

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

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Character references for convicted sex offenders are wrong and disgusting and should play no part in the justice system. Predators are often masters at passing themselves off as normal, well adjusted members of society, even a loving and caring family and friend. This is all a mask to lure in their prey. Doing good or nice things does not mitigate the disgusting and abhorrent acts of their sexual predation. This outdated process needs to stop now, to protect further victims and to stop the continued retraumatisation of their past victims.