

1992

THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Mr Moore)

Prostitution (Consequential Amendments)
Bill 1992

A BILL
FOR

An Act to amend certain laws consequent on the
Prostitution Act 1992

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

Short title

- 5 1. This Act may be cited as the *Prostitution (Consequential Amendments) Act 1992*.

Commencement

2. (1) Sections 1 and 2 and subsection 8 (1) commence on the day on which this Act is notified in the *Gazette*.
10 (2) The remaining provisions commence on the day on which Part IV of the *Prostitution Act 1992* commences.

Common law offences

3. Any offence at common law relating to prostitution, including keeping a brothel or common bawdy house, ceases to have any force or effect in the Territory.

Crimes Act, 1900—amendment

4. Section 92N of the *Crimes Act, 1900* of the State of New South Wales in its application in the Territory is repealed.

Police Act 1927—amendments

5 5. (1) Section 15 of the *Police Act 1927* is repealed.

(2) Section 17 of the *Police Act 1927* is amended by omitting from paragraph (1) (b) "common prostitute or".

(3) Section 21 of the *Police Act 1927* is amended by omitting from subsection (1) "common prostitute or".

10 *Police Offences Act 1930—amendments*

6. (1) Section 5 of the *Police Offences Act 1930* is amended by omitting the definition of "Brothel".

(2) Sections 18, 19, 19A and 23 of the *Police Offences Act 1930* are repealed.

15 (3) Section 34 of the *Police Offences Act 1930* is amended by omitting "prostitutes or".

Public Health Act 1928—amendment

7. Section 6A of the *Public Health Act 1928* is amended by inserting "or the *Prostitution Act 1991*" after "Act".

20 *Venerable Diseases Act 1956—amendments*

8. (1) Section 1 of the *Venerable Diseases Act 1956* is amended by omitting "Venerable" and substituting "Sexually Transmitted".

25 (2) Section 4 of the *Venerable Diseases Act 1956* is amended by omitting "and lymphogranuloma venereum" from the definition of "sexually transmitted disease" and substituting ", lymphogranuloma venereum and any other prescribed disease".

(3) After section 20 of the *Venerable Diseases Act 1956* the following section is inserted:

Infecting other persons

30 "20A. A person who is infected with a sexually transmitted disease

shall not knowingly pass that infection to another person.

Penalty: \$1,000.”.

5 (4) Section 21 of the *Venereal Diseases Act 1956* is amended by omitting “which are” and substituting “required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed or”.