



CORONERS AMENDMENT ACT 1982

No. 22 of 1982

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AN ACT to amend the Coroners Act 1957 for the purpose of requiring the notification of certain deaths to a coroner and for related purposes.

[Royal Assent 24 August 1982]

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:—

1—This Act may be cited as the *Coroners Amendment Act* Short title. 1982.

Principal Act. **2**—In this Act, the *Coroners Act 1957** is referred to as the Principal Act.

Amendment of section 7 of Principal Act (Jurisdiction). **3**—Section 7 (1) (a) of the Principal Act is amended as follows:—

(a) by omitting from subparagraph (i) “death; or” and substituting “death;”;

(b) by omitting from subparagraph (ii) “unknown;” and substituting “unknown; or”;

(c) by inserting the following subparagraph after subparagraph (ii):—

(iii) as a result of the condition known as “sudden infant death syndrome” or “cot death”;

Amendment of section 47 of Principal Act (Notice of inquirable deaths).

4—(1) Section 47 of the Principal Act is amended by inserting the following subsection after subsection (1):—

(1A) Without affecting the generality of subsection (1), where a medical practitioner or other person has reason to suspect that an infant has died as a result of the condition known as “sudden infant death syndrome” or “cot death”, that medical practitioner or other person shall immediately give notice of the death to a coroner, justice, or police officer unless that medical practitioner or other person is reasonably satisfied that the death has been or will be so notified by another person.

Penalty: \$20.

(2) Section 47 (2) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting after “subsection (1)” “or (1A)”.

* No. 1 of 1957. For this Act, as amended to 1st March 1979, see the continuing Reprint of Statutes.