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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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(As presented)

(Attorney-General)

**Crimes (Amendment) Bill (No. 5) 1998**

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**A BILL**

FOR

**An Act to amend the *Crimes Act 1900***

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

1. **Short title**  
This Act may be cited as the *Crimes (Amendment) Act (No. 5) 1998*.
- 5 2. **Commencement**  
This Act commences on the day on which it is notified in the *Gazette*.
3. **Principal Act**  
In this Act, "Principal Act" means the *Crimes Act 1900*.

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**4. Insertion**

After section 423 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:

**“423A Order of closing addresses**

5 “(1) In a trial on indictment, the closing address for the defence may be given after the closing address for the prosecution

10 “(2) Where, in the closing address for the defence in a trial on indictment, relevant facts are asserted which are not supported by any evidence that is before the jury, the prosecution may, with the leave of the Court, address the jury further in reply to any such assertion.”.

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**NOTE**

**Principal Act**

1 Reprinted as at 1 June 1998 See also Acts Nos. 9, 22 and 29, 1998