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AN ORDINANCE

To amend the *Public Health (Prohibited Drugs) Ordinance 1957*.

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910*.

Dated this nineteenth day of August, 1977.

JOHN R. KERR
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,
RALPH J. HUNT
Minister of State for Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH (PROHIBITED DRUGS) (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1977

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Public Health (Prohibited Drugs) (Amendment) Ordinance 1977*.^{*} Short title.
2. Section 6 of the *Public Health (Prohibited Drugs) Ordinance 1957*[†] is amended by omitting the word "Director-General" and substituting the word "Commissioner". Destruction of prohibited drugs delivered to Commissioner.
3. After section 6 of the *Public Health (Prohibited Drugs) Ordinance 1957* the following section is inserted:—
"6A. (1) The Commissioner may, by instrument in writing, authorize a person who is engaged in scientific or medical research to have in his possession a specified prohibited drug for the purposes of research. Authority to possess prohibited drugs for research purposes.
(2) An authority under sub-section (1) is subject to such conditions and restrictions (if any) as are specified in the authority.
(3) A person to whom an authority under sub-section (1) has been granted shall comply with such conditions and restrictions as are specified in the authority for the purpose of sub-section (2).
Penalty: \$500.
(4) While an authority granted under sub-section (1) remains in force, the person to whom the authority was granted does not commit an offence against sub-section 4 (1) by reason only of preparing, having in his possession or using a prohibited drug specified in the authority."

^{*} Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 24 August 1977.

[†] Ordinance No. 9, 1957 as amended by No. 19, 1966; and Nos. 17 and 37, 1975.