



AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Crimes (Amendment) Act 1998

No. 9 of 1998

An Act to amend the *Crimes Act 1900*

[Notified in ACT Gazette S160: 10 June 1998]

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

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Crimes (Amendment) Act 1998*.

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*.¹

4. Substitution

Section 429 of the Principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted:

“429. Purposes for which sentence imposed

The only purposes for which a sentence may be imposed are—

- (a) to punish the offender to an extent and in a way that is just and appropriate in all the circumstances;

- (b) to deter the offender or other persons from committing the same or a similar offence;
- (c) to rehabilitate the offender;
- (d) to make it clear that the community, acting through the court, denounces the type of conduct in which the offender engaged;
- (e) to protect the community from the offender; or
- (f) a combination of 2 or more of the purposes referred to in paragraphs (a) to (e) inclusive.”.

5. Matters to which court to have regard

Section 429A of the Principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (1) paragraphs (i), (j) and (l).

6. Matters not to be taken into account

Section 429B of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (e).

NOTE

Principal Act

1. Reprinted as at 30 November 1996. See also Act No. 74, 1996; Nos. 10, 23, 52, 86, 96 and 117, 1997.

[Presentation speech made in Assembly on 30 April 1998]