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PROPOSED HEALTH SERVICES (PRIVATE HOSPITALS AND DAY PROCEDURE CENTRES) REGULATIONS 2002

Preparation of Regulatory Impact Statement

Notice is given in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that a Regulatory Impact Statement has been prepared in connection with the proposed Health Services (Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres) Regulations 2002.

The proposed regulations will replace the Health Services (Private Hospitals and Day Procedure Centres) (Interim) Regulations 2001 which expire on 26 September 2002.

The objective of the proposed regulations is to provide for the safety and quality of care of patients receiving health services in private hospitals and day procedure centres and to prescribe fees, forms and other matters required to be prescribed under the **Health Services Act 1988** in relation to such health service establishments.

Among other things, the Regulatory Impact Statement assesses the costs and benefits of the proposed regulations and other practicable means of achieving the same objective. It concludes that the benefits of the proposed regulations outweigh their likely costs.

Copies of the Regulatory Impact Statement may be obtained by telephoning Ms Toula Drakopoulos on 9616 2164 or downloaded from the Private Hospitals Unit website on www.health.vic.gov.au/privatehospitals.pubs.htm.

Public comments and submissions are now invited and will be received up to 35 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Comments and submissions should be addressed to: The Manager, Private Hospitals Unit, Service Development Branch, Department of Human Services, 10th Floor, 589 Collins Street, Melbourne, Vic. 3000.

It should be noted that all comments and submissions received will be treated as public documents.

Hon JOHN THWAITES MP
Minister for Health

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