

## **Children (Detention Centres) Amendment Bill 2004**

### **Explanatory note**

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

#### Overview of Bill

Under section 50 (1) of the *Bail Act 1978*, a person who has been released on bail may be arrested and taken before a court if a police officer believes that the person has failed, or is about to fail, to comply with requirements of the person's bail.

The object of this Bill is to provide that, when a child is so arrested and detained before being taken before a court, the child is to be detained in a detention centre under the *Children (Detention Centres) Act 1987* or, if it is impracticable to do so, in a police station.

#### 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 assent.

#### Explanatory note

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

**Schedule 1** contains the amendment described in the above Overview.