

JUSTICES (SENTENCING) AMENDMENT BILL 1988

NEW SOUTH WALES



EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Bill is cognate with the Summary Offences Bill 1988.

The object of this Bill is to amend the Justices Act 1902 to require a sentence of imprisonment for an offence punishable summarily by a Local Court to be imposed only after being satisfied that no other course is appropriate.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides that the proposed Act is to commence on a proclaimed day.

Clause 3 amends the Justices Act 1902 by inserting a new section 80AB directing a Justice or Justices not to impose a sentence of imprisonment without stating that all possible alternatives were considered.
