Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Ordinance 1982

No. 52 of 1982

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910.

Dated 25 June 1982.

ZELMAN COWEN Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

MICHAEL HODGMAN Minister of State for the Capital Territory

An Ordinance to amend the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages
Ordinance 1963

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Amendment) Ordinance 1982.

Principal Ordinance

2. In this Ordinance, "Principal Ordinance" means the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Ordinance 1963.²

Searches and issue of documents

- 3. Section 51 of the Principal Ordinance is amended—
- (a) by omitting sub-sections (1), (2) and (3) and substituting the following sub-sections:
 - "(1) Subject to this section, the Registrar shall, on receiving an application under this section together with the prescribed fee, cause a search to be made in the appropriate index and register and issue to the applicant—
 - (a) a copy of, or an extract from, the relevant entry certified by the Registrar in Accordance with Form 10 or 11, as the case may be; or
 - (b) a notification of the result of the search, as the case requires.

- "(2) An application under sub-section (1) shall—
- (a) be in writing signed by the applicant;
- (b) contain sufficient particulars to enable the relevant search to be made; and
- (c) specify the reason for which the search is required."; and
- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:
 - "(8) Where....
 - (a) a person has paid the fee specified in the third column of item 1 in the Fifth Schedule on an application for a search in a register and the issue to him of a copy of an entry in the register; and
 - (b) the Registrar issues to that person a notification of the result of the search because the search failed to locate such an entry,

that person is entitled to have refunded to him an amount equal to the amount by which that fee exceeds the fee specified in the third column of item 3 in that Schedule."

Fifth Schedule

4. The Fifth Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting item 3 and substituting—

NOTES

- 1. Notified in the Commonwealth of Australia Gazette on 9 July 1982.
- 2. No. 17, 1963 as amended by No. 19, 1966; No. 47, 1974; No. 29, 1975; Nos. 18, 50 and 58, 1977; No. 17, 1979; Nos. 24 and 40, 1980; No. 32, 1981.