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A Bill for an Act to amend the Parole of Prisoners Act

# NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

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An Act to amend the *Parole of Prisoners Act* 

[Assented to [ ] 2013] [Second reading [ ] 2013]

## The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

1	Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Parole of Prisoners Amendment Act 2013*.

#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day fixed by the Administrator by *Gazette* notice.

#### 3 Act amended

This Act amends the Parole of Prisoners Act.

#### 4 Section 3B amended

(1) Section 3B(1)

omit

10

insert

18

omit

a police officer

insert

2 police officers

(3) Section 3B(1)(d) and (e)

omit

a person who

insert

2 persons, each of whom

(4) Section 3B(1)(f)

omit

5

insert

10

(5) Section 3B(2)

omit

referred to

insert

mentioned

## 5 Section 3EB replaced

Section 3EB

repeal, insert

### 3EB Constitution of Board for different matters

- (1) For a matter relating to a prisoner who is serving a term of imprisonment for life for the crime of murder, the Board is constituted by:
  - (a) the Chairperson; and
  - (b) the Director of Correctional Services; and
  - (c) 8 other members of the Board nominated by the Chairperson:
    - (i) one of whom must be a member mentioned in section 3B(1)(c); and
    - (ii) one of whom must be a member mentioned in section 3B(1)(d); and
    - (iii) one of whom must be a member mentioned in section 3B(1)(e); and
    - (iv) 5 of whom must be members mentioned in section 3B(1)(f).
- (2) For a matter relating to any other prisoner, the Board is constituted by:
  - (a) the Chairperson; and
  - (b) the Director of Correctional Services; and
  - (c) 4 other members of the Board nominated by the Chairperson:
    - (i) one of whom must be a member mentioned in section 3B(1)(c); and
    - (ii) one of whom must be a member mentioned in section 3B(1)(e); and
    - (iii) 2 of whom must be members mentioned in section 3B(1)(f).
- (3) For any other matter, the Board is constituted by all members of the Board.

### 6 Section 3F amended

(1) Section 3F(3)

omit

at which the Chairperson is present

(2) Section 3F(4)

omit, insert

- (4) At a meeting of the Board, a quorum is constituted by the following members present in person or by proxy appointed under section 3FA:
  - (a) for a matter relating to a prisoner who is serving a term of imprisonment for life for the crime of murder – the Chairperson and 7 other members;
  - (b) for a matter relating to any other prisoner the Chairperson and 3 other members;
  - (c) for any other matter the Chairperson and 9 other members.

#### 7 Section 3FA inserted

After section 3F

insert

## 3FA Appointment of proxy by Director of Correctional Services

- (1) If the Director of Correctional Services is unable to attend a meeting of the Board, the Director may appoint a person (excluding another member of the Board) to attend and vote at the meeting as the Director's proxy.
- (2) The appointment of the proxy must be in writing given to the Chairperson before the meeting.

#### 8 Section 3K amended

Section 3K(2)(c), after "Board"

insert

at which parole cases are to be considered

## 9 Act further amended

The Schedule has effect.

# 10 Expiry of Act

This Act expires on the day after it commences.

# Schedule Act further amended

section 9

Provision	Amendment	
	omit	insert
sections 3C, 3D(3) and 3EA(1)	referred to	mentioned