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BAIL AMENDMENT ACT 2026

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An Act to amend the *Bail Act 1982*

[Assented to 31 March 2026]
[Introduced 5 February 2026]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Bail Amendment Act 2026*.

2 Commencement

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

3 Act amended

This Act amends the *Bail Act 1982*.

4 Section 3 amended (Interpretation)

(1) Section 3(1), definition ***court***, paragraph (c)

omit

(2) Section 3(1), definition ***court***, at the end

insert

*Note for definition ***court****

See also section 3AA.

5 Section 3AA inserted

After section 3

insert

3AA References to Local Court, judges or registrars

(1) In this Act, unless specified otherwise:

- (a) a reference to the Local Court includes a reference to the Youth Justice Court; and
- (b) a reference to a Local Court Judge includes a reference to a Judge of the Youth Justice Court; and
- (c) a reference to a registrar of the Local Court includes a Registrar of the Youth Justice Court.

(2) In this section:

Youth Justice Court means the court continued in existence by section 45 of the *Youth Justice Act 2005*.

6 Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the day after it commences.