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A Bill for an Act to amend the Supreme Court Act

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

SUPREME COURT AMENDMENT ACT 2013

Act No. [] of 2013

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[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 Supreme Court 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 Supreme Court Act.

4 Section 86 replaced

Section 86

repeal, insert

86 Rules of Court

(1) The Judges who are not acting or additional Judges, or a majority of those Judges, may make Rules of Court.

- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), Rules of Court may be made:
 - (a) to regulate the practice and procedure to be followed in the Court and in the offices of the Court; and
 - (b) for matters incidental to or relating to any practice and procedure or necessary or convenient for the conduct of any business of the Court in exercising its jurisdiction.
- (3) Rules of Court may be made under subsection (1) in relation to any matter within the jurisdiction of the Court, whether the jurisdiction in relation to the matter is conferred by this Act, another Act, a law of the Commonwealth or otherwise.
- (4) Rules of Court may be made under subsection (1) in relation to a matter even if the power to make rules in relation to the matter is conferred by another Act, a law of the Commonwealth or otherwise.
- (5) In this section:

Court includes the Court of Criminal Appeal.

5 Section 88 inserted

After section 87

insert

Transitional matters for Supreme Court Amendment Act 2013

Any Rules of Court made under section 86 that were in force immediately before the commencement of the *Supreme Court Amendment Act 2013* continue in force as Rules of Court under section 86 as inserted by section 4 of that Act.