Clause 6: The purpose of this amendment is to provide expressly that a person who has been convicted or acquitted of capital murder cannot then be tried for non-capital murder in respect of the same death, and vice versa. Subsection (2) contains a similar provision in respect of murder, and manslaughter or infanticide.

Clause 7: The purpose of this new subsection is to make it clear that where an accused is charged with capital murder and the evidence does not prove capital murder but does prove either non-capital murder or an attempt to commit non-capital murder, the jury can convict for non-capital murder or the attempt, as the case may be.

Clause 8: The purpose of this new section is to provide for an automatic appeal to the provincial court of appeal in every case where the death penalty has been imposed, on any ground of law or fact or mixed law and fact.

Clause 9: The purpose of this new subsection is to ensure that in every case where a sentence of death has been imposed, the execution of the sentence will be suspended until after the determination of the appeal provided by clause 8.