

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

LIQUOR LEGISLATION FURTHER AMENDMENT ACT 2024

Act No. 19 of 2024

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An Act to amend the *Liquor Act 2019*, the *Liquor Regulations 2019*, the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Act 2017* and the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Regulations 2017*

[Assented to 1 November 2024]
[Introduced 16 October 2024]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

Part 1 Preliminary matters

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Liquor Legislation Further Amendment Act 2024*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day after the day on which the Administrator's assent to this Act is declared.

Part 2 Amendment of Liquor Act 2019

3 Act amended

This Part amends the *Liquor Act 2019*.

4 Section 171A inserted

After section 171, in Part 8, Division 2

insert

171A Offence relating to consumption of liquor in prohibited public places

- (1) A person commits an offence of strict liability if the person:
- (a) consumes liquor in a public place, or in a vehicle in a public place, in a location referred to in section 171(1); and
 - (b) engages in conduct that causes a nuisance to other people in, or within the vicinity of, a public place.

Maximum penalty: 5 penalty units.

- (2) It is a defence to a prosecution for an offence against subsection (1) if the defendant establishes that the owner or occupier of the public place gave permission under section 200 for the defendant to consume liquor in the public place.

Part 3 Amendment of Liquor Regulations 2019**5 Regulations amended**

This Part amends the *Liquor Regulations 2019*.

6 Regulation 119 inserted

After regulation 118, in Part 7, Division 2

insert

119 Infringement notices for offences relating to interim alcohol protected areas

- (1) An offence against section 170B(1) of the Act is taken to be an infringement notice offence for these Regulations.
- (2) The prescribed amount for the infringement notice offence specified in subregulation (1) is 2 penalty units.
- (3) For regulation 114, section 170B(1) of the Act is taken to be specified in Schedule 6, Part 1.
- (4) This regulation is repealed immediately after the repeal of section 170B of the Act by section 170D of the Act.

7 Schedule 6 amended (Infringement notice offences and prescribed amounts)

Schedule 6, Part 1

insert (in numerical order)

section 171A(1)

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Part 4 Amendment of Alcohol Harm Reduction Act 2017**8 Act amended**

This Part amends the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Act 2017*.

9 Section 4 amended (Definitions)

- (1) Section 4, definition ***alcohol-related infringement notice***, paragraph (a), after "144(2),"

insert

171A(1),

- (2) Section 4, definition ***alcohol-related infringement notice***, paragraph (c)

omit

alcohol.

insert

alcohol;

- (3) Section 4, definition ***alcohol-related infringement notice***, after paragraph (c)

insert

(d) a provision prescribed by regulation.

Part 5 Amendment of Alcohol Harm Reduction Regulations 2017

10 Regulations amended

This Part amends the *Alcohol Harm Reduction Regulations 2017*.

11 Regulation 4 inserted

After regulation 3

insert

4 Prescribed provision

- (1) For section 4 of the Act, definition ***alcohol-related infringement notice***, paragraph (d), section 170B(1) of the *Liquor Act 2019* is prescribed.
- (2) This regulation is repealed immediately after the repeal of section 170B of the *Liquor Act 2019* by section 170D of that Act.

Part 6 Repeal of Act

12 Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the day after it commences.