

Act No. 25 of 2002

AN ACT

to amend the Criminal Code

[Assented to 5 July 2002] [Second reading 16 May 2002]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Criminal Code Amendment (Witness Intimidation) Act 2002.

2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation on the date fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

3. New section

The Criminal Code is amended by inserting after section 103 the following:

"103A. Intimidation of witnesses

- "(1) Any person who –
- (a) menaces or intimidates another person;
- (b) threatens to do any injury or cause any detriment of any kind to another person; or

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(c) does any injury or causes any detriment of any kind to another person,

because that other person has appeared, or has been called or may be called to appear, as a witness in any judicial proceeding is guilty of a crime and is liable to imprisonment for 7 years.

- "(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c), a person may cause detriment to another person
 - (a) by menacing or intimidating a third person;
 - (b) by threatening to do any injury or cause any detriment of any kind to a third person; or
 - (c) by doing any injury or causing any detriment of any kind to a third person.".