



## REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

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### Explanatory Statement: Determination 2005/16 Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Public Office and Members of Parliament

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1. The Remuneration Tribunal has inquired into and determined the remuneration and significantly related matters for office holders, as it is empowered to do by the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*.
2. In making this determination the Tribunal has informed itself through consultation in accordance with established practice.
3. Any retrospective application of this determination is in accordance with subsection 12(2) of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* as it does not affect the rights of a person (other than the Commonwealth or an authority of the Commonwealth) to that person's disadvantage, nor does it impose any liability on such a person.

#### **PART 1 – PART-TIME OFFICES**

4. Clause 1.1 specifies the Principal Determination (Number 5 of 2005) for the purposes of Part 1 of the Determination.
5. Clause 1.2 inserts a new entry for the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation, and sets remuneration and travelling allowance for its Chairman and Members.
6. Clause 1.3 specifies the date of effect of Clause 1.2 as 23 August 2005, the date on which the body was referred into the Tribunal's jurisdiction.
7. Clause 1.4 removes the entry specifying daily fees for the Chairman and Members of the Carrick Institute for Learning and Teaching in Higher Education Ltd, and substitutes an entry specifying annual fees for that body.
8. Clause 1.5 adds a footnote to the Determination, setting annual fees for the Chairman and Members of the Carrick Institute for Learning and Teaching in Higher Education Ltd's Audit and Risk Management Committee.

9. Clause 1.6 specifies the date of effect of Clauses 1.4 and 1.5 as 5 September 2005, the date on which the Tribunal made its decision to convert the fees from daily fees to annual fees.
10. Clause 1.7 deletes the entries for the Health Insurance Commission Board and the Commonwealth Services Delivery Agency (Centrelink) Board which have both been abolished.
11. Clause 1.8 omits the wording of the footnotes relating to Health Insurance Commission Board and the Commonwealth Services Delivery Agency (Centrelink) Board. The footnotes have been retained with the wording 'Footnote deleted'.
12. Clause 1.9 amends the name of two organisations to reflect recent changes. The associated remuneration entries remain unchanged.

## **PART 2 – MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT**

13. Clause 2.1 specifies the Principal Determination (Number 8 of 2005) for the purposes of Part 2 of the Determination.
14. Clause 2.2 relocates the entry for 'Bordertown' in the list of South Australian towns to correct an administrative error.
15. Clause 2.3 provides an increased entitlement to overnight transit stops in the nearest major transport centre for members representing electorates over 300,000 km<sup>2</sup>, where they are not able to access centres within their electorates through direct flights, to 30 per annum from their capped entitlement to overnight stays.
16. Clause 2.4 increases the entitlement for the Member for Lingiari and the senators representing the Northern Territory to additional travelling allowance from eleven overnight stays per annum to a maximum of 18 overnight stays per annum for visits to the Cocos (Keeling) and/or Christmas Islands on electorate business.

**Authority:** Sub-sections 7(1), 7(2), 7(3) and 7(4) of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*.