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## NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

## PAROLE OF PRISONERS AMENDMENT BILL 1997

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# A BILL for AN ACT

to amend the Parole of Prisoners Act

**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. SHORT TITLE

This Act may be cited as the Parole of Prisoners Amendment Act 1997.

2. PRINCIPAL ACT

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The Parole of Prisoners Act is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

3. RELEASE OF OFFENDERS ON PAROLE

Section 5(9)(b) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after "the parole period" the words ", whether or not the parole period has already expired,".

### 4. CANCELLATION OF PAROLE BY COURT

Section 6 of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(3) Where the court cancels a parole order and the parole period in relation to the order has already expired, the parole order is deemed to have been cancelled as from the time immediately before the expiration of the parole period.".

# 5. EFFECT OF PAROLE ORDER ON SENTENCE

Section 14 of the Principal Act is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(3) Where a parole order in relation to a person is, under section 6(3), deemed to have been cancelled as from the time immediately before the expiration of the parole period, subsection (1) has effect as if the parole period had not expired without the parole order being revoked or cancelled.".

### 6. TRANSITIONAL

The amendments effected by this Act apply to a parole order whether or not the parole order was in force or had expired before the commencement of this Act.

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