WESTERN AUSTRALIA

POLICE AMENDMENT (GRAFFITI) ACT 1994

No. 2 of 1994

AN ACT to amend the Police Act 1892.

[Assented to 11 April 1994.]

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Police Amendment (Graffiti) Act 1994.

Principal Act

- 2. In this Act the Police Act 1892* is referred to as the principal Act.
 - [* Reprinted as at 24 April 1992. For subsequent amendments see 1992 Index to Legislation of Western Australia, Table 1, pp. 164-6.]

Section 80 amended

- 3. Section 80 (1) of the principal Act is amended in the penalty at the foot of the subsection by deleting "A fine" and substituting the following —
- "Subject to section 80A, a fine".

Section 80A inserted

4. The principal Act is amended by inserting after section 80 the following section —

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Graffiti (punishment etc.)

80A. (1) In this section —

"public property" means property owned by, vested in, or under the control or management of —

- (a) the State;
- (b) the Crown, or an agent or instrumentality of the Crown;

- (c) a body corporate established by a written law; or
- (d) a municipality or a regional council under the *Local Government Act 1960*;
- "relevant offender" means a person guilty of an offence under section 80 (1) where the damage consists of—
 - (a) graffiti which are visible to the public;or
 - (b) graffiti done on public property.
- (2) A relevant offender is liable to a fine not exceeding \$1 000.
- (3) A court convicting a relevant offender may, in addition to imposing any penalty and in addition to making any order under section 719 of *The Criminal Code*, order the relevant offender to pay to any person who has obliterated the graffiti or caused it to be obliterated such sum as it considers reasonable for doing so.
- (4) An order under subsection (3) is to be treated as if it were an award of compensation under section 719 of *The Criminal Code*.