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South Australia

Statutes Amendment (Drug Offences) Bill 2018

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the Controlled Substances Act 1984 and the Sentencing Act 2017.

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The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

This Act may be cited as the Statutes Amendment (Drug Offences) Act 2018.

5 **2—Commencement**

This Act will come into operation on a day to be fixed by proclamation.

3—Amendment provisions

In this Act, a provision under a heading referring to the amendment of a specified Act amends the Act so specified.

Part 2—Amendment of Controlled Substances Act 1984

4—Amendment of section 4—Interpretation

Section 4—after subclause (7) insert:

- (7a) For the purposes of this Act, in determining the maximum penalty for an offence against this Act, an offender is a *serious drug offender* if the offender has, within 10 years of the commission of the offence, been previously convicted of—
 - (a) 2 or more offences against Part 5 Division 2 (other than Subdivision 4) or Division 3, being offences arising out of separate incidents; or
 - (b) 3 or more offences against Part 5 (other than sections 33D, 33DA, 33I(2), 33K, 33L, 33LA, 33LAB or 33LB), being offences arising out of separate incidents.

5—Amendment of section 32—Trafficking

(1) Section 32(1), penalty provision—delete "\$500 000" and substitute:

\$1 000 000

(2) Section 32(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute:

Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both.
- (3) Section 32(2a), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute:

Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both.

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- (4) Section 32(3), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.

6—Amendment of section 33—Manufacture of controlled drugs for sale

(1) Section 33(1), penalty provision—delete "\$500 000" and substitute:

\$1 000 000

- (2) Section 33(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both.
- (3) Section 33(3), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.

7—Amendment of section 33A—Sale, manufacture etc of controlled precursor

- (1) Section 33A(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both;

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- for an aggravated offence—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both.
- (2) Section 33A(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute:

Maximum penalty:

- for a basic offence— (a)
 - if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both:
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both.
- Section 33A(3), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute:

Maximum penalty:

- for a basic offence
 - if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or (ii) both:
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.
- **(4)** Section 33A(4), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - for a basic offence— (a)
 - if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or both:
 - for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or (b)
- Section 33A(5), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

for a basic offence—

- if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
- in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or (ii) both:
- for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.

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8—Amendment of section 33B—Cultivation of controlled plants for sale

(1) Section 33B(1), penalty provision—delete "\$500 000" and substitute:

\$1 000 000

(2) Section 33B(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute:

Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both:
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both.
- (3) Section 33B(3), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.

9—Amendment of section 33C—Sale of controlled plants

(1) Section 33C(1), penalty provision—delete "\$500 000" and substitute:

\$1 000 000

(2) Section 33C(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute:

Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$200 000 or imprisonment for 25 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$500 000 or imprisonment for life, or both.
- (3) Section 33C(3), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or

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- (ii) in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or both:
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.

5 10—Amendment of section 33D—Sale of equipment

Section 33D, penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$15 000 or imprisonment for 3 years, or both:
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both

15 11—Amendment of section 33DA—Sale of instructions

Section 33DA(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$15 000 or imprisonment for 3 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both.

12—Amendment of section 33GA—Sale of equipment to child for use in connection with consumption of controlled drugs

Section 33GA, penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both.

13—Amendment of section 33GB—Sale of instructions to a child

Section 33GB(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

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- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both.

14—Amendment of section 33I—Supply or administration of controlled drug

- (1) Section 33I(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$50 000 or imprisonment for 10 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.
- (2) Section 33I(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty: \$15 000 or imprisonment for 3 years, or both.

15—Amendment of section 33J—Manufacture of controlled drugs

- (1) Section 33J(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$75 000 or imprisonment for 15 years, or both.
- (2) Section 33J(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both.

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16—Amendment of section 33K—Cultivation of controlled plants

- (1) Section 33K(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$5 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$2 000 or imprisonment for 2 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$5 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both.
- (2) Section 33K(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty: \$2 000 or imprisonment for 2 years, or both.

17—Amendment of section 33L—Possession or consumption of controlled drug etc

Section 33L(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty: \$2 000.

18—Amendment of section 33LA—Possession or supply of prescribed equipment

Section 33LA, penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$10 000 or imprisonment for 2 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both.

19—Amendment of section 33LAB—Possession or supply of instructions

Section 33LAB(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$10 000 or imprisonment for 2 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both.

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20—Amendment of section 33LB—Possession or supply of prescribed quantity of controlled precursor

- (1) Section 33LB(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$15 000 or imprisonment for 3 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both.
- (2) Section 33LB(2), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:
 - (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both;
 - (b) for an aggravated offence—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both.

21—Amendment of section 33LD—Intentional manufacture of controlled drug alternative

Section 33LD, penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both:
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both.

22—Amendment of section 33LE—Promoting controlled drug alternative

Section 33LE(1), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$10 000 or imprisonment for 2 years, or both;

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(b) for an aggravated offence—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both.

23—Amendment of section 33LF—Manufacturing, packaging, selling or supplying substance promoted as controlled drug alternative

Section 33LF(3), penalty provision—delete the penalty provision and substitute: Maximum penalty:

- (a) for a basic offence—
 - (i) if the offender is a serious drug offender—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both; or
 - (ii) in any other case—\$20 000 or imprisonment for 5 years, or both;
- (b) for an aggravated offence—\$30 000 or imprisonment for 7 years, or both.

24—Amendment of section 34—Application of Division

Section 34(1)—after paragraph (b) insert:

or

(c) a person who is alleged to have committed a simple possession offence but who has, in the 4 years preceding the date of the alleged simple possession offence, been referred to a nominated assessment service under this Division on 2 or more occasions (with each referral being in respect of a separate alleged simple possession offence).

25—Amendment of section 44—Matters to be considered when court fixes penalty

Section 44(1)—after paragraph (d) insert:

(daa) in the case of an offence against section 33—whether a child was present at any stage when the offence occurred; and

Part 3—Amendment of Sentencing Act 2017

26—Amendment of section 71—Home detention orders

Section 71(5), definition of *serious and organised crime offence*, (b)—after subparagraph (v) insert:

(vi) an offence under section 33F, 33G or 33H;

27—Amendment of section 96—Suspension of imprisonment on defendant entering into bond

Section 96(9), definition of *serious and organised crime offence*, (b)—after subparagraph (v) insert:

(vi) an offence under section 33F, 33G or 33H;

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