

## Penalties and Sentences (Sexual Offences) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025

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I stand with #yourreferenceaintrelevant campaign to abolish good character references in severe crimes of rape, child sexual abuse and domestic violence. Perpetrators of violence use manipulation and grooming techniques to those (adults) around them so that the people they are connected to cannot believe they would commit a heinous crime. A perpetrator of violence has made a conscious decision to use violence and a conscious decision to groom adults around them