LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

DRUGS, POISONS AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AMENDMENT (DRUGS OF DEPENDENCE) BILL 2011

(New Clauses to be proposed in Committee by Ms HARTLAND)

NEW CLAUSES

After Clause 4 insert the following new clauses—

'A Possession of a drug of dependence

- (1) After section 73(1)(a) of the Principal Act **insert**
 - "(ab) to a penalty of not more than 5 penalty units where the court is satisfied on the balance of probabilities that—
 - (i) the offence was committed in relation to a quantity of a drug of dependence prescribed in accordance with section 132AA that is not more than the small quantity applicable to that drug of dependence;
 - (ii) the offence was not committed for any purpose related to trafficking in the drug of dependence prescribed in accordance with section 132AA;".
- (2) In section 73(1)(b) of the Principal Act after "paragraph (a)" **insert** "and paragraph (ab)".

B Use of drug of dependence

After section 75(a) of the Principal Act insert—

"(ab) where the court is satisfied on the balance of probabilities that the offence was committed in relation to a drug of dependence prescribed in accordance with section 132AA—to a penalty of not more than 5 penalty units; and".

C Adjourned bonds to be given in certain cases

In section 76(1)(ab) of the Principal Act after "Schedule Eleven" **insert** "or a drug of dependence prescribed in accordance with section 132AA".'.