1. The Summary Offences and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 amends the *Summary Offences Act 2005* and the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* to address the rise in offending behaviours and civil disruption caused during some gatherings and assemblies.
2. The Bill introduces new offences under the *Summary Offences Act 2005* aimed at individuals who use a dangerous attachment device to disrupt a relevant lawful activity. The new offences carry a maximum penalty of up to 50 penalty units or two years imprisonment. A penalty infringement notice, with a maximum penalty of five penalty units, may also be issued for the offence.
3. Amendments to the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* will allow police to search a person or vehicle for a dangerous attachment device, where there is a reasonable suspicion that a dangerous attachment device is on a person or in a vehicle and is be or has been used to disrupt a relevant lawful activity.
4. Police will have the power to seize and dispose of any dangerous attachment device found or any part of it.
5. The existing safeguards under the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* will apply to the new provisions.
6. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Summary Offences Amendment Bill 2019 into the Legislative Assembly.
7. *Attachments*
* [Summary Offences and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)