



Automobile Association  
of the Northern Territory

## **SUBMISSION: TERRITORY COORDINATOR BILL**

**BY**

### **AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN TERRITORY (AANT)**

The Automobile Association of the Northern Territory (AANT) is the NT's largest member-based organisation. Since 1963, AANT has been proudly servicing the motoring needs of Territorians. With over 20,000 members, our services span roadside assistance, motor, home and travel insurance, salary packaging, expert motoring advice, and a comprehensive member benefits program.

AANT is a trusted voice in the community. We champion the issues that matter to road users and the broader Territory community, including competitive fuel prices and advocating for safer driving, safer cars, and safer roads.

The Automobile Association of the Northern Territory (AANT) **supports** the introduction of the Territory Coordinator Bill 2025.

The reasons for supporting the Bill are as follows:

1. **Streamlined Processes:** The Bill aims to streamline regulatory processes for significant economic projects, leading to faster development and implementation of infrastructure projects. This will benefit the transportation sector by improving road networks and other infrastructure.
2. **Economic Growth:** By facilitating major economic projects, the Bill can contribute to the overall economic growth of the Northern Territory. Greater economic activity will lead to increased investment in transportation infrastructure, benefiting both AANT members and the broader community.
3. **Improved Infrastructure:** The Bill grants the Minister the power to approve infrastructure coordination plans and programs of works. This will lead to better-planned and executed infrastructure projects, enhancing road safety and connectivity.
4. **Efficient Decision-Making:** The powers granted to the Territory Coordinator and the Minister to prioritise and expedite statutory processes should reduce delays in project approvals. This efficiency can be crucial for timely upgrades and maintenance of transportation infrastructure.
5. **Land Access for Projects:** The Bill allows the Territory Coordinator to authorise entry onto land within designated areas, ensuring that necessary land access issues do not hinder project progress. AANT foresees this will be of benefit to road construction and maintenance projects.

In conclusion, AANT believes the Bill will assist the NT Government in driving and generating much-needed economic growth, including investment in road infrastructure projects and aligns with AANT's mission to advocate for safer NT roads.

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