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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

(Circulated by authority of
the Minister for Justice and Customs
Senator the Honourable Amanda Vanstone)

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OUTLINE

This Bill clarifies the nature of the State and Commonwealth legislative framework that supports the National Crime Authority. The Bill makes clear that States and Territories may confer powers, functions and duties on the National Crime Authority in relation to the Authority's investigation of relevant criminal activity.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There are no direct financial impacts from this Bill.

NOTES ON CLAUSES

Clause 1: Short title

The short title of the Act is the *National Crime Authority Amendment Act 1999*.

Clause 2: Commencement

The Act commences on the day it receives Royal Assent. The amendments made in Schedule 1 are taken to have commenced immediately after the commencement of the amendments to the National Crime Authority Act contained in the *Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (No.2) 1984*.

The Statute Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (no.2) inserted section 55A into the National Crime Authority Act. This clause means that the amendments contained in this Act are taken to have commenced at the time of the original enactment of section 55A.

Clause 3: Schedule

This clause provides that an Act which is specified in the Schedule is amended as set out in that Schedule.

Schedule 1 – Amendment of the National Crime Authority Act 1984

Item 1

This item omits the words “being a power, function or duty that is also conferred or imposed by this Act” from subsection 55A(1)(a).

Item 2

This item omits the word “similar” from subsection 55A(2).