

Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2003

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to make miscellaneous amendments to the following Acts:

- (a) the Bail Act 1978,
- (b) the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998,
- (c) the Crimes Act 1900,
- (d) the Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2000,
- (e) the Crimes (Local Courts Appeal and Review) Act 2001,
- (f) the Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999,
- (g) the Criminal Appeal Act 1912,
- (h) the Criminal Procedure Act 1986,
- (i) the Drug Court Act 1998,
- (j) the Evidence (Children) Act 1997,
- (k) the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002,
- (l) the Mental Health Act 1990,
- (m) the Mental Health (Criminal Procedure) Act 1990,
- (n) the Police Powers (Internally Concealed Drugs) Act 2001,
- (o) the Summary Offences Act 1988.

The amendments proposed to be made to each Act are explained in detail in the explanatory notes set out at the end of the Schedule dealing with that Act.

References in the proposed Act to provisions of the *Criminal Procedure Act 1986* are references to provisions of that Act, as amended and renumbered by the *Criminal Procedure Amendment (Justices and Local Courts) Act 2001*.

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.

Clause 3 is a formal provision that gives effect to the amendments to the Acts set out in Schedules 1–15.

Clause 4 provides that any matter appearing under the heading “Explanatory note” in a Schedule to the proposed Act does not form part of the proposed Act.