



TASMANIAN MUSEUM

No. 115 of 1974

ANALYSIS

1. Short title and citation.
2. Vesting of certain human remains in the Crown.

AN ACT to amend the Tasmanian Museum Act 1950.

[24 January 1975]

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—(1) This Act may be cited as the *Tasmanian Museum Act* Short title and citation.
1974.

(2) The *Tasmanian Museum Act* 1950, as subsequently amended, is in this Act referred to as the Principal Act.

2 After section 5 of the Principal Act the following section is inserted:—

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the Crown.

“5A—(1) On the commencement of the *Tasmanian Museum Act* 1974, the remains of Truganini, the last full-blooded Tasmanian aboriginal woman who lived in this State (in this section referred to as ‘the remains’) that are in the possession of the trustees shall be vested in, and become the property of, the Crown.

“(2) The Minister may serve notice on the trustees requiring them to deliver the remains to him, or to such other person as may be named in the notice, in accordance with the terms of the notice, and the trustees shall, on being so served, forthwith comply with the notice.

“(3) When the remains are delivered to the Minister or to another person pursuant to the notice prescribed by subsection (2), the Minister shall cause them to be decently interred.

“(4) No action, claim, suit, or demand shall lie or be allowed by or in favour of any person against the trustees or against any officer, servant, or agent of the trustees in respect of any obligation or liability for or in relation to, or arising or alleged to have arisen in connection with, the possession by the trustees of the remains or for or in relation to anything done to or in respect of those remains by the trustees or by any officer, servant, or agent of the trustees during the period that those remains were in the possession of the trustees.”.