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An Act to amend the Offences in Public Places Act 1979 in relation to the offence of having custody of an offensive implement in a public place. [Assented to 16 June 1987]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the "Offences in Public Places (Further Amendment) Act 1987".

Commencement

- 2. (1) Sections 1 and 2 shall commence on the date of assent to this Act.
- (2) Except as provided by subsection (1), this Act shall commence on such day as may be appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

Amendment of Act No. 63, 1979

3. The Offences in Public Places Act 1979 is amended by inserting after section 11 the following section:

Custody of offensive implement in public place

11a. (1) A person shall not, without reasonable excuse (proof of which lies on the person), have in his or her custody an offensive implement in a public place.

Penalty: \$1,000 or imprisonment for 6 months.

(2) If a person is convicted of an offence under this section, the court may, in addition to any penalty it may impose, make an order that the offensive implement be forfeited to the Crown, and the implement is forfeited accordingly.

(3) In this section—

"offensive implement" means-

- (a) anything made or adapted for use for causing injury to a person; or
- (b) anything intended, by the person having custody of the thing, to be used to injure or menace a person or damage property.