Administrative Arrangements Order Summary of changes 29 May 2019

On 29 May 2019, the Governor-General made a new Administrative Arrangements Order (AAO) to replace the Order made on 4 April 2019. The new Order reflects changes to administrative arrangements recommended by the Prime Minister.

The new AAO reflects the following changes:

- transfer of responsibility for industrial relations from the Employment portfolio to the Attorney-General's portfolio;
- transfer of responsibility for vocational education and training, and apprenticeships from the Education portfolio to the Employment portfolio;
- transfer of responsibility for migrant adult education from the Education portfolio to the Home Affairs portfolio;
- transfer of settlement services for refugees and humanitarian migrants from the Social Services portfolio to the Home Affairs portfolio;
- transfer of responsibility for whole of government service delivery from the Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio to Services Australia;
- transfer of responsibility for population policy from the Infrastructure portfolio to the Treasury portfolio;
- transfer of responsibility for housing affordability from the Social Services portfolio to the Treasury portfolio;
- update of the legislation listed in the AAO to reflect new, repealed and amended legislation as well as minor corrections; and
- correction of other matters, including Ministers' titles, to reflect the Ministry list.

In addition to these changes, five departments have been renamed, as detailed below:

New title	Old title
Department of Agriculture	Department of Agriculture and Water Resources
Department of Education	Department of Education and Training
Services Australia	Department of Human Services
Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business	Department of Jobs and Small Business
Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development	Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities