TRAFFIC.

No. 4 of 1973.

AN ACT to amend the Traffic Act, 1919-1972.

[Assented to 21st May, 1973.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Traffic Act and citation. Amendment Act, 1973.
- (2) In this Act the Traffic Act, 1919-1972, is approved for referred to as the principal Act.

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- (3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Traffic Act, 1919-1973.

Reprinted as approved for reprint, 30th July, 1971, and further amended by Acts Nos. 33 and 34 of 1971, and 20 and 92 of 1972. Commencement. 2. This Act shall come into operation on a date to be fixed by proclamation.

Section 29

- 3. Section 29 of the principal Act is amended—
 - (a) by deleting the words "if the court shall be satisfied that the person convicted was not aware of the occurrence of the accident or" in lines twenty-two, twenty-three and twenty-four of subsection (1); and
 - (b) by adding after subsection (1) the following subsection—
 - (1a) In any proceedings in respect of any offence against subsection (1) of this section of which the failing to stop immediately after the occurrence of any accident is an ingredient, it is a defence for the person charged to prove that he was not aware of the occurrence of the accident to which the alleged offence relates.