



ANNO VICESIMO PRIMO

**ELIZABETHAE II REGINAE**

A.D. 1972

\*\*\*\*\*

**No. 127 of 1972**

An Act to amend the Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs Act, 1934-1970.

[Assented to 30th November, 1972]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

Short titles.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs Act Amendment Act, 1972".

(2) The Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs Act, 1934-1970, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs Act, 1934-1972".

(3) The Narcotic and Psychotropic Drugs Act, 1934-1970, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

Commencement.

2. This Act shall come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

Amendment of principal Act, s. 14—  
Proceedings.

3. Section 14 of the principal Act is amended by striking out subsection (7) and inserting in lieu thereof the following subsections:—

(7) An apparently genuine certificate purporting to be under the hand of an analyst appointed under the Food and Drugs Act shall be admissible in any legal proceedings and any statement in the certificate—

- (a) that the person by whom the certificate was given is an analyst appointed under the Food and Drugs Act and that he holds specified professional qualifications;
  - (b) that a drug or other substance was submitted to him for analysis;
  - (c) as to any matters identifying or tending to identify the drug or substance submitted to him for analysis;
- or
- (d) as to the nature and results of any analysis to which he submitted the drug or substance,

shall be accepted as proof of the matter stated in the absence of proof to the contrary.

(7a) An apparently genuine certificate purporting to be under the hand of a person who holds prescribed qualifications shall be admissible in any legal proceedings and any statement in the certificate—

- (a) that the certificate was given by a person who holds prescribed qualifications;
  - (b) that a plant, or part thereof, was submitted to him for the purpose of ascertaining the *genus* thereof;
  - (c) as to any matters identifying or tending to identify the plant, or part thereof, that was submitted to him for that purpose;
- or
- (d) as to the *genus* of the plant, or the plant from which the part submitted to him was derived,

shall be accepted as proof of the matter stated in the absence of proof to the contrary.

4. Section 14a of the principal Act is repealed.

Repeal of  
s. 14a of  
principal Act.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

M. L. OLIPHANT, Governor