CRIMES (AIRCRAFT) AMENDMENT ACT 1976 No. 7 of 1977

An Act to amend the Crimes (Aircraft) Act 1963-1973.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen, and the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Crimes (Aircraft) Amendment Act 1976.1
- (2) The Crimes (Aircraft) Act 1963-1973,² as amended by this Act, may be cited as the Crimes (Aircraft) Act 1963-1976.

Commencement.

- 2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.¹
- 3. After section 22 of the Crimes (Aircraft) Act 1963-1973 the following section is inserted:—

Offences against section 18.

- "22A. (1) Subject to this section, a prosecution for an offence against section 18 shall be on indictment.
- "(2) Where the law of a State or Territory makes provision for a person who pleads guilty to a charge in proceedings for his commitment for trial on indictment to be committed to a higher court and dealt with otherwise than on indictment, a person charged in that State or Territory with an offence against section 18 may be dealt with in accordance with that law.
- "(3) Where a person is charged with an offence against section 18, a court of summary jurisdiction may, with the consent of the defendant and of the prosecutor and if the court is satisfied that it is proper to do so, determine the charge summarily.
- "(4) Where, in accordance with sub-section (3), a court of summary jurisdiction convicts a person of an offence against section 18, the penalty that the court may impose is a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding 1 year, or both."

NOTES

- 1. Act No. 7, 1977; assented to 28 February 1977.
- 2. Act No. 64, 1963, as amended. For previous amendments see Act No. 216, 1973 (as amended by No. 20, 1974).