

Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) (Sheriff) Bill

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Clause 1 sets out the purpose of the Bill.

Clause 2 provides that the Act commences operation when it receives the Royal Assent.

Clause 3 states that the *Magistrates (Summary Proceedings) Act 1975* is referred to as the Principal Act.

Clause 4 amends the Principal Act to widen the class of persons who may execute a warrant. The amendment also allows officers of the sheriff and members of the police force to act on behalf of the sheriff.

Clause 5 amends the Principal Act to set out the powers and duties of the sheriff and other officers in relation to warrants of commitment in PERIN cases.

Clause 6 amends the Principal Act to allow the sheriff to execute warrants of commitment in PERIN cases.

