

[Act 2002 No 5]



New South Wales

# **Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Amendment (Assaults on Aged Persons) Bill 2002**

## **Explanatory note**

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.\*

### **Overview of Bill**

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* so as to increase the maximum penalty that may be imposed for an offence involving assault, or any other offence against the person, in circumstances in which the victim of the offence is of or above the age of 65 years. The amount of the increase will vary from 10 per cent (where the victim is between 65 and 70) to 75 per cent (where the victim is 90 or over).

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\* Amended in committee—see table at end of volume.

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## Outline of provisions

**Clause 1** sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

**Clause 2** provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on the date of assent.

**Clause 3** is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* set out in Schedule 1.

**Schedule 1** amends the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* so as to achieve the object set out in the Overview above.