

## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 74 of 2000

# AN ACT

to amend the Misuse of Drugs Act

[Assented to 14 December 2000] [Second reading 17 October 2000]

#### The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs Amendment Act 2000.

#### 2. Penalty guidelines

Section 37 of the Misuse of Drugs Act is amended -

- (a) by inserting after the definition of "aggravating circumstances" in subsection (1) the following:
  - " 'commercial gain', in relation to supplying dangerous drugs, means to supply the dangerous drugs for fee, reward or consideration or in expectation of a fee, reward or consideration;"; and
- (b) by adding at the end the following:

"(6) In sentencing a person for an offence against section 7, 8 or 9, the court is to presume that -

(a) if the amount of the dangerous drugs to which the offence relates is a traffickable quantity – the person intended to supply the dangerous drugs; and

- (b) if the amount of the dangerous drugs to which the offence relates is a commercial quantity – the person intended to supply the dangerous drugs for commercial gain.
- "(7) Subsection (6) applies unless the contrary is proved.".

### 3. Schedule 2

Schedule 2 to the Misuse of Drugs Act is amended -

(a) by inserting after the reference to "Hydroxypethidine" the following:

"4-Hydroxybutanoic acid 2.00g 100.00g"; and

(b) by inserting before the reference to "Ketobemidone" the following:

"Ketamine

0.002g 0.10g".