TASMANIA

WITNESS PROTECTION AMENDMENT BILL 2007

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(Brought in by the Minister for Police and Emergency Management, the Honourable David Edward Llewellyn)

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Witness Protection Act 2000

Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Witness Protection Amendment Act 2007.

2. Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

3. Principal Act

In this Act, the Witness Protection Act 2000* is referred to as the Principal Act.

*No. 26 of 2000
4. **Section 26A inserted**

After section 26 of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted:

**26A. Arrangements for Commonwealth identity documents**

(1) The Minister may enter into an arrangement with the Minister responsible for the administration of the *Witness Protection Act 1994* of the Commonwealth about any matter in connection with the issue of Commonwealth identity documents, within the meaning of that Act, for the purposes of the Tasmanian witness protection program.

(2) Without limiting the matters to which an arrangement under subsection (1) may relate, an arrangement may relate to –

   (a) procedures to be adopted for requesting the issue of Commonwealth identity documents for the purposes of the Tasmanian witness protection program; and

   (b) guidelines for the issue of those documents and other documents.