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Miscellaneous (*Interpretation Act* and *Penalties Act*) Amendment Bill 2000

Mr Burke

**A BILL
for
AN ACT**

to amend the *Interpretation Act* and the *Penalties Act*





NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

No. of 2000

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[Assented to 2000]

[Second reading 2000]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Miscellaneous (Interpretation Act and Penalties Act) Amendment Act 2000*.

2. Commencement

Section 4 is to be taken to have come into operation on the commencement of the *Penalties Act*.

3. Amendment of *Interpretation Act*

The *Interpretation Act* is amended by inserting after section 38F the following:

"38G. Civil penalties

"In an Act, a reference to a civil penalty (however described) being imposed or required to be paid for a contravention of a provision of the Act indicates that the contravention may lead to a penalty being imposed not exceeding the penalty specified in, or prescribed for the purposes of, the provision."

4. Amendment of *Penalties Act*

The *Penalties Act* is amended by adding at the end the following:

"5. Interpretation

"In this Act –

'Act' includes an instrument of legislative or administrative character;

'penalty for an offence' includes an amount that may be paid under an infringement notice instead of the penalty that may otherwise be imposed for the offence."

5. Expiration of Act

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