

## CLAUSE NOTES

### Criminal Code Amendment (Interference with War Memorials) Act 2014

- Clause 1:** Short Title
- Clause 2:** Commencement on Royal Assent
- Clause 3:** Principal Act is the *Criminal Code Act 1924*
- Clause 4:** Amends Schedule 1 of the Principal Act to insert a new section 273A. The new section:
- creates a crime of “Interfering with a war memorial”
  - defines “interfere”. There are different definitions depending on whether the interference relates to a “war memorial” or “war memorial area”.
  - defines “multi-purpose building” This phrase is used in the definitions of “war memorial” and “war memorial area”. An example of a “multi-purpose building” is a memorial hall which is both a memorial and is used for general activities, such as dances, meetings and the like.
  - defines “outdoor memorial area”. This includes an area with more than one purpose, such as a memorial which is also a public park.
  - defines “war memorial”

- defines “war memorial area”
- defines “war monument”
- defines “war remembrance”

**Clause 5:** Automatic repeal of the amending Act