

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Read 1<sup>o</sup> 29 April 1980

(Brought from the Legislative Council)

## A BILL

for

An Act to amend Part VIII. of the *Magistrates' Courts Act 1970* and Section 11 of the *Magistrates' Courts (Civil Jurisdiction) Act 1979*.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Victoria in this present Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows (that is to say):

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Magistrates' Courts (Jurisdiction) Act 1980*. Short title.

(2) The *Magistrates' Courts Act 1970* is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act. Principal Act  
No. 8184.  
Reprinted to  
No. 8718 and  
subsequently  
amended by  
Nos. 8731, 8942,  
8998, 9008, 9042,  
9075, 9152, 9154,  
9226 and 9349.

10 (3) This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent. Commence-  
ment.

2. (1) In section 59 of the Principal Act for the words "four years" there shall be substituted the words "five years". Amendment of  
No. 8184  
ss. 59, 69.  
Maximum  
sentences  
increased.

15 (2) In section 69 (1) of the Principal Act for the words "one year" there shall be substituted the words "two years".

Amendment of  
No. 8184 s. 69.  
Summary  
jurisdiction in  
criminal cases.

3. (1) In section 69 (1) of the Principal Act:

- (a) in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (h) and (m) for the expression "\$2,000" (where respectively occurring) there shall be substituted the expression "\$10,000";
- (b) after paragraph (f) there shall be inserted the following paragraph: 5  
 "(fa) with any offence against section 48 of the *Crimes Act 1958*;"
- (c) in paragraph (g)—
  - (i) for the words "the misdemeanour" there shall be substituted the words "any offence"; and 10
  - (ii) the expression "sub-section (1) of" is repealed; and
- (d) in paragraph (j) for the expression "\$1,000" there shall be substituted the expression "\$5,000".

(2) In section 69 (2) of the Principal Act— 15

- (a) the words "of a misdemeanour" are repealed; and
- (b) after the word "paragraph" there shall be inserted the expression "(fa) or paragraph".

Amendment of  
No. 9349 s. 11.

4. In section 11 (2) of the *Magistrates' Courts (Civil Jurisdiction) Act 1979*: 20

- (a) for the word "assessed" there shall be substituted the word "expressed"; and
- (b) for the word "total" there shall be substituted the word "tort".