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An Act to amend the *Criminal Code Act 1924*

[Royal Assent 7 November 2023]

Be it enacted by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Criminal Code Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction of the Associate Judge) Act 2023*.

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2. Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

3. Principal Act

In this Act, the *Criminal Code Act 1924** is referred to as the Principal Act.

4. Schedule 1 amended (*Criminal Code*)

After section 371A of the Principal Act, the following section is inserted in Chapter XL:

372. Powers of Associate Judge

- (1) The Chief Justice may issue a direction that empowers the Associate Judge to exercise the powers of the Supreme Court other than –
 - (a) the conducting of a trial in relation to a crime; and
 - (b) the imposing of a sentence in respect of a crime; and
 - (c) the hearing of an appeal in relation to bail.
- (2) For the avoidance of doubt, if the Associate Judge is empowered to exercise the powers of the Supreme

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Court by virtue of a direction issued
under subsection (1) –

- (a) the Associate Judge may exercise those powers in the same manner as they may be exercised by the Court and subject to the same provisions; and
- (b) a reference in this Act, or any other Act, to the Court or a judge in relation to those powers includes a reference to the Associate Judge.

5. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the first anniversary of the day on which this Act commenced.

*[Second reading presentation speech made in:–
House of Assembly on 14 September 2023
Legislative Council on 18 October 2023]*