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A Bill for

An Act to amend legislation about justice and community safety

The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

1	1	Name of Act
2		This Act is the Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Act 2010 (No 3).
4	2	Commencement
5 6	(1)	The following provisions commence on the day after this Act's notification day:
7		(a) section 3;
8		(b) section 4 (1) and (2);
9		(c) schedule 1.
10 11		Note The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence or the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).
12 13	(2)	The remaining provisions commence on the 28th day after this Act's notification day.
14	3	Legislation amended—schs 1–3
15		This Act amends the legislation mentioned in schedules 1 to 3.
16	4	Legislation repealed
17	(1)	The following legislation is repealed:
18		• Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996 (A1996-41)
19		• Consumer Credit (Administration) Regulation 1996
20		(SL1996-25)
21		• Consumer Credit Act 1995 (A1995-18)
22		• Consumer Credit Regulation 1996 (SL1996-24)
23		• Credit Act 1985 (A1985-5)
24		• Credit Regulation 1985 (SL1985-5).

- 1 (2) All other legislative instruments under the Acts mentioned in subsection (1) are repealed.
- 3 (3) The Juries Fees Regulation 1968 (SL1968-3) is repealed.

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1 2 3	(see s 3)	uie 1	of consumer credit legislation
4	Part 1.	1	Civil Law (Property) Act 2006
5	[1.1]	Section 5 (3)	
6		omit	
7	Part 1.	2	Commercial Arbitration Act 1986
8	[1.2]	Section 4 (4)	
9		omit	
10	Part 1.	3	Door-to-Door Trading Act 1991
11	[1.3]	Section 15 (2)
12		substitute	
13 14 15	(2)	Code in its a	does not affect the operation of the National Credit pplication to a contract that is a tied loan contract aning of that code.
16	[1.4]	Dictionary, I	note 2
17		insert	

National Credit Code

Part 1.4 Fair Trading Act 1992

2	[1.5]	Section 28A (5), definition of <i>continuing credit contract</i> and notes
4		substitute
5 6		<i>continuing credit contract</i> —see the National Credit Code, section 204 (1).
7 8 9 10 11		Note The National Credit Code, s 204 (1) defines a continuing credit contract as a credit contract under which: (a) multiple advances of credit are contemplated; and (b) the amount of available credit ordinarily increases as the amount of credit is reduced.
12	[1.6]	Section 51C
13		substitute
14	51C	Definitions—pt 4A
15		In this part:
16		annual percentage rate—see the code, section 204 (1).
17		contract document—see the code, section 204 (1).
18		<i>credit</i> —see the code, section 204 (1).
19		credit contract—see the code, section 204 (1).
20		credit fees and charges—see the code, section 204 (1).
21	[1.7]	Section 51D (3)
22		omit
23		division 2
24		substitute
25		division 3

Amendment [1.8]

1	[1.8]	Section 51E (1)
2		omit
3		section 15 (C)
4		substitute
5		section 17 (4)
6	[1.9]	Section 51E (2)
7		omit
8		section 15 (E)
9		substitute
10		section 17 (6)
11	[1.10]	Section 51E (3)
12		omit
13		section 14
14		substitute
15		section 16
16	[1.11]	Section 51E (4)
17		omit
18		section 14 or section 15
19		substitute
20		section 16 or section 17
21	[1.12]	Dictionary, note 2
22		omit
23		Consumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Code

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Dictionary, note 2
insert
National Credit Code
Dictionary, definition of code
substitute
code means the National Credit Code.
.5 Fair Trading (Consumer Affairs) Act 1973
Section 8 (2), definition of <i>consumer and trader</i> legislation, paragraph (a)
omit
Section 10 (1)
omit
or the Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996
Section 11
omit

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Schedule 3 **Consumer credit transitional**

4		provisions
5	3.1	Definitions—sch 3
6		In this schedule:
7		ASIC means the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.
8		national credit legislation means—
9 10		(a) the National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009 (Cwlth); and
11 12		(b) the National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2009 (Cwlth).
13		repealed credit legislation means—
14		(a) the Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996; and
15		(b) the Consumer Credit (Administration) Regulation 1996; and
16		(c) the Consumer Credit Act 1995; and
17		(d) the Consumer Credit Regulation 1996; and
18		(e) the Credit Act 1985; and
19		(f) the Credit Regulation 1985.
20	3.2	Transitional—financial counselling trust fund

(1) The financial counselling trust fund established under the *Consumer* Credit (Administration) Act 1996, section 124 (the trust fund) continues in existence as if the repealed credit legislation had not been repealed.

1 2 3	(2)	Amounts payable under the repealed credit legislation continue to be payable to the trust fund as if the repealed credit legislation had not been repealed.
4 3.3 5		Transitional—provision of information and assistance to ASIC
6 7	(1)	The commissioner may, on his or her own initiative or at the request of ASIC—
8 9 10 11		(a) provide ASIC with the documents and other information in the possession or control of the commissioner that are reasonably required by ASIC in connection with the exercise of its functions under the national credit legislation; and
12 13 14		(b) provide ASIC with other assistance that is reasonably required by ASIC to exercise a function under the national credit legislation.
15	(2)	This section applies despite any other territory law.
16 3.4		Transitional—ASIC has particular functions
17 18 19 20 21	(1)	The Minister, or a person authorised in writing by the Minister, may enter into an agreement or arrangement with ASIC for the exercise of functions by ASIC as an agent of the Territory, even if those functions are or may be conferred on another person under a territory law.
22 23 24	(2)	An agreement or arrangement of a kind mentioned in subsection (1) has effect despite any other territory law in relation to a function that is the subject of the agreement or arrangement.
25 26 27 28		Note The National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2009 (Cwlth), sch 1, pt 4, item 23 provides that ASIC has functions and powers in relation to appeal, review or enforcement proceedings that are expressed to be conferred on it by a law of a State or territory.

1	3.5		Transitional—reference to repealed legislation
2 3 4		(1)	To the extent permitted or required by the context or subject matter, a reference in another territory law to any of the repealed consumer credit legislation is a reference to the national credit legislation.
5		(2)	In this section:
6			repealed consumer credit legislation means—
7			(a) the Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996; and
8			(b) the Consumer Credit (Administration) Regulation 1996; and
9			(c) the Consumer Credit Act 1995; and
10			(d) the Consumer Credit Regulation 1996.
11	3.6		Transitional—pre-credit code contracts
12 13		(1)	The repealed credit legislation continues to apply to pre-credit code contracts as if the repealed credit legislation had not been repealed.
14		(2)	In this section:
15 16 17			<i>pre-credit code contract</i> means a contract to which the repealed pre-credit code legislation applied immediately before the repeal of that legislation.
18			repealed pre-credit code legislation means—
19			(a) the Credit Act 1985; and
20			(b) the Credit Regulation 1985.
21	3.7		Transitional—finance broking commissions
22 23		(1)	The repealed finance broking provisions continue to apply as if the repealed credit legislation had not been repealed.
24		(2)	This section expires on the Chapter 3 start day.

1		(3)	In this section:
2 3 4			Chapter 3 start day has the same meaning as in the National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2009 (Cwlth), section 4.
5			repealed finance broking provisions means—
6 7			(a) the Consumer Credit (Administration) Act 1996, section 35; and
8 9			(b) the Consumer Credit (Administration) Regulation 1996, section 4.
10	3.8		Transitional—regulations
11 12 13		(1)	A regulation may prescribe transitional matters necessary or convenient to be prescribed because of the repeal of the repealed credit legislation.
14 15 16 17		(2)	A regulation may modify this schedule (including in relation to another territory law) to make provision in relation to anything that, in the Executive's opinion, is not, or is not adequately or appropriately, dealt with in this schedule.
18 19		(3)	A regulation under subsection (2) has effect despite anything elsewhere in this Act.
20	3.9		Expiry—sch 3
21		(1)	This schedule expires on 1 July 2013.
22 23		(2)	This schedule is a law to which the Legislation Act, section 88 (Repeal does not end effect of transitional laws etc) applies.
24	[1.19)]	Dictionary, note 2
25			insert
26			• territory law

Part 1	.6 Fair Trading (Consumer Product Standards) Regulation 2009
[1.20]	Section 8 (a)
	omit
	Consumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Code
	substitute
	National Credit Code
[1.21]	Dictionary, note 2
	omit
	Consumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Code
[1.22]	Dictionary, note 2
	insertNational Credit Code
Part 1	.7 Firearms Act 1996
[1.23]	Section 13 (2), definition of credit contract
	substitute
	credit—see the National Credit Code, section 204 (1).
	<i>credit contract</i> means a contract under which credit is or may be provided.
[1.24]	Dictionary, note 2
	insert
	National Credit Code

Part 1.8 Legislation Act 2001

[1.25]	Dictionary, part 1
	omit the definitions of
	Consumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Code
	Consumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Regulations
[1.26]	Dictionary, part 1, new definition of National Credit Code
	insert
	National Credit Code—see the National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009 (Cwlth), section 5.
Part 1.	9 Payroll Tax Act 1987
[1.27]	Section 4 (8), definition of credit contract
	substitute
	<i>credit contract</i> —see the National Credit Code, section 204 (1).
[1.28]	Section 4 (8), definition of regulated contract
	omit
[1.29]	Section 4 (8), definition of supply
	omit
	or regulated contract
[1.30]	Dictionary, note 2
	omitConsumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Code
	Consumer Credit (Australian Capital Territory) Code

[1.31]	Dictionary, note 2
	insert
	National Credit Code
Part 1	Sale of Motor Vehicles Act 1977
[1.32]	Section 25B (6)
	substitute
(6)	The National Credit Code, section 135 does not apply to the termination of agreements under this section.
[1.33]	Dictionary, note 2
	insert
	National Credit Code
Part 1	.11 Second-hand Dealers
	Regulation 2002
[1.34]	Dictionary, definition of <i>financial institution</i> , paragraph (b)
	substitute
	(b) a credit provider, registered or licensed under the <i>National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009</i> (Cwlth) or a corresponding law of an external Territory or New Zealand, that carries on the business of providing home loans.

Sche	dule 2 Amendments relating to Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991	Evidence (Miscellaneous	
Part 2	2.1 Children and Young People <i>A</i> 2008	lct	
[2.1]	Section 335 (1) (a) and (b)		
	substitute		
	(a) section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take eviden submissions from participating States);	ce and	
	(b) section 32 (1) (Territory courts may take eviden submissions from place other than participating State).	ce and	
Part 2	2.2 Commercial Arbitration Act 1	986	
[2.2]	Section 20A (1)		
	omit		
	section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and subn from outside ACT) or section 32 (1) (Use of link in proceeding		
	substitute		
	section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and subm from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory cour take evidence and submissions from place other than partic	ts may	

Part 2.3 Coroners Act 1997

2	[2.3]	Section 42A (1)
3		omit
4 5		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from outside ACT) or section 32 (1) (Use of link in proceedings)
6		substitute
7 8 9 10		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from place other than participating State)
11 12	Part 2	.4 Corrections Management Act 2007
13	[2.4]	Section 203 (1) (a) and (b)
14		substitute
15 16		(a) section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from participating States);
17 18		(b) section 32 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from place other than participating State).

1	Part 2	.5	Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2000
3	[2.5]	Section 38	3 (2) (a), note 2
4		substitute	
5 6 7 8 9		Note 2	The Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991, pt 3 applies in relation to the taking of evidence and making of submissions by audiovisual link or audio link from a State. See also the Magistrates Court Act 1930, s 311 (Appearance by audiovisual or audio links etc).
10 11	Part 2	.6	Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005
12	[2.6]	Section 20	07 (1)
13		omit	
14 15			(Territory courts may take evidence and submissions e ACT) or section 32 (Use of link in proceedings)
16		substitute	
17 18 19 20		from partic	1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions pating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may ce and submissions from place other than participating

Part 2.7 Domestic Violence and 1 **Protection Orders Regulation** 2 2009 3 [2.7] Section 36 4 substitute 5 36 Evidence from place outside court 6 If the Magistrates Court has given a direction under the Evidence 7 (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991, section 20 (1) (Territory 8 courts may take evidence and submissions from participating States) 9 or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and 10 submissions from place other than participating State), in relation to 11 a person who is required to give evidence under a subpoena, the 12 person satisfies the requirement by appearing and giving evidence in 13 accordance with the direction. 14 [2.8] **Section 56 (3)** 15 16 omit section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions 17 from outside ACT) or section 32 (1) (Use of link in proceedings) 18 substitute 19 section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions 20 from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may 21 take evidence and submissions from place other than participating 22 State) 23

Evidence (Miscellaneous

Provisions) Act 1991

Part 2.8

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Section 20 heading

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[2.9]	Section 18	
	substitute	
18	Operation of	other Acts
(1)	territory law t	ot intended to exclude or limit the operation of any hat makes provision for the taking of evidence or abmission in an external place for a proceeding in the
(2)	In this section:	
	-	means a place within or outside the ACT but within is outside the courtroom or other place where the
[2.10]	Division 3.2	heading
	substitute	
Divisior	າ 3.2	Use of audiovisual links or audio links with participating States in ACT proceedings
	(2) [2.10]	substitute 18 Operation of (1) This part is not territory law to making of a surplication: (2) In this section: external place Australia that court is sitting. [2.10] Division 3.2

Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from

1	[2.12]	Divi	sion 3.4
2			subs	titute
3	Divi	sion	3.4	
4				with places other than participating
5				States in ACT proceedings
6	31		Арр	lication—div 3.4
7			This	division applies to any proceeding before a territory court.
8 9	32			itory courts may take evidence and submissions from e other than participating State
10 11 12 13 14			appli initia proc	ect to any Act or rules of court, a territory court may, on the ication of a party to a proceeding before it or on its own ative, direct that a person, whether or not a party to the eeding, appear before, or give evidence or make a submission he court by audiovisual link or audio link from—
15 16			(a)	a place in the ACT that is outside the courtroom or other place where the court is sitting; or
17 18			(b)	a place outside the ACT but within Australia (other than a participating State).
19 20 21 22 23			Note	The <i>Evidence and Procedure (New Zealand) Act 1994</i> (Cwlth), pt 4 (Use of video links or telephones in Australian proceedings) and the <i>Court Procedures Rules 2006</i> , div 6.10.7 (Taking evidence from New Zealand by video link or telephone) apply to the taking of evidence and submissions by audiovisual links or audio links from New Zealand.
24		(2)	The	court may make the direction only if satisfied that—
25 26			(a)	the necessary facilities are available or can reasonably be made available; and
27 28			(b)	the evidence or submission can more conveniently be given or made from the place; and

1 2		(c) the making of the direction is not unfair to any party opposing the making of the direction.
3 4 5	(3)	The court may at any time amend or revoke a direction made under this division, either on the application of a party to the proceeding or its own initiative.
6 7	(4)	While a person is at a place giving evidence or making a submission, the place is taken for all purposes to be part of the court.
8	[2.13]	Section 36
9		omit
10 11		section 20 (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from outside ACT) or section 32 (Use of link in proceedings)
12		substitute
13 14 15 16		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from place other than participating State)
10		<i>'</i>
17	[2.14]	Section 82 (4)
18		omit
19		Subsections (1) and (2)
20		substitute
21		Subsections (2) and (3)

Part 2.9 Judicial Commissions Act 1994

2	[2.15]	Section 43A (1)
3		omit
4		section 18 (1) or section 30 (1)
5		substitute
6		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions
7		from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may
8		take evidence and submissions from place other than participating
9		State)

Part 2.10 Magistrates Court Act 1930

11	[2.16]	Section 72B (1)
12		omit
13		section 20 (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions
14		from outside ACT) or section 32 (1) (Use of link in proceedings)
15		substitute
16		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions
17		from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may
18		take evidence and submissions from place other than participating
19		State)

1	[2.17]	Section 311 (1) (a)
2		omit
3 4		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from outside ACT)
5		substitute
6 7 8 9		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions from place other than participating State)
10	[2.18]	Section 316 (2) (a)
10 11	[2.18]	Section 316 (2) (a) omit
	[2.18]	. , . ,
11	[2.18]	omit section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions

Part 2.11 Royal Commissions Act 1991

2	[2.19]	Section 34A (1)
3		omit
4		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions
5		from outside ACT) or section 32 (1) (Use of link in proceedings)
6		substitute
7		section 20 (1) (Territory courts may take evidence and submissions
8		from participating States) or section 32 (1) (Territory courts may
9		take evidence and submissions from place other than participating
0		State)

Schedule 3	Other amendments
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Part 3.1 Juries Act 1967

[3.1] Section 51

substitute

51 Payment of jurors

- (1) A person summoned or appointed to attend the Supreme Court to serve as a juror is entitled to be paid the amount determined by the Minister for the person's attendance at the court in accordance with the summons or appointment, whether or not the person serves as a juror.
- (2) A determination is a disallowable instrument.

Note A disallowable instrument must be notified, and presented to the Legislative Assembly, under the Legislation Act.

Part 3.2 Supreme Court Act 1933

16 [3.2] Section 68C (2) and (3)

substitute

- (2) The judgment in criminal proceedings tried by a judge alone must include the principles of law applied by the judge and the findings of fact on which the judge relied.
- (3) In criminal proceedings tried by a judge alone, if a territory law requires a warning or direction to be given, or a comment to be made, to a jury in the proceedings, the judge must take the warning, direction or comment into account in considering his or her verdict.

Schedule 3 Part 3.2 Other amendments Supreme Court Act 1933

Amendment [3.2]

(4) In this section:

territory law includes the Evidence Act 1995 (Cwlth).

Endnotes

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1 Presentation speech

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 2010.

2 Notification

Notified under the Legislation Act on 2010.

3 Republications of amended laws

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