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Juvenile Justice Amendment Bill 2001  
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# NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. of 2001

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[Assented to 2001]  
[Second reading 2001]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Juvenile Justice Amendment Act 2001*.

**2. Commencement**

This Act comes into operation on the date fixed by the Administrator by notice in the *Gazette*.

**3. Discipline**

Section 66 of the *Juvenile Justice Act* is amended –

- (a) by inserting in subsection (1)(d) "subject to subsection (1A)," before "handcuffing"; and
- (b) by inserting after subsection (1) the following:

"(1A) If the superintendent of a detention centre is of the opinion that an emergency situation exists and that a detainee should be temporarily restrained to protect the detainee from self harm or to protect other detainees, staff of the detention centre or visitors to the centre from harm, the superintendent may use

handcuffs or a similar device to restrain the detainee until the superintendent is satisfied the emergency situation no longer exists."

**4. Delegation by superintendent**

Section 67 of the *Juvenile Justice Act* is amended by inserting after subsection (1) the following:

"(1A) A member of the Police Force or a prison officer within the meaning of the *Prisons (Correctional Services) Act*, if called upon by the superintendent of a detention centre to assist in an emergency situation or in preventing an emergency situation from arising, is to be taken to have been delegated the powers of the superintendent necessary to perform the superintendent's functions under section 64(3)(c)."