Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001    No 85

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About this republication

The republished law

This is a republication of the Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001 (including any amendment made under the Legislation Act 2001, part 11.3 (Editorial changes)) as in force on 21 December 2002. It also includes any amendment, repeal or expiry affecting the republished law to 21 December 2002.

The legislation history and amendment history of the republished law are set out in endnotes 3 and 4.

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This republication does not include amendments made under part 11.3 (see endnote 1).

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Penalties

The value of a penalty unit for an offence against this republished law at the republication date is—

(a) if the person charged is an individual—$100; or
(b) if the person charged is a corporation—$500.
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Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001

An Act about the precincts of the Legislative Assembly
1 Name of Act
This Act is the Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001.

3 Dictionary
The dictionary at the end of this Act is part of this Act.

Note 1 The dictionary at the end of this Act defines certain words and expressions used in this Act.

Note 2 A definition in the dictionary applies to the entire Act unless the definition, or another provision of the Act, provides otherwise or the contrary intention otherwise appears (see Legislation Act 2001, s 155 and s 156 (1)).

4 Notes
A note included in this Act is explanatory and is not part of this Act.

Note See Legislation Act 2001, s 127 (1), (4) and (5) for the legal status of notes.

5 Assembly precincts
(1) The Assembly precincts consist of the land described in subsection (2) and all buildings, structures and works on, above or under any of that land.

(2) The land within the Assembly precincts is—
   (a) block 3, section 19, division of City, Canberra Central District; and
   (b) that part of Civic Square under the public entrance canopy; and
   (c) that part of section 19, division of City, Canberra Central District under the members’ entrance canopy.

(3) In this section:

   Assembly building means the building occupying block 3, section 19, division of City, Canberra Central District.
members’ entrance canopy means the fixed canopy attached to the southern side of the Assembly building near the members’ entrance.

public entrance canopy means the fixed canopy attached to the northern side of the Assembly building near the public entrance.

6 Premises included in Assembly precincts

(1) This section applies to property that is leased to or managed by the Territory and is not within the Assembly precincts defined by section 5.

(2) If the Speaker gives a written certificate that stated property is required for use by the Assembly, the regulations may declare that the property is to be treated as part of the Assembly precincts for this Act.

7 Control and management of Assembly precincts

(1) The Speaker is responsible for the control and management of the Assembly precincts and may take any action the Speaker considers necessary for those purposes.

(2) The Assembly may, by resolution, give the Speaker directions about the exercise of the Speaker’s functions under subsection (1).

(3) If the Legislative Assembly gives a direction under subsection (2), the Speaker must comply with the direction.

8 Executive area

(1) The Speaker’s functions under section 7 must be exercised in relation to the Executive area in accordance with any limitations and conditions agreed in writing between the Speaker and the Chief Minister.

(2) In this section:

Executive area means the area of the Assembly precincts reserved for the use of the Executive by a written agreement between the Speaker and the Chief Minister.
9 Removal of people

(1) The Speaker may direct a person who is not a member—
   (a) to leave the Assembly precincts; or
   (b) not to enter the Assembly precincts.

(2) The Speaker may arrange for the removal or exclusion from the Assembly precincts of a person given a direction under subsection (1) using any necessary and reasonable force and assistance.

(3) The Speaker, or a person acting under the Speaker’s direction, does not incur civil or criminal liability for an act or omission done honestly and without negligence under this section.

(4) A civil liability that would, apart from this section, attach to the Speaker, or a person acting under the direction of the Speaker, attaches instead to the Territory.

(5) The Speaker may delegate the Speaker’s functions under this section to—
   (a) the sergeant-at-arms for the Assembly; or
   (b) the principal attendant for the Assembly.

Note For the making of delegations and the exercise of delegated functions, see Legislation Act, pt 19.4.
10 **Contravention of Speaker's direction**

A person must not, without reasonable excuse, contravene a direction by the Speaker under section 9 (1).

Maximum penalty: 50 penalty units, imprisonment for 6 months or both.

11 **Application of Crimes (Offences against the Government) Act**

The *Crimes (Offences against the Government) Act 1989* applies to the Assembly precincts as if they were government premises within the meaning of that Act.

12 **Regulation-making power**

The Executive may make regulations for this Act.

*Note* Regulations must be notified, and presented to the Legislative Assembly, under the *Legislation Act 2001*. 
Dictionary

(see s 3)

Note 1 The *Legislation Act 2001* contains definitions and other provisions relevant to this Act.

Note 2 In particular, the *Legislation Act 2001*, dict, pt 1, defines the following terms:

- contravene
- Executive
- Legislative Assembly
- Speaker.

*Assembly* means the Legislative Assembly.

*Assembly precincts* means—

(a) the precincts defined by section 5; and

(b) any property to which section 6 applies.

*Speaker* includes the Deputy Speaker if—

(a) the Speaker is absent from duty; or

(b) there is a vacancy in the office of the Speaker.
Endnotes

1 About the endnotes

Amending and modifying laws are annotated in the legislation history and the amendment history. Current modifications are not included in the republished law but are set out in the endnotes.

Not all editorial amendments made under the Legislation Act 2001, part 11.3 are annotated in the amendment history. Full details of any amendments can be obtained from the Parliamentary Counsel’s Office.

Uncommenced amending laws and expiries are listed in the legislation history and the amendment history. These details are underlined. Uncommenced provisions and amendments are not included in the republished law but are set out in the last endnote.

If all the provisions of the law have been renumbered, a table of renumbered provisions gives details of previous and current numbering.

The endnotes also include a table of earlier replications.

If the republished law includes penalties, current information about penalty unit values appears on the republication inside front cover.

2 Abbreviation key

am = amended
amdt = amendment
ch = chapter
def = definition
dict = dictionary
disallowed = disallowed by the Legislative Assembly
div = division
exp = expires/expired
Gaz = Gazette
hdg = heading
IA = Interpretation Act 1967
ins = inserted/added
LA = Legislation Act 2001
LR = legislation register
LRA = Legislation (Republication) Act 1996
mod = modified / modification
No = number
num = numbered
o = order
om = omitted/repealed
ord = ordinance
orig = original
p = page
par = paragraph
pres = present
prev = previous
(prov...) = previously
prov = provision
pt = part
q = clause
r = rule/subrule
reg = regulation/subregulation
renum = renumbered
reloc = relocated
R[X] = Republication No
RRI = reissue
s = section/subsection
sch = schedule
sdiv = subdivision
sub = substituted
SL = Subordinate Law
underlining = whole or part not commenced
or to be expired

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3 Legislation history

Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001 No 85
notified LR 24 September 2001
s 1, s 2 commenced 24 September 2001 (LA s 75)
remainder commenced 24 March 2002 (s 2 and LA s 79)
as amended by

Statute Law Amendment Act 2002 No 30 pt 3.42
notified LR 16 September 2002
s 1, s 2 taken to have commenced 19 May 1997 (LA s 75 (2))
pt 3.42 commenced 17 September 2002 (s 2 (1))

Legislative Assembly Precincts Amendment Act 2002 No 53
notified LR 20 December 2002
s 1, s 2 commenced 20 December 2002 (LA s 75 (1))
remainder commenced 21 December 2002 (s 2)

4 Amendment history

Commencement
s 2 om LA s 89 (4)

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s 3 sub 2002 No 30 amdt 3.574
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Removal of people
s 9 am 2002 No 53 s 4

Dictionary
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5 Earlier republications

Some earlier republications were not numbered. The number in column 1 refers to the publication order.

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