

# Explanatory Statement

## COMMERCIAL PASSENGER (ROAD) TRANSPORT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (LICENSING) BILL 2026

SERIAL NO. 53  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE  
NORTHERN TERRITORY

MINISTER FOR LOGISTICS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

### GENERAL OUTLINE

This Bill amends the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport Act 1991* to provide options of 12, 24 and 36 month licence terms for initial applications and renewals for those commercial passenger vehicle licences which currently have a maximum licence term of 12 months.

### NOTES ON CLAUSES

#### **Clause 1. Short Title.**

This is a formal clause which provides for the citation of the Bill. The Bill when passed will be cited as the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport Legislation Amendment (Licensing) Act 2026*.

#### **Clause 2. Commencement.**

This clause sets out how the amendment Act will be commenced. In this case the Act will commence on a day fixed by the Administrator by Gazette notice.

#### **Clause 3. Act Amended.**

The clause provides that Part 2 amends the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport Act 1991*.

#### **Clauses 4 – 23 Sections amended**

These clauses set out the amendments to the following sections of the Act: 17, 23, 23A, 30, 35, 35A, 37C, 37H, 37J, 37N, 37T, 37U, 38A, 38G, 38GA, 38L, 38R, 38S, 58 and 62.

In these sections, amendments are made to allow for an applicant to specify the period of a commercial passenger licence to be 12 months, 24 months or 36 months for both initial applications and renewal. An option for shorter period than 12 months (but not less than 3 months) remains for taxi, private hire car, limousine and minibus licences.

#### **Clause 24 - 25. Amendment of Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport (Miscellaneous) Regulations 1992**

These clauses set out minor amendments of the *Commercial Passenger (Road) Transport (Miscellaneous) Regulations 1992* to indicate the schedule of fees per annum for a special passenger vehicle licence.

**Clause 26. Repeal of Act**

Clause 30 is a formal clause that repeals this Act on the day after it commences.