



NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 18 of 1983

AN ACT

To amend the *Police Administration Act*

[Assented to 24 June 1983]

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 *Police Administration Amendment Act (No. 2) 1983*.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

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

3. COMMISSIONER MAY APPOINT OR PROMOTE MEMBERS

Section 16 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after sub-section (1) the following:

"(1A) A person appointed under sub-section (1)(a) shall, subject to section 16A, be on probation for a period of 12 months commencing on the date on which the person commences duties in pursuance of his appointment."

4. NEW SECTION

The Principal Act is amended by inserting after section 16 the following:

"16A. MEMBERS ON PROBATION

"(1) A person appointed on probation remains a probationer until his appointment is confirmed or terminated in accordance with this section.

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"(2) On the expiration of the period of 12 months probation, or as soon as practicable thereafter, the Commissioner shall -

- (a) confirm the appointment;
- (b) terminate the appointment; or
- (c) direct that the person continue on probation for a further period not exceeding 6 months as the Commissioner directs.

"(3) The Commissioner may, at any time during a period of probation, if he is of the opinion that the person on probation -

- (a) has misconducted himself; or
- (b) is unlikely to become an efficient member of the Police Force,

terminate the appointment."

5. POLICE AIDES

Section 19 of the Principal Act is amended -

- (a) by omitting sub-section (1)(a) and substituting the following:

"(a) appoint a person to be a member of the Police Force as a Police aide; and";

- (b) by omitting sub-sections (3) and (4) and substituting the following:

"(3) A Police aide shall, subject to the terms and conditions specified in the instrument of his appointment, have the same powers, privileges, duties and obligations as a member of the Police Force appointed under this Act."

6. APPLICATION OF SECTION 4

(1) Section 4 applies to each person appointed under section 16(1)(a) in respect of whom a period of 12 months has not elapsed since the date of his appointment and the commencement of this Act.

(2) The period that has elapsed since the date of appointment of a person under section 16(1)(a), being less than 12 months prior to the commencement of this Act, shall be deemed to be that period of probation under this Act, and until section 16A(2) has been complied with the person shall be a person on probation.