

803 Protection of methodologies

- (1) In a proceeding, a police officer can not be required to disclose information mentioned in subsection (2), unless the court is satisfied disclosure of the information is necessary—
 - (a) for the fair trial of the defendant; or
 - (b) to find out whether the scope of a law enforcement investigation has exceeded the limits imposed by law; or
 - (c) in the public interest.
- (2) The information is information that could, if disclosed, reasonably be expected—
 - (a) to prejudice the investigation of a contravention or possible contravention of the law; or
 - (b) to enable the existence or identity of a confidential source of information, in relation to the enforcement or administration of the law, to be ascertained; or
 - (c) to endanger a person’s life or physical safety; or
 - (d) to prejudice the effectiveness of a lawful method or procedure for preventing, detecting, investigating or dealing with a contravention or possible contravention of the law; or
 - (e) to prejudice the maintenance or enforcement of a lawful method or procedure for protecting public safety; or
 - (f) to facilitate a person’s escape from lawful custody.
- (3) Subsection (1) does not affect a provision of another Act under which a police officer can not be compelled to disclose information or make statements in relation to the information.

Example for subsection (3)—

Drugs Misuse Act 1986, section 120

- (4) In this section—

police officer includes a police officer of another State or the Australian Federal Police.

proceeding does not include—

- (a) a hearing under the *Crime and Corruption Act 2001*; or
- (b) another proceeding of the CCC in which a police officer is being examined; or
- (c) a commission of inquiry under the *Commissions of Inquiry Act 1950*; or
- (d) an examination under the *Australian Crime Commission (Queensland) Act 2003*, part 3.

Note—

For provisions about the protection of surveillance device technologies and methods under chapter 13, see section 355.

804 Compensation

- (1) This section applies if a person suffers loss because—
 - (a) a police officer exercises powers under this Act; or
 - (b) an assistant exercises powers under this Act in accordance with a request of a police officer given under section 612.
- (2) Compensation is payable by the State to the person whose property is damaged.
- (3) However, compensation is not payable to a person if the person is found guilty of the commission of an indictable offence because of the exercise of the powers.
- (4) Also, compensation is not payable for the lawful seizure of a thing under this Act.
- (5) The Minister is to decide the amount of the compensation.
- (6) A person who is dissatisfied with the Minister's decision under subsection (5) may apply to a court, within 28 days, for compensation under this section.
- (7) If the person applies under subsection (6), the court may decide the amount of the compensation.