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Letter

Dear Editor,

I refer to the article *Power without Accountability* written by Greg Connellan, published in the October edition (Vol. 19, No.5) of your journal.

On page 204, the author discusses recent amendments to the *Crimes Act 1958*, which give members of the Victoria Police power to request a person's name and address in certain circumstances. Section 456A has been quoted as the relevant section which gives Victoria Police this power. On reading the *Crimes Act 1958*, the section which the author is discussing actually is s.456AA.

This section has also been misquoted. When an author has placed quotation marks around a sentence or paragraph, the reader can assume that that particular sentence or paragraph has been taken directly from the relevant text. This is not the case in this article.

Is it the Alternative Law Journal's policy to allow authors the freedom to paraphrase legislation when using quotation marks? If so do you not feel that this compromises the ability of the reader to formulate an *informed* opinion on the subject. Surely italics would be a more appropriate form (although still inadequate) of emphasis to convey to the reader that this is not a direct quote from a text, but the writer's interpretation of the relevant text.

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Editor's note: Guilty as charged — but in mitigation we plead that the ANSTAT Update Bulletin upon which the author relied, also showed the incorrect section number.