

Telecommunications (Integrated Public Number Database – Permitted Research Purposes) Instrument 2017

I, MITCH FIFIELD, Minister for Communications, being satisfied that the kinds of research specified by the following instrument are in the public interest, make the following instrument.

Dated 18 July 2017

MITCH FIFIELD

Minister for Communications

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Telecommunications (Integrated Public Number Database – Permitted Research Purposes) Instrument 2017*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after this instrument is registered.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 285(3) of the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

***Act*** means the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

***candidate*** means a person who has been nominated as a candidate under:

(a) the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*; or

(b) a law of a State or Territory that deals with electoral matters.

***Commonwealth entity*** has the meaning given by section 10 of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*.

***electoral matter*** means a matter which is intended or likely to affect voting in:

(a) an election under a law of the Commonwealth, or a law of a State or Territory, relating to elections to a Parliament or to a local government authority; or

(b) a referendum under a law of the Commonwealth or a law of a State or Territory.

***local government authority*** means a local governing body established by or under a law of a State or a Territory.

***Parliament*** means:

(a) the Parliament of the Commonwealth; or

(b) a State Parliament; or

(c) the legislature of a Territory.

***political representative*** means:

(a) a member of a Parliament; or

(b) a councillor (however described) of a local government authority.

***registered political party*** means a political party, or a branch or division of a political party, that is registered under:

(a) the*Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*; or

(b) a law of a State or Territory  that deals with electoral matters and provides for the registration of political parties.

***Territory*** does not include the Territory of Norfolk Island.

5 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in Schedule 1 to this instrument is repealed as set out in the Schedule.

6 Specification

The following kinds of research are specified for the purposes of subparagraph 285(1A)(c)(iv) of the Act:

(a) research, or the compilation or analysis of statistics, relevant to public health, including epidemiological research, where the research is not conducted for a primarily commercial purpose;

(b) research regarding an electoral matter conducted by a registered political party, a political representative, a candidate in an election for a Parliament or a local government authority or a person on behalf of such a party, representative or candidate, where the research is not conducted for a primarily commercial purpose;

(c) research conducted by or on behalf of the Commonwealth or a Commonwealth entity which will contribute to the development of public policy, where the research is not conducted for a primarily commercial purpose.

Schedule 1—Repeals

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1 The whole of the instrument

Repeal the instrument.