

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

POLICE OFFENCES ORDINANCE 1961

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 1 of 1961

The purpose of this minute is to recommend the amendment of the Police Offences Ordinance 1930-1959 and the Court of Petty Sessions Ordinance 1930-1958, in order to facilitate suppression of disturbing noises in the Australian Capital Territory. The amendment of the Police Offences Ordinance 1930-1959 by the Police Offences Ordinance 1961 will make participation in the creation of such noises in public places or on licensed premises an offence punishable in summary proceedings. The amendment of the Court of Petty Sessions Ordinance will give the Court of Petty Sessions the same kind of jurisdiction in respect of civil actions for nuisance caused by noise as is at present possessed by the Supreme Court, and will make failure to comply with an order of the Court of Petty Sessions directing the abatement of a nuisance an offence punishable in summary proceedings.