

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 4 of 1998

AN ACT

to amend the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act

[Assented to 25 March 1998]

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory of Australia, with the assent as provided by the *Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act* 1978 of the Commonwealth, as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Amendment Act 1998.

2. PARKS AND RESERVES ESTABLISHED BY ADMINISTRATOR

Section 12 of the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act is amended —

- (a) by omitting subsection (1)(a) and substituting the following:
- "(a) by notice in the Gazette, declare an area of land to be a park or reserve, whether or not a person, other than the Territory, holds a right, title or interest, including —
 - (i) a right, title or interest (including a lease) held by the Corporation; and

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(ii) any native title rights and interests within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* 1993 of the Commonwealth,

in respect of the land or a part of the land (including any subsoil);

- (aa) by the same notice in the Gazette, declare that, notwithstanding subsection (7), a right, title or interest held by the Territory in respect of the land, or a part of the land, (including any subsoil) within the park or reserve does not, on the declaration of the park or reserve, vest in the Corporation; and";
- (b) by inserting after subsection (1) the following:
- "(1A) Notwithstanding the declaration under subsection (1) of an area of land to be a park or reserve, nothing in this Act is to be taken to affect or derogate from a right, title or interest, including any native title rights and interests within the meaning of the Native Title Act 1993 of the Commonwealth, held by a person other than the Territory or the Corporation in respect of the land or a part of the land (including any subsoil)."; and
 - (c) by omitting from subsection (7) "Upon" and substituting "Except where a declaration is made under subsection (1)(aa) in relation to land, on".