NT Moves to National Business Names Register

Territory Businesses will have their names added to a national register under legislation passed in the Northern Territory Parliament today.

Attorney General Delia Lawrie said the law repeals the NT’s law in favour of a national register.

“The Business Names (National Uniform Legislation) Request Bill is part of a national agreement by all jurisdictions to establish a national register to be administered by the Commonwealth,” Ms Lawrie said.

“The effect of the legislation is to repeal the NT’s Business Names Act and transfer all registered names to a national register.

“Names that are registered in more than one jurisdiction will be changed by adding an additional jurisdictional word; for example the “Central Café” will become “Central Café (Darwin).

“The streamlined national register is a subtle but important administrative measure to improve business efficiency, cut red tape and protect the Territory’s world-class businesses,” Ms Lawrie said.

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