

New South Wales

Children (Detention Centres) Amendment Bill 1999

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are as follows:

- (a) to require a person who is of or above the age of 18 years and who has been ordered to serve a sentence of imprisonment for an offence committed while in juvenile detention to serve the balance of any unexpired term of a detention order to which the person is subject in prison,
- (b) to provide that such a person may apply to the Children's Court for an order directing that the person be returned to a detention centre to serve the balance of that term of detention if the Children's Court is of the opinion that the person is suitable for detention in a detention centre,
- (c) to make consequential amendments.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on a day to be appointed by proclamation.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Children (Detention Centres) Act 1987* set out in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Amendments

Schedule 1 [2] inserts proposed section 28BA in the *Children (Detention Centres) Act 1987* to give effect to the objects described in paragraphs (a) and (b) above.

Schedule 1 [1], [3] and [4] contain the consequential amendments to the *Children (Detention Centres) Act 1987* referred to in paragraph (c) above.