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Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981

SECTIONS 12G AND 12K

Notice Regarding the Amendment, Commencement and Availability of the Poisons Code

I. John Thwaites, Minister for Health, give notice that the Poisons Code, prepared under sections 12 and 12E of the **Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981**, will be amended by incorporating by reference amendments to the Commonwealth standard as prescribed by the Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances (Commonwealth Standard) Regulations 2001.

The Poisons Code is a document that enables certain parts of the Commonwealth standard, particularly those parts relating to the uniform scheduling, labelling and advertising of drugs and poisons, to be incorporated by reference and then applied as law in Victoria.

The Poisons Code will be amended to the extent that earlier incorporated by reference material, being the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons (SUSDP) No. 16, as amended by SUSDP No. 16 Amendment Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be amended, varied, remade or superseded to the extent necessary by the incorporation by reference of SUSDP No. 17 and SUSDP No. 17 Amendment No. 1.

The date fixed for the amending, varying, remaking or superseding material to take effect is 1 September 2002.

The Poisons Code may be inspected free of charge during normal business hours at the offices of the Department of Human Services situated at Level 16, 120 Spencer Street, Melbourne 3000. Contact – Duty Pharmacist, Drugs and Poisons Unit, Phone 1300 364 545 or Level 14, 555 Collins Street, Melbourne 3000. Contact – Legislation Officer, Phone 9616 7167. A copy of the Poisons Code may also be obtained from the Department or at www.dhs.vic.gov.au/phd/0003112/index.htm.

A copy of the Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons, including amendments, may be obtained from the Australian Government Bookshop situated at 190 Queen Street, Melbourne 3000. Phone 132 447.

Dated 26 August 2002

JOHN THWAITES Minister for Health

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