

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Select Legislative Instrument 2009 No. 185

ISSUED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Defence Act 1903
Federal Court of Australia Act 1976
Federal Magistrates Act 1999
Fisheries Management Act 1991
Freedom of Information Act 1982
Australian Human Rights Commission Act 1986
Privacy Act 1988
Public Service Act 1999
Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984
Workplace Relations Act 1996

Australian Human Rights Commission
(Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2009

Subsection 124(1) of the *Defence Act 1903*, subsection 60(1) of the *Federal Court of Australia Act 1976*, subsection 120(1) of the *Federal Magistrates Act 1999*, subsection 168(1) of the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*, subsection 94(1) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*, section 50 of the *Australian Human Rights Commission Act 1986*, subsection 100(1) of the *Privacy Act 1988*, subsection 79(1) of the *Public Service Act 1999*, subsection 60(1) of the *Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984* and subsection 846(1) of the *Workplace Relations Act 1996* provide that the Governor-General may make regulations prescribing matters required, or permitted by those Acts to be prescribed, or necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to those Acts.

The *Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Act 2009* amended the *Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission Act 1986* (HREOC Act) to change the name of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission to the 'Australian Human Rights Commission' and to retitle the HREOC Act as the *Australian Human Rights Commission Act 1986*. Relevant Ministers were consulted on the consequential amendments to other legislation arising from the change in the Commission's name and the HREOC Act

The purpose of the Regulations is to amend various Principal Regulations to replace references to the HREOC Act and the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, with the *Australian Human Rights Commission Act 1986* and the Australian Human Rights Commission. The following Principal Regulations are affected: *Defence Force Regulations 1952*, *Federal Court of Australia Regulations 2004*, *Federal Magistrates Regulations 2000*, *Fisheries Management Regulations 1992*, *Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 1982*, *Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (Allowances) Regulations*, *Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission Regulations*, *Privacy (Private Sector) Regulations 2001*, *Public Service Regulations 1999*, *Torres Strait Fisheries Regulations 1985*, *Workplace Relations Regulations 2006*.

The Regulations are a legislative instrument for the purposes of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003*.

The Regulations commenced on the commencement of Division 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Act 2009.