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Canadian Criminal Code Offences

This publication is an acclaimed practice manual for Crown counsel, defence counsel, judges and police. The manual brings together in one place essential information about more than 50 commonly charged *Criminal Code* offences. The offences are organized alphabetically into individual, tabbed chapters for immediate access. Each chapter contains the full text of the *Criminal Code* sections and any other statutory provisions that relate to the offence, available defences, the best wording of the charge, the elements to be proved, procedural considerations, up-to-date case law, recent, significant changes in the law, and forms.

This release features comprehensive updates to the *Criminal Code* provisions, which had been impacted by recent legislative amendments, in Chapters 1 through 12. As well, the commentary pertaining to Victim Fine Surcharges in throughout the service has been updated to reflect the recent Supreme Court of Canada decision, *R. v. Boudreault*, 2018 SCC 58, 2018 CarswellOnt 20975 (S.C.C.).

Release Highlights

The following amending statutes recently introduced amendments to the *Criminal Code* provisions included in Chapters 1 through 12:

- *Appropriation Act, No. 5, 2017-18*, S.C. 2018, c. 6;
- *Expungement of Historically Unjust Convictions Act*, S.C. 2018, c. 11;

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- *Cannabis Act*, S.C. 2018, c. 16;
- *An Act to amend the Criminal Code (offences relating to conveyances)*, S.C. 2018, c. 21; and
- *An Act to amend the Criminal Code and the Department of Justice Act and to make consequential amendments to another Act*, S.C. 2018, c. 29.