THE NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. 93 of 1979

AN ACT

To amend the <u>Criminal Law</u> and Procedure Act

[Assented to 10 August 1979]

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. This Act may be cited as the <u>Criminal Law and</u> Procedure Act 1979.

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2. The <u>Criminal Law and Procedure Act</u> is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

Principal Act

3. Section 19 of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:

Penalties

"(4) A provision in an Act or in an instrument of a legislative or administrative character which confers a discretion to impose a monetary fine or a period of imprisonment as the penalty for the contravention or failure to comply with a provision of an Act or an instrument of a legislative or administrative character shall be read as meaning that a person who contravened or failed to comply with such provision may, on conviction, be fined, imprisoned or fined and imprisoned, in accordance with the penalty specified for the contravention or failure to comply with that provision.".