

Act 1994 No. 83

**CRIMES (THREATS AND STALKING) AMENDMENT BILL
1994**

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

The object of this Bill is to amend the Crimes Act 1900, so as:

- (a) to make it an offence to send a document containing a threat to inflict bodily harm on any person (in addition to the offence of threatening death); and
- (b) to extend the offence of stalking beyond situations involving domestic relationships; and
- (c) to increase the maximum term of imprisonment that may be imposed for the offence of stalking from 2 years to 5 years.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides that the proposed Act will commence on a day or days to be appointed by the Governor by proclamation published in the Gazette.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the Schedule of amendments.

SCHEDULE 1—AMENDMENTS

Schedule 1 (3) makes the amendment described in paragraph (a) above.

Schedule 1 (6) (a) makes the amendment described in paragraph (b) above.

Schedule 1 (6) (b) makes the amendment described in paragraph (c) above.

Schedule 1 (1), (2), (4) and (5) make consequential amendments.
