**SEAT OF GOVERNMENT (ADMINISTRATION) AMENDMENT ACT 1978**

**No. 40 of 1978**

An Act to amend section 12 of the *Seat of Government* (*Administration*) *Act* 1910.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:

**Short title**

**1.** This Act may be cited as the *Seat of Government* (*Administration*) *Amendment Act* 1978.

**Commencement**

**2.** This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

**Ordinances**

**3.** Section 12 of the *Seat of Government* (*Administration*) *Act* 1910is amended—

(a) by inserting in sub-section (2a) “or places” after “place”; and

(b) by inserting after sub-section (2a) the following sub-sections:

“(2b) Where a notice of an Ordinance having been made is published in accordance with sub-section (2a), copies of the Ordinance shall, at the time of publication of the notice or as soon as practicable thereafter, be made available for purchase at the place, or at each of the places, specified in the notice.

“(2c) Where, on the date of publication of a notice referred to in sub-section (2b), there are no copies of the Ordinance to which the notice relates available for purchase at the place, or at one or more of the places, specified in the notice, the Minister of State for Administrative Services shall cause to be laid before each House of the Parliament, within 15 sitting days of that House after that date, a statement that copies of the Ordinance were not so available and the reason why they were not so available.

“(2d) Failure to comply with a requirement of sub-section (2b) or (2c) shall not be taken to constitute a failure to comply with paragraph (2)(a) or sub-section (2a).”.