

Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances (Amendment) Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 sets out the purpose of the Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the Act on Royal Assent.

Clause 3 inserts a new section 80 (5) into the *Drugs, Poisons and Controlled Substances Act 1981*.

Section 80 creates various inchoate offences relating to the illicit trafficking or use of drugs.

The effect of the amendment is to exempt from the operation of the section any pharmacist or employee who sell or supplies a hypodermic needle or syringe in the lawful practice of a pharmacist, and any person in such circumstances as is authorized in regulations made by the Governor in Council.

