CLAUSE NOTES

Sentencing Amendment (Assaults on Off-Duty Police) Bill 2017

Clause I: Short title

Specifies the name of the proposed Act.

Clause 2: Commencement

Specifies that the Act commences on the day it receives the Royal Assent.

Clause 3: Principal Act

Identifies the principal Act that is being amended as the Sentencing Act 1997.

Clause 4: Section 16A amended (Mandatory imprisonment for offence causing serious bodily harm to police officer)

Amends section 16A of the principal Act to extend the mandatory sentencing provision to offences committed against off-duty police officers that result in serious bodily harm, but only where the offence was committed against the off-duty police officer solely or partly because the police officer was a police officer.

Clause 5: Repeal of Act

Repeals this amendment Act 365 days after it commences.