



POLICE OFFENCES AMENDMENT ACT (No. 2) 1981

No. 86 of 1981

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AN ACT to amend the Police Offences Act 1935 to make further provision with respect to the power of police officers to arrest persons who fail to leave the reserved area of sports grounds in certain circumstances.

[Royal Assent 17 December 1981]

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 *Police Offences Amendment Act (No. 2) 1981*. Short title.

2—This Act shall commence on the twenty-eighth day after the date on which it receives the Royal Assent. Commencement.

Amendment of
section 19A of
*Police Offences
Act 1935*
(Sports
grounds).

3—Section 19A of the *Police Offences Act 1935** is amended as follows:—

- (a) by omitting from subsection (1) “ \$10 ” and substituting “ \$40, or 3 months’ imprisonment ”;
- (b) by inserting after subsection (1) the following subsections:—

(1A) Subject to subsection (1B), a police officer may arrest without warrant any person who fails to leave the reserved area of a sports ground—

- (a) where a sport is being played or a game is being conducted;
- (b) where a sport is to be played or a game is to be conducted; or
- (c) where a sport has been played or a game has been conducted,

when requested to do so by that police officer.

(1B) A police officer shall not exercise the power of arrest referred to in subsection (1) unless he reasonably believes—

- (a) that the sport being played, or the game being conducted, on the reserved area of the sports ground is or will be interrupted or the use of that area by persons participating or having participated in the sport or game is or will be interfered with or affected; or
- (b) that the commencement of the sport to be played, or the game to be conducted, on that area will be delayed.

* 26 Geo. V No. 44. For this Act, as amended to 1st October 1977, see the continuing Reprint of Statutes. Subsequently amended by No. 117 of 1976 and by No. 87 of 1981.