**Information Notice**

**Act Title** **Magistrates' Court Act 1989**

**Information Title:** **Retrospective Commencement**

**Version:** **172**

Section 124AC of the **Magistrates' Court Act 1989** was inserted by section 8 of the **Courts and Other Justice Legislation Amendment Act 2013**, No. 68/2013. Section 8 is taken to have come into operation on 1 August 2013.  
Section 8 reads as follows:

8 New section 124AC inserted

After section 124AB of the **Magistrates' Court Act 1989 insert**—

"124AC Validation of acts and decisions of certain bail justices

(1) This section applies to any person whose appointment as a bail justice has expired under clause 46(1)(a) or (b) of Schedule 8.

(2) If, on or before 1 August 2013, a person to whom this section applies performed or purported to perform any act or made or purported to make any decision under this Act or any other Act (whether in purported exercise of a power to act as a bail justice appointed under section 120A or reappointed under section 120C or by virtue of holding the office of bail justice), that act or decision is not invalid, and is taken never to have been invalid, by reason only of—

(a) the expiry of the person's appointment under clause 46(1)(a) or (b) of Schedule 8, as the case requires; or

(b) the lack of appointment of the person as a bail justice under section 120A or the lack of reappointment as a bail justice under section 120C.

(3) Any act performed or purported to be performed or decision made or purported to be made on or before 1 August 2013 by a person to whom this section applies is taken to have, and always to have had, the same force and effect as it would have had if the person had been appointed as a bail justice under section 120A or reappointed as a bail justice under section 120C, as the case requires, when—

(a) the act was performed or purported to be performed; or

(b) the decision was made or purported to be made.".