

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

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I don't believe sex offenders should be allowed to use good character references in court because it's an insult to the victims and a manipulation of justice. Committing a sex crime completely destroys any claim to 'good character' no amount of politeness, job stability or community involvement outweighs the decision to violate another human being. Allowing these references is a loophole that lets predators hide behind a fake facade and try to justify downplaying the severity of their actions. Good character isn't proven by who you are when people are watching, it's defined by what you do when they aren't. These disgusting humans deserve punishment, not understanding.