



ANNO TRICESIMO QUINTO

ELIZABETHAE II REGINAE

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No. 56 of 1986

An Act to amend the Coroners Act, 1975.

[Assented to 2 October 1986]

The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Short title.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Coroners Act Amendment Act, 1986".

(2) The Coroners Act, 1975, is in this Act referred to as "the principal Act".

Amendment of
s. 12—
Jurisdiction.

2. Section 12 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out paragraphs (a) to (d) (inclusive) and substituting the following paragraphs:

(a) the death of any person by violent, unusual or unknown cause;

(b) the disappearance (from any place) of any person ordinarily resident within the State;;

and

(b) by inserting after its present contents as amended by this section (now to be designated as subsection (1)) the following subsections:

(2) An inquest may be held into the cause of a death under subsection (1) (a) if—

(a) the death occurred in the State;

(b) the place of death is unknown but it is reasonably possible that the death occurred in the State;

(c) the body of the dead person is in the State;

or

(d) the death was caused by an event that took place in the State, or such an event is a possible cause of death.

(3) For the purposes of this section—

“the State” includes—

(a) the sea that is within the adjacent area in respect of the State, as that area is defined in relation to the State for the purposes of the *Coastal Waters (State Powers) Act 1980* of the Commonwealth;

and

(b) the airspace that is above that sea.

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

D. B. DUNSTAN, Governor