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**No. 49 of 1980****An Act to amend the Justices Act, 1921-1979.***[Assented to 3rd July, 1980]*

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows:

Short titles.

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Justices Act Amendment Act, 1980".
- (2) The Justices Act, 1921-1979, is hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".
- (3) The principal Act, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Justices Act, 1921-1980".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 27a—  
Service of  
summons by  
post.

2. Section 27a of the principal Act is amended by striking out from subsection (1) the passage "a member of the police force or any other public officer" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "a public authority or public officer".

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 57a—  
Procedure for  
plea of guilty  
to be entered  
in writing.

3. Section 57a of the principal Act is amended—
  - (a) by striking out from subsection (1) the passage "a member of the police force or any other public officer" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "a public authority or public officer";
  - (b) by striking out from paragraph (c) of subsection (4) the passage "any other public officer, service at the office of that public officer" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "a public authority, or any other public officer, service at an office of that public authority or public officer";
  - (c) by striking out from subsection (8) the passage "a member of the police force or, as the case may be, some other public officer" and inserting in lieu thereof the passage "a public authority or a public officer";

and

(d) by striking out subsections (11) and (12) and inserting in lieu thereof the following subsections:—

(11) In this section—

“public authority” means—

- (a) any instrumentality or agency of the Crown in right of the State or the Commonwealth;
- (b) the Corporate Affairs Commission;
- (c) a municipal or district council;
- (d) any county board or local board of health;
- or
- (e) any body declared by proclamation to be a public authority:

“public officer” means—

- (a) any member of the Police Force of the State or the Commonwealth or any other officer or employee of the State or the Commonwealth;
- or
- (b) any officer or employee of a public authority.

(12) The Governor may, by proclamation, declare a body to be a public authority for the purposes of this section and may, by subsequent proclamation, vary or revoke any such declaration.

4. Section 62ba of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out from paragraph (a) of subsection (1) the passage “member of the police force or a public officer” and inserting in lieu thereof the passage “public authority or public officer”;

and

(b) by striking out from subsection (4) the passage “member of the police force or a public officer” and inserting in lieu thereof the passage “public authority or public officer”.

Amendment of  
principal Act,  
s. 62ba—  
*Ex parte*  
proceedings  
where  
defendant  
neither appears  
nor returns  
written plea  
of guilty.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

K. D. SEAMAN, Governor