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

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## **Submitter Comments:**

I support the #yourreferenceaintrelevant campaign. Legal outcomes should be about facts of the case and impacts on victim survivors, not social status and connections. People who committ these crimes are often well liked by others, this is a tactic to hide their abuse, not a mitigating circumstance. I call for a total abolition of good character references for any crime that directly emotionally, physically, socially, sexually, mentally or financially harms one or more individual.