

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 1 of 1987

AN ACT

to amend the Building Act

[Assented to on 27 May, 1987]

B^E 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 Building Amendment Act 1987.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

The *Building Act* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

3. EVIDENCE

Section 47 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (d) the following:

"(da) a certificate signed by the Building Controller certifying that a person named in the certificate was on a specified date convicted of a specified offence under this Act is evidence of that fact;".

4. OFFENCES GENERALLY

Section 49(2) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting all words after "this section," and substituting the following:

- "is punishable on conviction -
 - (a) in the case of a first offence by a fine of \$5,000 or imprisonment for 12 months; and

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(b) in the case of a second or subsequent offence by a fine of \$10,000 or imprisonment for 2 years.".

5. CONTINUING OFFENCES

Section 50 of the Principal Act is amended by omitting all words after "further offence" and substituting the following:

"is punishable -

- (a) in the case where the original conviction was for a first offence - by a penalty of \$50; and
- (b) in the case where the original conviction was for a second or subsequent offence - by a penalty of \$200,

for each day during which the offence continues.".

6. OFFENCE BY BODY CORPORATE

Section 51 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (1) the following:

"(1A) Where an officer of a body corporate is, by virtue of this section, guilty of an offence and he was at any time before being convicted of that offence convicted of the same or a similar offence in respect of his action or omission as an officer of another body corporate, the offence by the first mentioned body corporate as a result of which the officer is found guilty shall, for the purposes of sections 49 and 50, be deemed to be a second or subsequent offence, as the case may be, by that body corporate.".