

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

### MINISTER FOR THE ARTS, SPORT, THE ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND TERRITORIES

#### Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) (Fees) Regulations 1990 1990 No. 130

The Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1989 received Royal Assent on 17 January 1990, and its purpose is to control the export and import of hazardous wastes in order to protect human health and the environment. The Act will enable Australia to take part in international measures to control the movement of hazardous wastes which also have this objective.

The purpose of the Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) (Fees) Regulations 1990 is to set fees for applications and notices under the Act.

For the Act to be brought into effect, Regulations must be made by the Governor-General setting out fees for applications and notices, related to the system of permits set up under the Act. Section 32 of the Act states that the fees may not exceed \$4,000.

The fees set out in the proposed Regulations reflect the estimated administrative costs of assessing applications and notices. They relate to applications for import and/or export permits, applications to vary permits and notices by applicants for permits varying those applications.

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Tourism and Territories

