



Queensland

# Corrective Services Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2012

## Explanatory Notes for SL 2012 No. 29

made under the

*Corrective Services Act 2006*

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## General outline

### Short title

*Corrective Services Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2012.*

### Authorising law

Section 355 of the *Corrective Services Act 2006*

### Policy objectives and the reasons for them

The Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian (CCYPCG) has a role in advocating for children and young people under the age of 18 years. Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) accommodates prisoners in correctional centres who are 17 years old.

The CCYPCG has requested and QCS supports the addition of the CCYPCG to the privileged mail list to allow CCYPCG to communicate confidentially in writing with 17 year old prisoners.

### **Achievement of policy objectives**

This objective will be achieved by adding CCYPCG to the privileged mail list under section 18 of the *Corrective Services Regulation 2006*, thus enabling the CCYPCG and 17 year old prisoners to communicate confidentially in writing.

### **Consistency with policy objectives of authorising law**

The amendment to the regulation is consistent with the main objectives of the *Corrective Services Act 2006*, namely, community safety and crime prevention through the humane containment, supervision and rehabilitation of offenders.

### **Inconsistency with policy objectives of other legislation**

The regulation is consistent with the policy objectives of other legislation.

### **Benefits and costs of implementation**

Implementation of this initiative will require a small change in mail screening procedures with no additional costs.

### **Consistency with fundamental legislative principles**

The regulation has been drafted with regard to fundamental legislative principles as defined in section 4 of the *Legislative Standards Act 1992* and is consistent with such principles.

### **Consultation**

Consultation regarding the amendments has been undertaken with the Department of Premier and Cabinet, Queensland Treasury and the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian.

No issues regarding the regulation were raised.

ENDNOTES

- 1 Laid before the Legislative Assembly on . . .
- 2 The administering agency is the Department of Community Safety.

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