

## CLAUSE NOTES

### *Sentencing Amendment (Assaults on Off-Duty Police) Bill 2018*

**Clause 1: Short title**

Cites the Act as the *Sentencing Amendment (Assaults on Off-duty Police) Act 2018*.

**Clause 2: Commencement**

Clause 2 provides for the Act to commence on the day it receives the Royal Assent.

**Clause 3: Principal Act**

Clause 3 provides that the Principal Act to which the amendments apply is the *Sentencing Act 1997*.

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

Clause 4 amends section 16A of the *Sentencing Act 1997* by extending the provision requiring a mandatory minimum sentence of six months' imprisonment to offenders convicted of an offence committed against police officers who are not on duty, where the offence results in serious bodily harm to the police officer, but only where the offence was committed solely or partly because the police officer was a police officer.

**Clause 5: Repeal of Act**

Clause 5 inserts a repeal provision to remove the empty shell of the Bill after its provisions have come into effect.