. 11/1999

Liquor Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 – Mr Quinlan – 8 December 1999

This Bill amends the *Liquor Act 1975* by inserting a new Section 177A to govern the admissibility in evidence in judicial proceedings of breath analysis tests conducted in licensed premises.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Liquor Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will amend the *Liquor Act 1975*, to permit the making of a regulation that would restrict liquor licence holders from selling liquor in specified containers at specified times of the year.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Liquor Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Rugendyke – 22 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Liquor Act 1975* to create a rebuttable presumption that the contents of a container which purports to contain alcohol is alcohol.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2001

Litter (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 21 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Litter Act 1977* to insert section 7B which would create a new offence in relation to placing an unsolicited leaflet, handbill or other document on a motor vehicle. The section does not apply to documents placed on the vehicle in accordance with a law of the Territory, or which are handwritten, of a personal nature, and directed to the owner, driver or rider of the vehicle.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Long Service Leave (Cleaning, Building and Property Services) Bill 1999 - Mr Berry – 30 June 1999

This is a Bill for an Act to provide for long service leave for employees in the cleaning, building and property services industry. This Act would create the Cleaning Industry Long Service Leave Board, and create the position of Long Service Leave Registrar.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Long Service Leave (Cleaning, Building and Property Services) Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Long Service Leave (Cleaning, Building and Property Services) Act 1999* to provide for a portable long service scheme for employees of the contract cleaning industry.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001; GR in Report No. 10/2001

Low-alcohol Liquor Subsidies Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 August 2000

In May 2000 the Assembly passed the Subsidies (Liquor and Diesel) Repeal Act 2000 to remove subsidies on diesel and low alcohol products. The Low-alcohol Liquor Subsidies Bill 2000 will re-introduce subsidies on low-alcohol beer and wine and is the result of similar action by New South Wales.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2000; GR in Report No. 13/2000

Low-alcohol Liquor Subsidies Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will amend the *Low-alcohol Liquor Subsidies Act 2000*, to provide a legislative framework to ensure that taxes imposed on low-alcohol beer and wine are lower than for full strength products between 1 September 2000 and 30 June 2001.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill would amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to create a new fine recovery scheme. This scheme provides a range of options to avoid, as far as possible, imprisonment and to encourage payment. The Registrar of the Magistrates Court will be the central authority in the scheme, which will apply to all courts in the Territory.

See also: Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill 1998, Children's Services (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998, Remand Centres (Amendment) Bill 1998 and Crimes (Amendment) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998; GR in Report No. 5/1998

Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 28 May 1998

This Bill amends the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* consistent with the amendments made by the Domestic Violence (Amendment) Bill 1998 and to reflect the recommendations of the ACT Community Law Reform Committee.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998; GR in Report No. 12/1999

Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill (No. 3) 1998 - Mr Stanhope - 23 September 1998

This Bill would amend the *Magistrates Court (Amendment) Act 1998* to require the Registrar to refer the question of the imprisonment of fine defaulters back to the Court for its consideration of all relevant matters. Consequential amendments will also need to be made to the *Crimes (Amendment) Act (No. 3) 1998* and the *Children's Services (Amendment) Act 1998* to give effect to this Bill.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Magistrates Court (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to the effect that the *Magistrates Court (Civil Jurisdiction) Act 1982* would apply to proceedings under Part 10 of the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* and to ensure that any orders may be made by consent without admissions by the respondent to the application for the order.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999

Magistrates Court Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 26 August 1999

This Bill amends the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* relating to the limitation period under the Act. The Bill amends section 31 of the Principal Act by providing that where an offence has been committed and a Coronial inquest or inquiry, an inquiry under the *Inquiries Act 1991* or a royal commission, is held into a matter related to that offence, a prosecution may be commenced within one year after the day the Coroner's report is made or the report of the board of inquiry or royal commission is provided to the Chief Minister.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999; GR in Report No. 12/1999

Magistrates Court Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Berry – 10 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to give employees protection by allowing their employers to apply for a restraining order.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Magistrates Court Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Rugendyke – 8 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to allow police discretion in issuing infringement notices for certain minor offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Magistrates Court (Civil Jurisdiction) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill will amend section 349 of the *Magistrates Court (Civil Jurisdiction) Act 1982* and substitute in its place a new section 349 of the same Act. Under this new section, the Magistrates Court will have power to order a bailiff to make a forced entry of the premises of a judgment debtor to seize property to satisfy a judgment debt in circumstances where the debtor has refused entry or cannot be contacted.

See also: Supreme Court (Amendment) 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 26 November 1998

This Bill amends the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* to repeal section 3 concerning the expiry date of the Act. The Bill also provides for an Official Visitors Scheme for mental health facilities, by increasing the rights of people subject to emergency detention to inform a relative or friend, through the requirement to include consumers and carers in policy development, evaluation of services and service planning and enabling the discharging of persons from involuntary orders as soon as the criteria for involuntary detention is no longer met. There are also major changes to the type of mental health orders and the composition of the Mental Health Tribunal.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998; GR in Report No. 1/1999

[Bill discharged on 22 April 1999 - See Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Amendment) Bill 1999]

Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 8 December 1998

This is a Bill to repeal section 3 of the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* and substitute a new section 3 to the effect of extending the operation of the Act until 30 June 1999.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1998

Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 22 April 1999

This Bill amends the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* and replaces the Mental Health (Treatment and Care) (Amendment) Bill 1998 following representations received on some of the provisions of the 1998 Bill. Some of the new provisions include the removal of the preventive detention provision, the maintenance of the role and structure of the Mental Health Tribunal, clarification of the role of the Chief Psychiatrist and Care Coordinator in relation to mental health orders, the separation of orders for mentally ill and mentally dysfunctional persons, clarification of the provisions in relation to apprehension by the police, and consultation by the Tribunal with a child's parents where a child is subject to a Mental Health Tribunal inquiry.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1999

Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 19 October 1999

This Bill amends the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* and will:

- enable the Care Coordinator to delegate his or her powers in relation to persons with a mental dysfunction in the same way the Chief Psychiatrist does;
- remove redundant reference to the Care Coordinator in a number of provision in section 32 of the Act;
- remove reference to mental health officers in section 41 of the Act;
- clarify the reference to psychiatric and physical examinations for person subject to emergency detention which may be made under section 43; and
- clarify the operation of Section 15.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1999

Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 25 May 2000

This Bill will amend Section 37 of the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994*, to remove inconsistencies that relate to 'involuntary detention'.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Milk Authority (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 21 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Milk Authority Act 1971* with the objective of ensuring so far as possible that certain conduct which is at present authorised by the Act will, until the end of 1998, be conduct which is authorised, and thus not in breach of, the *Trade Practices Act 1974* of the Commonwealth.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Milk Authority (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 24 November 1998

This Bill amends the *Milk Authority Act 1971* proposing amendments that extend the Trades Practices Act authorisation and makes the necessary changes to transfer regulatory functions away from the Milk Authority.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Milk Authority (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 2 February 1999

This Bill amends the *Milk Authority Act 1971* and proposes amendments to transfer responsibility for the major regulatory functions under the Milk Authority Act from the ACT Milk Authority to Departments of State. Accordingly, the Bill addresses the need for government business activities to comply with the Trade Practices Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1999

Milk Authority (Repeal) Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will repeal the *Milk Authority Act 1971*, as of 1 July 2000. The Milk Authority of the ACT's assets and liabilities will be transferred to the Territory and will take effect with the deregulation of the milk industry.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Hargreaves - 18 November 1998

This Bill repeals section 10A of the *Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) Act 1977* relating to the procedures for when a Random Breath Test returns positive, which has been made redundant with the provision of more scientifically accurate information.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 26 November 1998

This Bill will amend the *Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) Act 1977* to reinsert imprisonment provisions for certain offences which were inadvertently omitted as a result of the *Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) (Amendment) Act 1997*. The offences relate to the refusal to provide a breath sample, blood test and driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a drug.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Osborne - 1 September 1999

This Bill would amend the *Motor Traffic (Alcohol and Drugs) Act 1977* to the effect of removing the discretion of the relevant court to impose periods of disqualification of a driving licence and making provision for mandatory periods of disqualification.

[Bill discharged 17 February 2000]

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1999

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill is part of a package of legislation to introduce a uniform scheme for the enforcement of court-imposed fines. It amends the Motor Traffic Act to provide incentives for the payment of fines.

See also: Magistrates Court (Amendment) 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Osborne - 20 May 1998

This Bill would amend section 172 of the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to delete from subsection (1) all the words after “reasonable excuse”, to make it an offence to fail to produce a driving licence on demand.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No. 3) 1998 - Ms Tucker - 26 August 1998

This Bill would amend section 143 of the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to omit “60” and insert “50”. The effect would be to reduce the maximum speed applicable to a public street to 50 kph.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No. 4) 1998 - Mr Rugendyke- 18 November 1998

This Bill would amend the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to the purpose of regulating certain activities involving the use of motor vehicles upon a public street. The Bill would repeal section 119 of the Act and insert in its stead new sections 119 and 119A.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No. 5) 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 26 November 1998

This Bill amends the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to provide for the following:

- to place restrictions on novice motorcycle riders by limiting the engine capacity and the power to weight ratio of motorcycles ridden by learner riders and by provisional riders during the first year the licence is held;
- to allow for the use of a single meter to control a number of identified parking bays;
- to align the current pelican crossings provisions with both the NSW provisions and the proposed Australian Road Rules;
- to allow the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to cancel a licence issued, or registration granted, if a cheque has been dishonoured;
- to make consistent the grounds on which a defect may be issued, and a registration suspended, cancelled or refused; and
- to remove an anomaly in the allocation of demerit points.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Osborne - 24 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to ensure that seat belts are worn when they are fitted in a motor vehicle and to restrict the number of people in a motor vehicle to the number of seat belts in the vehicle.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to facilitate the introduction of speed and red light cameras in the Territory. It also makes provision for a new scheme for infringement notices to be used where the driver of a vehicle is unknown.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999; GR in Report No. 11/1999

Motor Traffic Amendment Bill (No 3) 1999 - Mr Osborne - 1 September 1999

This Bill would amend section 180Z of the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* to the effect that where a person's special driving licence is cancelled, the person is to be disqualified from driving for the period of the original disqualification.

[Bill discharged 17 February 2000]

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1999

Native Title (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Native Title Act 1994* to provide for confirmation and validation provisions as a consequence of the passage of Commonwealth amendments.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Nature Conservation (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Tucker - 24 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Nature Conservation Act 1980* to require that the statutory position of Conservator of Flora and Fauna be filled by a person with specific qualifications and experience in nature conservation.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Needle Exchange Bill 2000 – Mr Osborne – 29 November 2000

This bill will increase the number of needles used by intravenous drug users being handed in to official outlets. This Bill will also provide for the making of reports on the number of needles distributed and returned.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Oaths and Affirmations (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 26 August 1998

This Bill would repeal section 6A of the *Oaths and Affirmations Act 1984* and insert a new section 6A in its stead. This new provision would provide that notwithstanding section 9 of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth, a member of the Legislative Assembly shall make and subscribe an oath or affirmation in accordance with the form specified in Schedule 1A of the *Oaths and Affirmation Act 1984*. Clause 5 of the Bill would then amend Schedule 1A.

The effect would be to delete a reference in the oath to allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Occupational Health and Safety (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Berry - 17 February 1999

This Bill amends the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* to provide for the commencement of prosecution in the Magistrates Court within one year after the day on which a Coronial Report is made or a coronial inquest or inquiry has concluded.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1999; GR in Report No. 4/1999

Occupational Health and Safety (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1999 - Mr Berry - 30 June 1999

This Bill amends the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* to provide the Occupational Health and Safety Commissioner with the independence of the powers of a chief executive.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Occupational Health and Safety (Amendment) Bill 2000 - Mr Berry – 29 March 2000

This Bill will amend the *Occupational Health and Safety (Amendment) Act No.2 1999*, to ensure the independence of the Workcover or Occupational Health and Safety Commissioner. This Bill will allow the Workcover or Occupational Health and Safety Commissioner to have the same power as a Chief Executive of a department, in relation to the assistance of departmental staff.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 9 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Occupational Health and Safety (Amendment) Act 1999 (No 2)*, to establish the position of Commissioner for Occupational Health and Safety. The role of the Commissioner will be directly responsible and accountable for resource management decisions with access to financial and physical resources without the involvement of a department.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2000 (No 3) - Mr Berry – 6 September 2000

This Bill will amend the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989*, to extend time under which a prosecution made under the Act can be brought before the courts from one year to three years.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000

Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2000 (No 4) - Mr Berry – 29 November 2000

This Bill will amend the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* to introduce on the spot fines for minor breaches of the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Olympic Events Security Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 March 1999

This Bill deals with the security arrangements for Olympic events to be held in Canberra. The structure of the security measures to be applied selectively to Olympic events by way of a Ministerial declaration published at least a week before the event in both the *Gazette* and in a major daily newspaper. The Bill also contains provisions enabling some or all of the new powers to be exercised by police and other “authorised persons”.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999; GR in Report No. 8/1999

Olympic Events Security Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Osborne – 6 December 2000

This Bill will amend the *Olympic Events Security Act 2000* to provide for security during major sporting or community events. The Bill will restrict the provision of security to that by the Police for these events.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001

Parental Leave (Private Sector Employees) Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Berry – 8 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Parental Leave (Private Sector Employees) Bill 2001* to mirror the decision of the Australian Industrial Relations Commission and extend the coverage of parental leave to private sector casual workers in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Payroll Tax (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 25 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Payroll Tax Act 1987* to create a new scheme for the exemption of employment agents from payroll tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Payroll Tax (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Payroll Tax Act 1987* to clarify that wages paid by employment agents to contractors, who are bona-fide employers in their own right, continue to remain exempt from payroll tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999

Payroll Tax Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 28 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Payroll Act 1987* to impose a payroll tax on employers at a rate of 6.85% where their annual wages amount exceeds \$1 250 000. *Scrutiny Report No. 15/2001*

Periodic Detention Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 25 November 1999

This Bill will amend the *Periodic Detention Act 1995*. The amendments in the Bill clarify the terms and provisions of the periodic detention order in relation to period of imprisonment and inability to serve a detention period. *Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999*

Pharmacy Amendment Bill 2001 – Ms Tucker – 8 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Pharmacy Act 1931* to allow for company registration as pharmacists provided that the company operates as a pharmacy only, registered pharmacists are the directors of the company and shareholders of the company are pharmacists or their relatives. *Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001*

Poisons and Drugs (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 25 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Poisons and Drugs Act 1978* to permit the advertising to the public of some kinds of “Pharmacist Only Medicines”. It would do so by adopting by reference provisions of the “Drugs and Poisons Standard”, which is published under the auspices of the Australian Health Ministers Council. *Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999*

Poisons and Drugs Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 29 August 2000

This Bill will amend the *Poisons and Drugs Act 1978*, to increase the penalty for the unauthorised supply of anabolic steroids for human use from six months to five years. The Bill also updates the list of the anabolic steroids to which the Act applies. *Scrutiny Report No. 12/2000*

Prisoners (International Transfer) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 19 November 1998

This Bill complements the Commonwealth’s *International Transfer of Prisoners Act 1997* which provides for a scheme of prisoner transfers between Australia and other countries. *Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998*

Protection Orders (Reciprocal Arrangements) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 28 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Protection Orders (Reciprocal Arrangements) Act 1992* to provide for the registration and enforcement of protection orders made in New Zealand. It will in this respect extend the scope of protection afforded to victims of domestic violence in the ACT. *Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998*

Proportional Representation (Hare-Clark) Entrenchment Amendment Bill 2001 – Ms Tucker – 14 February 2001

This Bill will amend the *Proportional Representation (Hare-Clarke) Entrenchment Act 1994*, to fix the day of the election for Members of the Legislative Assembly as specified in section 100 of

the *Electoral Act 1992*. It is proposed that the date could be changed by a two thirds majority of the Assembly or a majority of the Assembly and a majority of electors at a referendum.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/2001

Protection Orders Bill 2001 – Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will consolidate the provisions concerning restraining orders in *the Magistrates Court Act 1930* and the *Domestic Violence Act 1986*.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Protection Orders (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2001 – Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will make consequential amendments as a result of the passing of the Protection Orders Bill 2001.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Psychologists (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Psychologists Act 1994* to replace sections 57, 58 and 59 to the effect of removing certain transitional provisions in the Act. These provisions enabled persons who did not hold qualifications to become registered by reason of their having practised as a psychologist prior to the introduction of the Act in 1994. It is considered no longer necessary to make such transitional provision.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1999

Psychologists Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 25 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Psychologists Act 1994*, to make provision for regulation under the Act, of psychologists employed in the public sector.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Public Health Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 11 May 2000

This Bill will introduce a simpler registration process for the regulation of public health activities and provides that the Minister may decide which public health activities can be registered. The government will then have greater flexibility to deliver public health protection by the use of a wide range of disease control mechanisms.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Public Access to Government Contracts Bill 2000 – Mr Osborne – 8 March 2000

The terms of this Bill will permit the publication (either in written or electronic form through email or on a website) the terms of government contracts. The confidential clauses are exempt from publication.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2000

Public Health (Consequential Amendments) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (for Minister for Health and Community Care) - 11 March 1999

This Bill proposes to amend certain Acts and regulations to eliminate unforeseen potential discrimination that may have arisen as a result of the passage of the *Public Health Act 1997* and the *Public Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1997*. The potential discrimination arose due

to the replacement of the term “infectious disease” with the more general term “transmissible notifiable condition”.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1999

Public Sector Legislation Amendment Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) – 16 November 1999

This Bill makes amendments to the *Public Service Management Act 1994* and the *Fire Brigade (Administration) Act 1974* to retain, as an interim measure existing rights to review and appeals in the ACT Public Service notwithstanding the repeal of the Merit Protection Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1999

Public Sector Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will amend the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*, the *Fire Brigade (Administration) Act 1974* and the *Legislative Assembly (Members’ Staff) Act 1989*, to ensure that ACT public servants retain the review rights that are linked to the old review arrangements for ACT public servants under the Commonwealth *Merit Protection (Australian Government Employees) Act 1984* beyond 31 December 2000. These arrangements can be overridden by agency certified agreements and will remain in place until a new legislative framework commences.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Public Sector Management (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) – 25 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* to provide for the advertising of ACTPS job vacancies in the Territory Gazette rather than the Commonwealth Gazette, amends the definition of ‘criminal offence’ to include offences committed in other State and Territory jurisdictions, permits the re-appointment or re-engagement of former Chief Executives and Executives to the ACTPS with the written approval of the Commissioner for Public Administration and streamlines the making of routine changes to the public sector management standards.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Public Sector Management Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will amend the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* and the *Fire Brigade (Administration) Act 1974*, to put in place new arrangements for the right of review relating to discipline, promotions and employment related decisions of those people employed in the ACT Public Service and under the *Fire Brigade (Administration) Act 1974*.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Public Sector Management Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Osborne – 14 February 2001

This Bill will amend the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* and proposes to ensure tenure and greater transparency and accountability for the employment of senior executive officers of the ACT public service.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/2001

Race and Sports Bookmaking Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will provide for the regulation of race and sports bookmaking and associated activities in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001; GR in Report No. 9/2001

Racing Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) - 10 December 1998

This a Bill for an Act to establish a legal framework for the regulation and administration of the racing industry in the Territory. The Bill establishes the framework for the control and administration of the three forms of racing in the ACT (thoroughbred, harness and greyhound racing) with other forms of animal racing, for the purpose of betting, to be permitted within the ACT upon the approval of the Minister.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998

Rates and Land Tax (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 28 May 1998

This Bill amends the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* by amending section 13 to adjust the levels of the fixed charge and the rating factors for the 1998-99 rating year.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Rates and Land Tax (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) – 19 November 1998

This Bill would amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* in various respects which are related primarily to the scheme for the payment of residential land tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998; GR in Report No. 1/1999

Rates and Land Tax (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 4 May 1999

This Bill amends the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to the primary purpose of adjusting the rating factors for the 1999-2000 rating year. The Bill would also create a mechanism for the determination of various kinds of fees payable upon the making of an objection, for an application for reconsideration, and for review by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal. Such fees would be refundable in the event of the objection, etc being successful in whole or in part.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 11 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926*, to replace the Commissioner's discretionary power with a statutory formula for the calculation of land tax for land parcels with multiple dwellings.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 11 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926*, to adjust the rating factors for the financial year 2000/01.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) - 3 May 2001

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to adjust the rating factors for general rates, for the financial year 2001-2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 18 October 2000

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Act 1970*, so that eligible pensioners, persons suffering hardship and Gold Card Holders of the Commonwealth Department of Veterans' Affairs can receive land, water and sewerage rate concessions. The *Utilities*

(Consequential Provisions) Bill 2000 also proposes amendments to the *Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Act 1970*. If it is passed before this Bill, it will exclude all reference to concessions for water and sewerage rates and so this Bill would apply to concessions for land rates only.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Referendum Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will allow for a referendum to approve the running of a supervised injecting room trial and a clinical trial for the controlled provision of heroin to people registered as dependent on heroin. The referendum is proposed to be conducted simultaneously with the 20 October 2001 Legislative Assembly election.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Bill 2001 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health, Housing and Community Services) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will provide for home detention, parole and a Sentence Administration Board and enable the operation of a fully integrated case-management system of offender rehabilitation.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Remand Centres (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill amends section 15 of the *Remand Centres Act 1976* to enable fine defaulters to serve out their period of imprisonment in respect of fine default at a remand centre.

See also: Magistrates Court (Amendment) 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Remuneration Tribunal (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 April 1998

This Bill amends section 9 of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995* by particularising the various offices held by Members of the Assembly about which the Tribunal may make a determination.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Remuneration Tribunal (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Tucker - 5 May 1999

This Bill amends the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995* to place restrictions on persons who can be appointed as members of the Remuneration Tribunal and to make determinations of the Tribunal disallowable instruments.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Residential Tenancies (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 30 April 1998

This Bill makes minor amendments to sections 62, 64 and 73 of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*. It also amends the definition of an “approved mediator” in the Residential Tenancies Act and repeals Division 3 of Part VI of the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Residential Tenancies (Consequential Provisions) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) - 30 April 1998

This Bill proposes consequential amendments to a number of Acts and makes transitional arrangements with respect to the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*. This Bill also proposes the repeal of the Landlord and Tenant Acts and Regulations.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 1999 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 4 May 1999

This Bill would amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987*, the *Lotteries Act 1964*, and the *Taxation Administration Act 1999* to implement a number of revenue raising initiatives in the 1999-2000 Budget. In the main, these amendments would have the effect of increasing various kinds of fees payable under those Acts.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Bill 1999 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 October 1999

This Bill is to enable the establishment of a system for licensing drivers that will be part of a nationally consistent scheme for driver licensing; to provide for the establishment of a demerit points system for the suspension and cancellation of licences; and to provide for learner and provision licences in a way that is consistent with the treatment of other licences.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999; GR in Report No. 16/1999

Road Transport (General) Bill 1999 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 October 1999

The objects of this Bill are to provide for the enforcement of the provisions of road transport legislation, To facilitate the efficient administration of the legislation to enable the Administrative Decisions Tribunal to review certain decisions made under the legislation.

Scrutiny Report 14/1999; GR in Report No. 16/1999

Road Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 October 1999

The objects of this Bill are to repeal the *Motor Traffic Act 1936* and the *Traffic Act 1937* and any Regulations made under those Acts. It also makes amendments to various other Acts and Regulations consequent on those repeals and the enactment of other proposed legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999; GR in Report No. 16/1999

Road Transport Legislation Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 – Mr Rugendyke – 8 December 1999

This Bill would prohibit racing vehicles, testing them and their drivers at high speed or deliberately spinning the wheels of a vehicle or burnouts on public streets. It would allow the cars of offenders to be impounded or forfeited depending on the number of offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Road Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 (No. 2) – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 7 September 2000

This Bill will amend and or repeal a number of different Acts to reflect passage of the Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Bill 2000. The Bill also clarifies meaning of ‘found guilty’ in relation to speed cameras.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 7 September 2000

This Bill will introduce accreditation for bus operators (public and private) and provide for government standards relating to vehicle maintenance and safety of passengers and the public.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000; GR in Report No.14/2000

Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 9 August 2001

This will amend the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* to provide for an extended regulatory regime for taxis and provides for increased consumer protection for users of this service.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Bill 1999 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 October 1999

This Bill provides for a safety and traffic management system for the ACT that is consistent with the agreements scheduled to the Commonwealth *National Road Transport Commission Act 1991*.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999; GR in Report No. 16/1999

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 7 December 2000

This Bill will amend the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999* to provide for the seizure by Police and the Courts of vehicles that are used in the commission of menacing driving offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001; GR in Report No. 3/2001

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 June 2001

This Bill will allow speed and red light camera programs to continue to operate after 6 October 2001 by removing the sunset clause.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) – Mr Rugendyke – 22 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999* to allow police to seize motor vehicles within 10 days of the vehicle being used for street racing offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2001

Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Bill 1999 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 October 1999

This Bill is to enable the establishment of a vehicle registration system for light and heavy vehicles that will be part of a nationally consistent scheme and to provide necessary powers for the making of regulations relating to registration.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999; GR in Report No. 16/1999

Roads and Public Places (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 29 October 1998

This Bill amends the *Roads and Public Places Act 1937* to provide a simple process to regulate placement of movable advertising signs in public places, while at the same time strengthening the statutory powers of Rangers to remove movable signs and other objects from public places where appropriate.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/1998

Sale of Motor Vehicles Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 7 December 2000

This Bill will repeal the *Registration of Interests in Goods Act 1990* and amend the *Sale of Motor Vehicles Act 1977* applying to the registration of interests in motor vehicles.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2001**Schools Authority (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) – 30 April 1998**

This Bill amends the *Schools Authority Act 1976* to delete Division 2 of Part III of the act relating to the Schools Authority Advisory Committee and associated references.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998**Shopping Containers Bill 1998 - Ms Tucker - 9 December 1998**

This is a Bill for an Act to require retail businesses to charge their customers for plastic bags it provides for the purpose of carrying items from the store.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998**Smoking Products Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 11 May 2000**

This Bill will amend the *Tobacco Act 1927*, so that the sale, advertising, promotion and smoking of certain non-tobacco smoking products will be subject to the same legislative controls as tobacco. Provisions relating to points of sale and health warnings at points of sale and health warnings at point of sales displays will not commence until November 2000.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000; GR in Report No. 11/2000**Spent Convictions Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries – (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) – 11 May 2000**

This Bill will create a spent convictions scheme for the ACT, which allows certain convictions to be ignored in specific circumstances after a period of time.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000**Stadiums Corporation Bill 1999 – Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) – 9 December 1999**

This Bill would establish the Stadiums Corporation as a statutory authority. The Corporation would be granted the authority to operate and manage sporting or entertainment facilities and associated events and festivals.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000**Stamp Duties and Taxes (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 25 August 1998**

This Bill would amend the *Stamp Duties and Taxes Act 1987* to remove doubt concerning the validity of past stamp duty assessments made by the Commissioner for ACT Revenue on share buy-back transactions and to enable the Commissioner to continue to assess buy-back transactions for duty.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998**Statute Law Revision (Penalties) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 24 September 1998**

This Bill implements the second stage of a review of penalties in ACT legislation by amending those Territory acts not amended in the first stage, the *Statute Law Revision (Penalties) Act 1994*, to achieve greater consistency in the penalties which are applied to the wide variety of offences on the ACT 'statute book'. Uniform review principles and penalty scale for different categories of offences have been applied in the conduct of the review.

Scrutiny Report No. 9/1998

Statute Law Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will make minor and non-controversial amendments (including repeals) to Acts and regulations to maintain the ACT's statute book.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Statute Law Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will make further minor and non-controversial amendments (including repeal) to the Statute Book. This will bring the provisions and language up to date, correct minor errors, and omit redundant provisions.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Statute Law Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will make minor and non-controversial amendments (including repeal) to the Statute Book.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Stock (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 11 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Stock Act 1991* to ban the feeding of certain mammalian materials to ruminants (being, in particular, sheep, cattle and goats). The Bill is designed to be part of legislative reform in all Australian jurisdictions to deal with concerns about the link between 'Mad Cow' disease and a form of Creutzfeld-Jakob Disease (CJD).

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1999

Stock Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 9 August 2001

This Bill will extend the coverage of material that is banned from being fed to ruminant to safeguard stock from Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE or Mad Cow Disease).

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2001

Subordinate Laws (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 1 July 1999

This Bill amends the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989* to the effect that, upon the tabling in the Legislative Assembly of a subordinate law which is subject to disallowance by the Assembly, the Assembly might disallow the law within 6 sitting days of its being tabled.

Scrutiny Report No. 8/1999; GR in Report No. 11/1999

Subordinate Laws Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 - Mr Stanhope - 25 August 1999

This Bill amends the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989* to amend the process to require the Executive to approve the making of any proposed regulations. The Bill also amends the signing procedures to ensure that the Minister responsible for administering an Act is one of the Ministers who signs any regulations made under that Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/1999

Subordinate Laws Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Hargreaves – 6 September 2000

This Bill will amend the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989* to require regulatory impact statements to accompany subordinate legislation in circumstances where there may be increasing costs placed on the community.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/2000

Subsidies (Liquor and Diesel) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) -28 May 1998

This Bill provides a legislative framework for the payment of subsidies to ensure that consumers of low alcohol products and pensioners and primary producers using diesel fuel pay lower taxes for these products.

See also: Tobacco Licensing (Amendment) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998

Subsidies (Liquor and Diesel) Repeal Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) -11 May 1998

This Bill will repeal the *Subsidies (Liquor and Diesel) Act 1998*, as of 1 July 2000, as a result of the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Reform of Commonwealth/State Financial Relations in respect to the implementation of the Goods and Services Tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000; GR in Report No. 10/2000

Supervised Injecting Place Trial Bill 1999 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 25 November 1999

This Bill for an Act is to permit and facilitate the running of a research trial examining the effects of operating a supervised injecting place.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999; GR in Report No. 1/2000

Supervised Injecting Place Trial Amendment Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Minister for Justice and Community Safety) – 10 July 2000

This Bill will amend the *Supervised Injecting Place Trial Act 1999*, to set the earliest commencement date of the facility where the trial will take place as 1 January 2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Supreme Court (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 30 April 1998

This Bill would amend the *Supreme Court Act 1933* to the effect that the Supreme Court will have power to order the Sheriff to make a forced entry of the premises of a judgment debtor for any purpose connected with executing a judgment in circumstances where the debtor has refused entry or cannot be contacted.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998

Supreme Court (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Ms Tucker - 26 August 1998

This Bill would amend the *Supreme Court Act 1933* to repeal the Schedule to the Act and to insert a new Schedule. The existing and the proposed Schedules prescribe the form of oath or affirmation to be taken by the Chief Justice, a Justice, the Master and Registrar of the Supreme Court.

The effect would be to delete a reference in the oath to allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/1998

Supreme Court (Amendment) Bill (No. 3) 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 19 November 1998

This Bill will amend the *Supreme Court Act 1933* to provide for the remuneration, allowances and entitlements of resident Judges who are not also Federal Court Judges and will also provide the Supreme Court with a capacity to declare a person a vexatious litigant.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Supreme Court Amendment Bill 2001 - Mr Stefaniak (Attorney-General) - 21 June 2001

This Bill will establish an ACT Court of Appeal.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Surveillance Cameras (Privacy) Bill 2000 – Mr Stanhope – 29 March 2000

This Bill would ensure that the collection and use of video surveillance images and information are regulated and used only for permitted purposes, protecting the privacy of person's whose lawful activity is recorded during the course of surveillance.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Surveyors Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth – (Minister for Urban Services) - 29 June 2000

This Bill will provide for the appointment by the Minister of a 'Commissioner for Surveys' to replace the Surveyors Board of the ACT which will be abolished under the Surveyors (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2000. The Bill will also allow the Minister to issue survey practice directions.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000; GR in Report No. 13/2000 and 14/2000

Surveyors (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth – (Minister for Urban Services) - 29 June 2000

This Bill will repeal the *Surveyors Act 1967* and the *Surveyors (Examination and Registration) Regulations*, and make consequential amendments to other legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Taxation (Administration) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 21 May 1998

This Bill would amend section 31 of the *Taxation (Administration) Act 1987* to allow the late payment penalty interest rate, (which is currently fixed in the Act at 20% per annum), to be set by a determination under section 99(1) of the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Taxation Administration Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 10 December 1998

This is a Bill for an Act to replace the *Taxation (Administration) Act 1987* and to make general provisions with respect to the administration and enforcement of the tax laws of the Territory. The provisions concern the imposition and collection of tax, exceptions and exemptions from liability to a tax, and entitlements to refunds.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998, GR in Report No. 3/1999

Taxation Administration (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 10 December 1998

This is a Bill for an Act to make consequential and transitional provisions which will be required should the Taxation Administration Bill become law.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1998

Taxation Administration Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 29 June 2000

This Bill will amend the provisions in the *Taxation Administration Act 1999*, which relate to the market rate component of the interest rate on tax defaults and the imposition of penalty tax.

Scrutiny Report No. 11/2000

Territory Owned Corporations (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Corbell - 20 May 1998

This Bill amends the *Territory Owned Corporations Act 1990* to insert a new provision to the effect that the Chief Minister shall not give a direction under section 13(3) unless the Legislative Assembly had by resolution approved of the transfer, and, if the standing orders and rules of the Assembly so required, that resolution had been passed by a special majority. The Bill would also amend section 16 of the Act to the effect that a Territory owned corporation or a subsidiary thereof shall not dispose of its main undertakings or cease to be a subsidiary unless the Legislative Assembly had by resolution approved of the relevant transaction, and, if the standing orders and rules of the Assembly so required, that resolution had been passed by a special majority.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998

Territory Owned Corporations (Amendment) Bill (No. 2) 1998 - Mr Quinlan - 25 November 1998

This Bill formalises arrangements whereby the Shareholders of Territory Owned Corporations must, in most cases, consult with the Assembly Committee responsible for the scrutiny of Public Accounts, before appointing members to the Board of any Territory Owned Corporation.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Territory Owned Corporations (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Ms Tucker - 21 April 1999

This Bill amends the *Territory Owned Corporations Act 1990* to specify the qualifications required for certain Directors of these Corporations and to amend their principle objectives.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1999

Territory Owned Corporations Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 – Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 21 October 1999

This Bill amends the *Territory Owned Corporations Act 1990* to:

- remove the restriction on the number of non-voting shares a Territory owned corporation may issue;
- Treasurer to be responsible for authorising the issue and subsequent transfer of non-voting shares;
- Chief Minister to be responsible for authorising the issue and subsequent transfer of voting shares;
- lift the restriction for a statement of corporate intent after the end of the previous financial year; and
- change the name of the memorandum of association and the articles of association to the company's Constitution.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/1999

Territory Owned Corporations Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will remove CanDeliver Limited from Schedule 1 of the *Territory Owned Corporations Act 1990*

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Territory Owned Corporations Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Berry – 29 August 2001

This Bill will amend the *Territory Owned Corporations Act 1990* to tighten provisions relating to the acquisition and disposal of territory owned subsidiaries.

Territory Records Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 June 2001

This Bill will state the obligations of agencies for the management of their records, creates the position of the Director of Territory Records and provides for public access to records.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Territory Superannuation Provision Protection Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will ensure that appropriations held for the management of the Territory's superannuation liabilities is used only for the its intended purpose in relation to the management of the Territory's authorities superannuation liabilities.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Tobacco (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care - 25 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Tobacco Act 1927* and the *Tobacco Licensing Act 1984* to clarify and strengthen controls on advertising and promotion and the sale and supply of tobacco products.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999, No. 6/1999;
GR in Report No. 10/1999; Response to GR in Report No. 10/1999; GR in Report No. 11/1999

Tobacco Amendment Bill (No 2) 1999 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 9 December 1999

This Bill will transfer the tobacco licensing function from the Commissioner for Revenue in the Department of the Treasury to the Registrar of Tobacco in the Department of Health and Community Care. There is provision for the application for, and the grant or refusal of, and other matters relating to a retail tobacconist's licence, and a wholesale tobacco merchant's licence. There is provision for disciplinary action in relation to licensees, and for offences by licensees and others. In particular, a person must not, without a licence, sell or carry on tobacco retailing, or tobacco wholesaling. There is provision for review by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal of significant decisions affecting licensees and those who make application to become licensees.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Tobacco Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health, Housing and Community Services) - 3 May 2001

This Bill will provide a definition of 'point of sale' and also provide that a health warning notice must be displayed where tobacco products are sold in accordance with the regulations.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001

Tobacco Licensing (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 28 May 1998

This Bill amends the *Business Franchise (Tobacco and Petroleum Product) Act 1984* to repeal all provisions relating to the diesel exemption certificate scheme, to repeal all provisions relating to the licensing of tobacco wholesalers and petroleum wholesalers and retailers and the collection of licence fees from those licences, and amends existing provisions for the licensing of persons retailing tobacco products in the Territory. It also renames the Principal Act.

See: Subsidies (Liquor and Diesel) Bill 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Traffic (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 26 November 1998

This Bill amends the *Traffic Act 1937* to insert provisions to allow “marked footcrossings”. Marked footcrossings are pedestrian crossings controlled by traffic lights and are generally located mid-block.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998

Transplantation and Anatomy (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (on behalf of Mr Moore - Minister for Health and Community Care) - 19 November 1998

This Bill would amend the *Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1978* to allow non-medical practitioners to enucleate eyes for forwarding to the Eye Bank.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/1998

Transplantation and Anatomy Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) – 11 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Transplantation and Anatomy Act 1978*, to lower the age of consent for blood donors from 18 years to 16 years of age.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2000

Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Chief Minister) - 28 May 1998

This Bill would amend the *Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997* so as to enable the enactment by an Act of the Commonwealth to provide the recognition throughout Australia of regulatory standards adopted in New Zealand regarding goods and occupations.

Scrutiny Report No. 3/1998

Treasury and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Chief Minister) – 18 October 2000

This Bill proposes a number of minor amendments to the following legislation. The *First Home Owner's Grant Act 2000*, so as to extend eligibility to New Zealanders with permanent residency in Australia who meet all other eligibility criteria. This provision commences on 1 July 2000. The *Gaming Machine Act 1987*, to allow claims against gambling tax liability for those gaming machine operators who have paid GST. This provision commences 1 November 2000. The *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926*, so that new land owners must inform the Commissioner where the land is subject to land tax and where the owner intends to continue rental status’.

Scrutiny Report No. 14/2000

Tree Protection (Interim Scheme) Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 29 March 2001

This Bill will establish an interim tree register for the conservation of trees in the Territory until other legislation can be enacted.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001

Tree Protection Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 27 March 2001

This Bill will establish a tree register for the conservation of trees in the Territory.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/2001; GR in Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001

Trustee (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 25 March 1999

This Bill amends the *Trustee Act 1925* of the State of New South Wales, in its application in the Territory, to allow trustees to invest trust moneys in accordance with a prudent person test (the trustee is required to exercise the care, diligence and skill in managing the affairs of other persons) rather than according to a list of approved investments. These amendments are in line with those that have been made inter-state.

Scrutiny Report No. 4/1999

Unclaimed Moneys (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Ms Carnell (Treasurer) - 28 April 1998

This Bill amends the *Unclaimed Moneys Act 1950* by redefining the eligibility age in relation to the pension age to incorporate the same meaning as contained in the Commonwealth's *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993*. It also redefines the jurisdiction for the receipt of any unclaimed superannuation payments and also enables the ACT to receive any unclaimed moneys arising from retirement savings accounts.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998

Unit Titles Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 30 November 2000

This Bill will replace the *Unit Titles Act 1970* and will clarify the liabilities, obligations and rights of: owners, owners corporations, executive committees and agents. It also allows alterations to boundaries in a units plan and provides that owners corporations are required to administer a budget, sinking fund and corporate register.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Unit Titles Consequential Amendments Bill 2000 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 30 November 2000

This Bill amends existing legislation as a consequence of the passing of the Unit Titles Bill 2000.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/2000

Utilities Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 17 February 2000

This Bill sets out an ownership-neutral regulatory regime, which would apply equally to suppliers of regulated utility services in the ACT and protect and enhance the interests of the ACT community as consumers of utility services. The regime would be based on relevant utilities being required to have operating licences for the utility service they would provide. The Bill defines responsibilities for the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission as licence regulator in addition to its existing functions, the Essential Services Consumer Council (replacing the existing Services Review Committee and functions as the appeal body for consumer complaints of up to \$10 000), and the Chief Executive (as technical regulator).

GR in Report No. 11/2000

Utilities (Telecommunications Installations) Bill 2001 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will impose certain rights and obligations on telecommunication carriers who install telecommunications facilities using the access provisions detailed in the Bill.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001; GR in Scrutiny Report No. 8/2001

Utilities (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2000 – Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 17 February 2000

This Bill makes amendments to a number of ACT laws, which will be necessary as a result of the passage of the Utilities Bill 2000. It also provides for a transitional regulation making power. Schedule 1 lists amendments to Acts. The amendments in Schedule 2 relate to regulations.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/2000; GR in Report No. 11/2000

Veterinary Surgeons (Amendment) Bill 1999 - Michael Moore (Minister for Health and Community Care) - 6 May 1999

This Bill amends the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 1965* to repeal a requirement that the Chairperson of the Veterinary Surgeons Board be a public servant. Scrutiny Report No. 6/1999

Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) - 26 November 1998

This Bill significantly amends the *Criminal Injuries Compensation Act 1983*, *Victims of Crime Act 1994*, *Crimes Act 1900*, and makes consequential amendments to the *Magistrates Court Act 1930*, *Evidence (Closed-Circuit Television) Act 1991* and the *Supreme Court Act 1933* to implement a new approach to assisting victims of crime in the Territory.

Scrutiny Report No. 13/1998; GR in Report No. 1/1999

Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) Amendment Bill 2000- Ms Tucker – 24 May 2000

This Bill will amend the *Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) (Amendment) Act 1999*, to alter the entitlements for assistance and compensation for victims of violent crime. In particular, the amendments to the scheme implemented by that will apply from 23 June 1998.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) Amendment Bill 2000 (No 2) - Mr Humphries (Attorney-General) – 24 May 2000

This Bill will increase the Victims of Crime Levy from \$30 - \$50.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2000

Vocational Education and Training Amendment Bill 2000 – Mr Stefaniak (Minister for Education) – 29 August 2000

This Bill will close a loophole in ACT legislation that currently enables unauthorised people to advertise unaccredited higher education courses. It also provides that a further two members be appointed to the ACT Accreditation and Registration Council.

Scrutiny Report No. 12/2000

Waste Minimisation Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 3 May 2001

This Bill will provide for the management, regulation and reduction of waste and introduces, *inter alia*, industry waste reduction plans.

Scrutiny Report No. 7/2001; GR in Report No. 10/2001

Water and Sewerage Bill 2000 - Mr Humphries (Treasurer) – 30 March 2000

This Bill will reorganise and update existing regulations relating to the supply of plumbing and sanitary drainage services in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 6/2000

Water Resources Bill 1998 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 21 May 1998

This Bill would establish a scheme for the management of water resources of the Territory.

Scrutiny Report No. 2/1998; GR in Report No. 5/1998

Water Resources Amendment Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 25 November 1999

This Bill provides for the payment of periodic fees which are determined under the *Water Resources Act 1998* in a manner and at a time to be specified by the Minister by notice in the Gazette.

Scrutiny Report No. 16/1999; GR in Report No. 1/2000

WorkCover Authority Bill 1999 - Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) - 16 November 1999

This Bill establishes ACT WorkCover as a Statutory Authority which will have various functions, including the administration of various laws referred to in the Bill as workcover legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 15/1999

Workers' Compensation (Amendment) Bill 1998 - Mr Humphries (Minister Assisting the Treasurer) - 25 June 1998

This Bill amends the *Workers' Compensation Act 1951* to provide for compensation to be paid to private sector employers who suffer work related injuries. In particular, it provides for the Court to settle disputed claims by arbitration with the cost of this service to be borne by employers. This bill provides for a levy on insurers and those employers who have been exempted from having insurance to cover the administration of the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 5/1998; GR in Report No. 8/1998

Workers Compensation Amendment Bill 1999 – Mr Osborne – 9 December 1999

This Bill establishes criminal offences and provides penalties for deliberate evasion of payment of premiums and/or the understating of wages in order to lessen the payment of premiums in relation to insurance policies concerning workers compensation.

Scrutiny Report No. 1/2000

Workers Compensation Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Smyth (Minister for Urban Services) – 15 June 2001

This Bill will amend the current ACT workers compensation scheme to bring it in line with modern injury management focussed workers' compensation schemes.

Scrutiny Report No. 10/2001; GR in Report No. 11/2001