

Correctional Centres Legislation Amendment (Assumed Identities) Bill 1999

Explanatory note

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

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to provide that correctional officers and persons employed in the Department of Corrective Services are not to assume identities that would represent them to be persons holding particular positions of trust, for example, doctors, lawyers and members of the clergy.

This Bill amends the *Correctional Centres Act 1952* and the *Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999*. The proposed repeal of the *Correctional Centres Act 1952* requires an amendment to the latter Act.

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 or days to be appointed by proclamation.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Correctional Centres Act 1952*.

Clause 4 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999*.

Schedules

Schedule 1 inserts section 31AA into the *Correctional Centres Act 1952* and **Schedule 2** inserts section 235A into the *Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999* to provide that a person employed in the Department of Corrective Services or a correctional officer must not acquire or use an assumed identity that would represent the person to be a certain class of person, for example, a doctor, lawyer or member of the clergy.