# **Directorate: Transport Canberra and City Services**

**18/77 Domestic Animals Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 - Greyhound/Dangerous Dog Alignment - Combined Pass**

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| **Summary of Impacts** |
| * Improved community safety and animal welfare outcomes * Increased community confidence in managing dogs, as well as animal welfare * Bring the ACT in line with best practice for all dogs, including racing greyhounds * Greater ability to undertake compliance and enforcement * Impact on right to fair trial of those who breach the law * Impacts have been considered in detail in the regulatory impact statement. |

*Key to impacts: Red – negative, Amber neutral and Green Positive.*

**Social**

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| **Community and individual health/safety** | * Improved community safety and animal welfare outcomes * Increased community confidence in managing dogs and animal welfare matters for all dogs, including racing greyhounds. |
| **Income levels and distribution** | * Fines can be issued in some additional circumstances. * This will be managed by allowing for penalties to be paid off over time to assist low income earners or in other mitigating circumstances. |
| **Human rights** | * The Amendments state/reframe a number of offences as strict liability, impacting on the right to a fair trial. * The Amendments also give the Registrar the ability to refuse or cancel ownership of a racing greyhound, impacting on the right to ownership where an owner cannot demonstrate responsible dog management, care or control. * Greyhound Racing Controller licence can be refused on public safety grounds. * These are considered balanced against the right to safety of the community and animal welfare outcomes. * Human Rights considered in more detail in the Regulatory Impact Statement. |
| **Justice and rights** | * Improve the ability of the Registrar and DAS to issue fines in relation to dangerous dogs and related offences and effectively administer justice. * Impact on the right to a fair trial, as noted above. |

**Economic**

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| **ACT Government Budget** | * No budget impacts. |

**Environmental**

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| **Environment and climate change** | * No environmental or climate change impacts. |