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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

PROPOSED DRUGS, POISONS AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES REGULATIONS 2006

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 Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Regulations 2006.

The objectives of the proposed regulations are to give effect to the **Drugs**, **Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981**. The regulations aim to facilitate the orderly sale, supply, prescribing, administration, and use of drugs, poisons and controlled substances by health professionals, licensed persons and the general public; and prescribe licence and permit fees and forms.

Among other things the Regulatory Impact Statement assesses the costs and benefits of the proposed regulations and other practicable means of achieving the same objectives. The Regulatory Impact Statement concludes that the benefits of the proposed regulations outweigh the likely costs.

Copies of the Regulatory Impact Statement may be obtained by contacting the Drugs and Poisons Unit on 1300 364 545, or downloaded from the Drugs and Poisons Unit website at www.health.vic.gov.au/dpu.

Written submissions on the Regulatory Impact Statement and proposed regulations are invited and should be addressed to Ms Megan Smith, Drugs and Poisons Unit and submitted by: Mail: Drugs and Poisons Unit, Department of Human Services, GPO Box 4057, Melbourne, Vic. 3001; or Email: dpu@dhs.vic.gov.au.

All submissions must be received by 6 March 2006. It should be noted that all comments and submissions received will be treated as public documents.

Hon BRONWYN PIKE MP Minister for Health

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