

## **Criminal Justice Legislation (Sexual Violence and Other Matters) Amendment Bill 2024**



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An Act to amend the *Attorney-General Act 1999*, the *Corrective Services Act 2006*, the Criminal Code, the *Evidence Act 1977*, the *Evidence Regulation 2017*, the *Penalties and Sentences Act 1992* and the legislation mentioned in schedule 1 for particular purposes

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	The Pa	arliamen	t of Queensland enacts—	1
	Part	1	Preliminary	2
Clause	1	Short tit	tle	3
			Act may be cited as the Criminal Justice Legislation sual Violence and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2024.	4 5
Clause	2	Comme	ncement	6
			following provisions commence on a day to be fixed by clamation—	7 8
		(a)	part 2;	9
		(b)	part 4;	10
		(c)	part 5, other than division 3;	11
		(d)	parts 6 to 8.	12
	Part	2	Amendment of Attorney-General Act 1999	13 14
Clause	2	Act ame	anded	15
Clause	5		s part amends the Attorney-General Act 1999.	15 16
Clause	4	Insertio	n of new s 14	17
		Afte	er section 13—	18
		inse	rt—	19

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14	rec	omn	of amendments made in response to nendations of the Women's Safety and Taskforce
	(1)	carr the the	Attorney-General must ensure a review is ied out into the operation and effectiveness of legislative amendments made in response to recommendations of the Women's Safety and ice Taskforce (2021) by—
		(a)	the Domestic and Family Violence Protection (Combating Coercive Control) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2023; and
		(b)	the Justice and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2023 to the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences) Act 1978; and
		(c)	the Criminal Law (Coercive Control and Affirmative Consent) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2024; and
		(d)	the <i>Queensland Community Safety Act 2024</i> to the <i>Youth Justice Act 1992</i> ; and
		(e)	the Criminal Justice Legislation (Sexual Violence and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2024.
	(2)		Attorney-General must determine the terms eference of the review.
	(3)	The	review must—
		(a)	start as soon as practicable 5 years after the commencement; and
		(b)	consider—
			(i) the outcomes of the amendments; and
			(ii) the effects of the amendments on victims and perpetrators of sexual violence and domestic and family violence; and

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		<ul><li>(iii) the outcomes for, and the effects of the amendments on, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples; and</li></ul>	1 2 3
		(iv) whether the amendments are operating as intended.	4 5
		(4) The Attorney-General must, as soon as practicable after the review is completed, table a report of the review in the Legislative Assembly.	6 7 8
	Part 3	Amendment of Corrective Services Act 2006	9 10
Clause	5 Act amend	ed	11
	This pa	rt amends the Corrective Services Act 2006.	12
Clause	6 Insertion o	f new ss 344AA and 344AB	13
	After se	ection 344—	14
	insert—	-	15
	344/	AA Notification before participation in a program or service	16 17
		(1) This section applies if a prisoner is being detained on remand for an offence.	18 19
		(2) Before the prisoner participates in any program or service established or facilitated under section 266, the chief executive must ensure the prisoner is told if the program or service is an ineligible program or service under section 344AB(7).	20 21 22 23 24
	344/	AB Participation in a program or service not to be used in evidence	25 26
		(1) This section applies if—	27

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	(a) a prisoner is being detained on remand for an offence; and	1 2
	(b) the prisoner participates in a section 266 program or service.	3 4
(2)	The following are not admissible in evidence against the prisoner in any civil, criminal or administrative proceeding for the facts constituting the alleged offence for which the prisoner is detained on remand—	5 6 7 8 9
	<ul> <li>(a) an admission made by the prisoner in the course of, for the purpose of, or as a condition of, participating in a section 266 program or service;</li> </ul>	1( 11 12 13
	(b) evidence directly or indirectly derived from an admission mentioned in paragraph (a).	14 15
(3)	Subsection (2) does not apply to a proceeding for an offence committed or allegedly committed by the prisoner while participating in a section 266 program or service.	16 17 18 19
(4)	The reference in subsection (2)(a) to an admission made by the prisoner includes—	20 21
	(a) any written material made by the prisoner; and	22 23
	(b) anything said or done by the prisoner that makes it evident the prisoner committed an offence.	24 25 26
	Examples of written material—	27
	homework, workbooks, relapse prevention plans, offence mapping	28 29
(5)	However, evidence that would otherwise be inadmissible in a proceeding because of subsection (2) is admissible if the prisoner agrees to its admission.	30 31 32 33
(6)	Despite subsection (2), nothing in this section affects the information that may be adduced	34 35

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		before, or considered by, the Parole Board.	1
	(7)	In this section—	2
		<i>section 266 program or service</i> means a program or service that—	3 4
		(a) is established or facilitated under section 266; and	5 6
		(b) is not an ineligible program or service.	7
	(8)	For the purpose of subsection (7), definition <i>section 266 program or service</i> , paragraph (b), a regulation may prescribe an ineligible program or service.	8 9 10 11
Part	: 4	Amendment of Criminal Code	12
7	Code amende	d	13
	This part ar	nends the Criminal Code.	14
8	Insertion of ne	ew s 210A	15
	After section	on 210—	16
	insert—		17
		exual acts with a child aged 16 or 17 under e's care, supervision or authority	18 19
	(1)	An adult who has a child of or above the age of 16 under their care, supervision or authority and—	20 21
		(a) engages in penile intercourse with the child; or	22 23
		<ul><li>(b) penetrates the vulva, vagina or anus of the child to any extent with a thing or a part of the person's body that is not a penis; or</li></ul>	24 25 26
		(c) penetrates the mouth of the child to any extent with the person's penis;	27 28

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	commits a crime and is liable to imprisonment for 14 years.	1 2
(2)	An adult who has a child of or above the age of 16 under their care, supervision or authority and—	3 4
	(a) indecently deals with the child; or	5
	(b) procures the child to commit an indecent act; or	6 7
	(c) permits themself to be indecently dealt with by the child; or	8 9
	(d) wilfully exposes the child to an indecent act by the adult or any other person; or	10 11
	<ul> <li>(e) without legitimate reason, wilfully exposes the child to any indecent object or any indecent film, videotape, audiotape, picture, photograph or printed or written matter; or</li> </ul>	12 13 14 15
	<ul> <li>(f) without legitimate reason, takes any indecent photograph or, by means of any device, records any indecent visual image of the child;</li> </ul>	16 17 18 19
	commits a crime and is liable to imprisonment for 10 years.	20 21
	Examples of persons who might have a child under their care, supervision, or authority—	22 23
	1 an employer, or other person with the authority to determine significant aspects of the child's employment (whether the work is paid, unpaid, or voluntary)	24 25 26 27
	2 a tutor, sports coach or music teacher	28
	3 a religious or spiritual leader	29
	4 a police officer who has dealt with a child in the exercise or performance of their duties or functions	30 31
(3)	Without limiting subsection (1) or (2), the following are taken to have a child under their care, supervision, or authority—	32 33 34

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	(a)	the child's parent, grandparent, step-parent, or guardian;	1 2
	(b)	the spouse of the child's parent, grandparent, or guardian;	3 4
	(c)	an approved carer of the child or the spouse of an approved carer of the child;	5 6
	(d)	a teacher, principal or deputy principal at a school at which the child is a student;	7 8
	(e)	a health practitioner if the child is their patient;	9 10
	(f)	a person employed or providing services at a place where the child is in custody;	11 12
	(g)	a person employed or providing services at a child accommodation service where the child lives.	13 14 15
(4)		following are defences to a charge of an nce against this section—	16 17
	(a)	that the accused person believed, on reasonable grounds, that the child was at least 18 years;	18 19 20
	(b)	that all of the following apply—	21
		(i) the accused is a person other than a person referred to in subsection (3);	22 23
		<ul><li>(ii) the accused person is less than 3 years older than the child;</li></ul>	24 25
		<ul><li>(iii) the act or omission that constitutes the offence did not, in the circumstances, constitute sexual exploitation of the child;</li></ul>	26 27 28 29
	(c)	that the accused person and the child are lawfully married.	30 31
(5)		remove any doubt, it is declared that it is not essary for the prosecution to prove—	32 33

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	(a) abuse of a position of authority; or
	(b) exercise of a position of authority; or
	(c) the acts constituting the offence were done without consent.
(6)	The <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i> , section 161Q states a circumstance of aggravation for an offence against this section.
(7)	An indictment charging an offence against this section with the circumstance of aggravation stated in the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i> , section 161Q may not be presented without the consent of a Crown Law Officer.
(8)	In this section—
	<i>approved carer</i> means an approved foster carer, approved kinship carer, or provisionally approved carer for the purpose of the <i>Child Protection Act</i> 1999.
	child accommodation service—
	(a) means a service for which the main purpose is to provide accommodation for children; but
	(b) does not include—
	<ul> <li>(i) the care of children by an approved carer under the <i>Child Protection Act</i> 1999 acting in that capacity; or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(ii) the provision of accommodation to children under residential tenancy agreements under the <i>Residential</i> <i>Tenancies</i> and <i>Rooming</i> <i>Accommodation Act</i> 2008.</li> </ul>
	<i>penetration</i> , for subsection (1)(b), does not include penetration carried out for a proper

medical, hygienic or law enforcement purpose. 33

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Clause	9	Am chi		fs2	29B	(Repeated sexual conduct with a	1 2
		(1)	Section 229	)B—			3
			insert—				4
			(1A)	16 i mai	under ntain	It who has a child of or above the age of their care, supervision or authority and s an unlawful sexual relationship with commits a crime.	5 6 7 8
				Ma	ximu	m penalty—life imprisonment.	9
		(2)	Section 229	<b>P</b> B(5)	), afte	r 'defence'—	10
			insert—				11
				to a	char	ge of an offence against subsection (1)	12
		(3)	Section 229	)B—			13
			insert—				14
			(5A)			efence to a charge of an offence against on (1A) that—	15 16
				(a)		adult believed on reasonable grounds the child was at least 18 years of age; or	17 18
				(b)	all o	of the following apply—	19
					(i)	the adult is not a person referred to in section 210A(3);	20 21
					(ii)	the adult was less than 3 years older than the child;	22 23
					(iii)	the acts or omissions that constitute the offence did not, in the circumstances, constitute sexual exploitation of the child; or	24 25 26 27
				(c)		adult and the child were lawfully ried.	28 29
		(4)	Section 229	<b>PB</b> (10	)), de	finition offence of a sexual nature—	30
			omit, insert	·			31

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			offence of a sexual nature means—	1
			<ul> <li>(a) for subsection (1), an offence defined in section 210 (other than section 210(1)(e) or (f)), 215, 222, 349, 350 or 352; and</li> </ul>	2 3 4
			(b) for subsection (1A), an offence defined in section 210A.	5 6
		(5) Section 22	29B—	7
		insert—		8
		(11)	To remove any doubt, it is declared that the persons in section 210A(3) are taken, for the purpose of subsection (1A), to have a child under their care, supervision or authority.	9 10 11 12
		(6) Section 22	29B—	13
		insert—		14
			Note—	15
			See section 767 in relation to the application of subsection (1A).	16 17
Clause	10	Amendment nature)	of s 578 (Charge of offence of a sexual	18 19
		(1) Section 5	78(1) and (4), after 'section 210(1),'	20
		insert—		21
			210A,	22
		(2) Section 5	78(3), after 'section 210(1)'—	23
		insert—		24
			or 210A	25
Clause	11	Insertion of r	new pt 9, ch 112	26
		After sect	ion 766—	27
		insert—		28

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	Chapter 112	Transitional provision for the Criminal Justice Legislation (Sexual Violence and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2024	1 2 3 4 5 6
	above 16 by a	cual conduct with a child of or a person who has the child under pervision or authority	7 8 9
	charge of evidence of before the evidence unlawful commence	e any doubt, it is declared that on a an offence against section 229B(1A), of an unlawful sexual act or acts done commencement may not be admitted in for the purpose of deciding whether sexual acts done after the ement establish the existence of an sexual relationship.	10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
Part 5	Amend 1977	lment of Evidence Act	18 19
Division 1	Prelimir	nary	20
	mended This part amends the <i>E</i>	vidence Act 1977.	21 22
13 Inser	tion of new pt 9, div	v 17	23
ŀ	After section 172—		24
i	nsert—		25

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		Divis	ion 17	Transitional provisions for the Criminal Justice Legislation (Sexual Violence and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2024	1 2 3 4 5 6
	Divisio	on 2	Specia	witnesses	7
	Subdiv	ision 1	Prelimi	nary	8
Clause	14 I	Section 2	•	<b>mproper questions)</b> 0A.	9 10 11
Clause	15 I	nsertion of Part 2, div insert—		<b>3 and 21</b> pre section 21A—	12 13 14
		20B D	efinitions f	or division	15
			In this di	vision—	16
				organisation see the Penalties and s Act 1992, section 1610.	17 18
				<i>violence</i> see the <i>Domestic and Family</i> <i>Protection Act 2012</i> , section 8.	19 20
				nt, in a criminal organisation, see the and Sentences Act 1992, section 161P.	21 22
			and is a legal re	ludes a person who is present in court member, a representative (other than a presentative) or a nominee of an ion that is a party to the proceeding.	23 24 25 26

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	age bac proc evic	<i>vant matter</i> , for a person, means the person's , education, level of understanding, cultural kground or relationship to any party to the ceeding, the nature of the subject matter of the lence, or another matter the court considers vant.	1 2 3 4 5 6
		<i>vant proceeding</i> means a criminal proceeding ting wholly or partly to—	7 8
	(a)	a sexual offence; or	9
	(b)	a domestic violence offence.	10
	seri	ous criminal offence means—	11
	(a)	an indictable offence punishable by at least 7 years imprisonment, including an offence against a repealed provision of an Act; or	12 13 14
	(b)	a prescribed offence as defined under the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i> , section 161N, other than an offence mentioned in paragraph (a), charged with a circumstance of aggravation stated in section 161Q of that Act.	15 16 17 18 19 20
	spec	cial witness see section 21.	21
Ме	anin	g of <i>special witness</i>	22
(1)	In t	his division—	23
	spec	cial witness means—	24
	(a)	a child under 16 years; or	25
	(b)	a person who, in the court's opinion would, as a result of a mental, intellectual or physical impairment or a relevant matter, be likely to be disadvantaged as a witness if required to give evidence in accordance with the usual rules and practice of the court; or	26 27 28 29 30 31
	(c)	a person who, in the court's opinion would, if required to give evidence in accordance	32 33

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					with	the usual rules and practice of the	1
						rt, be likely to—	2
					(i)	suffer severe emotional trauma; or	3
					(ii)	be so intimidated as to be disadvantaged as a witness; or	4 5
				(d)	com com	erson who is to give evidence about the mission of a serious criminal offence mitted by a criminal organisation or a icipant in a criminal organisation; or	6 7 8 9
				(e)	a pe	rson—	10
					(i)	against whom domestic violence has been or is alleged to have been committed by another person; and	11 12 13
					(ii)	who is to give evidence about the commission of an offence by the other person; or	14 15 16
				(f)	a pe	rson—	17
					(i)	against whom a sexual offence has been, or is alleged to have been, committed by another person; and	18 19 20
					(ii)	who is to give evidence about the commission of an offence by the other person.	21 22 23
			(2)			purpose of the definition of <i>special</i> unless the contrary intention appears—	24 25
				(a)	-	arty to a proceeding may be a special less; or	26 27
				(b)		criminal proceeding, the person charged be a special witness.	28 29
Clause	16	Amendme	ent of	f s 2 <sup>-</sup>	1A (I	Evidence of special witnesses)	30
		Section			•	• • •	31
		omit.					32

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Clause	17	Amendment of sch 3 (Dictionary)					
		(1)	Schedule 3—				
			insert—		3		
				<i>criminal organisation</i> , for part 2, division 4, see section 20B.	4 5		
				<i>participant</i> , in a criminal organisation, for part 2, division 4, see section 20B.	6 7		
				<i>relevant matter</i> , for a person, for part 2, division 4, see section 20B.	8 9		
				<i>serious criminal offence</i> , for part 2, division 4, see section 20B.	10 11		
		(2)	Schedule 3	, definition <i>party</i> —	12		
			omit, inser	t—	13		
				<i>party</i> means—	14		
				(a) for part 2, division 4, see section 20B; and	15		
		(3) (4)		(b) for part 2, division 5, see section 21C.	16		
			insert—	, definition relevant proceeding—	17		
					18		
				(aa) for part 2, division 4, see section 20B; or	19		
				, definition special witness, 'section 21A'—	20		
				t—	21		
				section 21	22		
	Subo	divis	sion 2	Alternative arrangements for special witnesses	23 24		
Clause	18	Am	endment o	of s 21A (Evidence of special witnesses)	25		
		(1)	Section 21.	A—	26		
			insert—		27		

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	(1)			ion applies if a special witness is to give ng evidence in any proceeding.	1 2
(2)				here a special witness is to give or is y proceeding, the court'—	3 4
	omit, insert				5
		The	cour	t	6
(3)	Section 21A	A(2)(3)	a)—		7
	omit, insert				8
		(a)	the	he case of a criminal proceeding—that person charged or other party to the ceeding—	9 10 11
			(i)	be excluded from the room in which the court is sitting while the special witness is giving evidence or is required to appear in court for any other purpose; or	12 13 14 15 16
			(ii)	be obscured from the view of the special witness while the special witness is giving evidence or is required to appear in court for any other purpose;	17 18 19 20 21
(4)	Section 21A	<b>\</b>			22
	insert—				23
	(3)	mus proc und	st, oi ceedii	ase of a relevant proceeding, the court in the application of a party to the ings, make or give an order or direction ubsection $(2)(a)(ii)$ , $(c)$ , $(d)$ , or $(e)$	24 25 26 27 28
		(a)		court is satisfied that it would not be in interests of justice to do so; or	29 30
		(b)	acco	ect to subsection (9), appropriate ipment and facilities are unavailable to pmmodate an order or direction under be paragraphs.	31 32 33 34

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		(3A)	A party to a proceeding who seeks to apply under subsection (2) or (3) for an order or direction must give reasonable notice to each other party of their intention to apply.	1 2 3 4
	(5)	Section 21A	A(4), after 'criminal proceeding'—	5
		insert—		6
			, including a relevant proceeding,	7
	(6)	Section 21A	A—	8
		insert—		9
		(9)	To remove any doubt, it is declared that the court may make any other order it thinks fit to facilitate an order or direction under subsection $(2)(a)(ii)$ , (c), (d), or (e) made pursuant to an application under subsection (3).	10 11 12 13 14
Clause	19 Ins	ertion of ne	ew s 173	15
		Part 9, divi	sion 17, as inserted by this Act—	16
		insert—		17
			ernative arrangements for, and evidence of, ecial witnesses	18 19
			Section 21A(3) and (3A) apply to a proceeding for an offence committed before the commencement if an originating step for the proceeding is taken on or after the commencement.	20 21 22 23 24
	Subdivis	sion 3	Directions hearings	25
Clause	20 Ins	ertion of ne	ew s 21AAB	26
		Part 2, divis	sion 4—	27
		insert—		28

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21AAB	Directions hearings	1
(1)	This section applies to a relevant proceeding.	2
(2)	The court may, on its own initiative or on the application of a party to the proceeding, direct that—	3 4 5
	<ul><li>(a) a directions hearing be held, about evidence to be given by a special witness; and</li></ul>	6 7
	(b) further directions hearings be held at any later stage in the proceeding.	8 9
(3)	At a directions hearing, the court may—	10
	<ul> <li>(a) consider the communication needs of a special witness in a relevant proceeding and the most effective way to communicate with the witness; and</li> </ul>	11 12 13 14
	(b) give any directions about the giving of evidence by the witness that the court considers appropriate for the fair and efficient conduct of the proceeding.	15 16 17 18
(4)	Without limiting subsection (3), a direction may be given about any of the following matters—	19 20
	(a) the manner of questioning the witness;	21
	(b) the duration of questioning the witness;	22
	(c) the questions that may, or may not, be put to the witness;	23 24
	(d) if there is more than 1 defendant, the allocation among the defendants of the topics about which the witness may be questioned;	25 26 27 28
	(e) the use of models, plans, body maps or similar aids to—	29 30
	(i) help communicate a question to be put to the witness; or	31 32

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		(ii) help the witness communicate an answer to a question put to the witness.	1 2
	(5)	Subsections (3) and (4) do not limit—	3
		(a) section $21A(2)$ or (3); or	4
		(b) the Criminal Code, section 590AA; or	5
		(c) the Justices Act 1886, section 83A.	6
	(6)	This section does not apply to the extent division 4C, subdivision 3 applies.	7 8
Clause	21 Insertion of n	ew s 174	9
	Part 9, divi	ision 17, as inserted by this Act—	10
	insert—		11
		ernative arrangements for, and evidence of, ecial witnesses	12 13
		Section 21AAB applies to a proceeding for an offence committed before the commencement if an originating step for the proceeding is taken on or after the commencement.	14 15 16 17
	Subdivision 4	Special witness evidence to be videorecorded	18 19
Clause	22 Insertion of n	ew ss 21AAC and 21AAD	20
	Part 2, divi	sion 4—	21
	insert—		22
		Special witness evidence to be leorecorded	23 24
	(1)	This section applies to the evidence of a special witness in a trial in a criminal proceeding relating wholly or partly to a sexual offence, other than the person charged.	25 26 27 28

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(2)	The court must direct that a videorecording of the evidence of a special witness be made if—	1 2
	(a) a special witness is giving evidence; and	3
	(b) appropriate equipment and facilities are available for videorecording the special witness's evidence.	4 5 6
(3)	A videorecording made under this section, or a lawfully edited copy of the videorecording, is admissible in any of the following as if the evidence were given orally in the proceeding in accordance with the usual rules and practice of the court, unless the relevant court otherwise orders—	7 8 9 10 11 12 13
	<ul><li>(a) any rehearing or retrial of, or appeal from, the proceeding in which the videorecording was made;</li></ul>	14 15 16
	<ul> <li>(b) another proceeding for the relevant charge or another charge arising out of the same, or the same set of, circumstances;</li> </ul>	17 18 19
	(c) a civil proceeding arising from the commission of the offence.	20 21
(4)	The reference in subsection (3) to a videorecording includes a digital copy of the videorecording on a separate data storage medium if the copy has been made by—	22 23 24 25
	(a) the principal registrar of a court; or	26
	<ul><li>(b) a person authorised by the principal registrar of a court to copy the videorecording onto the separate data storage medium.</li></ul>	27 28 29
(5)	Subsection (2) applies regardless of whether an order or direction is also made under section $21A(2)(e)$ .	30 31 32

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21AA	D Rec	all of a special witness	1	
(	evi	This section applies if a videorecording of the evidence of a special witness is admitted in a proceeding under section 21AAC(3). This admission of the videorecording does not prevent a party to the proceeding applying to the court for the special witness to attend the proceeding to give further evidence.		
(	pre			
(.	spe	wever, the court must not make an order for the cial witness to give further evidence or ppear unless the court is satisfied that—	9 10 11	
	(a)	if the special witness had given evidence in the ordinary way, the special witness could be recalled to give further evidence; and	12 13 14	
	(b)	it would be in the interests of justice to make the order.	15 16	
Clause 23 Amendmen	t of s 2	1AY (Definitions for div 4B)	17	
Section	21AY, 0	definition recording—	18	
omit, ins	sert—		19	
	rec	ording means—	20	
	(a)	a videorecording of a special witness's evidence made under section 21A; or	21 22	
	(b)	a videorecording of an affected child's evidence made under division 4A, subdivision 3 or 4; or	23 24 25	
	(c)	a videorecording of a special witness's evidence made under section 21AAC; or	26 27	
	(d)	a copy of a videorecording mentioned in paragraph (a), (b) or (c); or	28 29	
	(e)	the usable soundtrack of a videorecording mentioned in paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d).	30 31	

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Clause		Amendment o authorising de	f s 21AZE (Making of practice directions estruction)	1 2
		Section 21A	AZE(4)(b)—	3
		insert—		4
			<ul> <li>(iii) in the case of a videorecording made under section 21AAC—if the defendant has been convicted, there is no possibility or further possibility of a retrial and any appeal rights have been exhausted.</li> </ul>	5 6 7 8 9
Clause	25	Insertion of ne	ew s 175	10
		Part 9, divis	sion 17—	11
		insert—		12
		175 Alte spe	ernative arrangements for, and evidence of, ecial witnesses	13 14
			Section 21AAC(2) applies to a proceeding for an offence committed before the commencement if an originating step for the proceeding is taken on or after the commencement.	15 16 17 18
	Divisi	on 3	Evidence related to domestic	19
			relationships and domestic violence	20
Clause	-		f s 103I (Admissibility of recorded particular committal proceedings)	21 22
		(1) Section 103	BI(2) and (3)—	23
		omit, insert		24
		(2)	A transcript of a recorded statement is admissible in the proceeding as a complainant's evidence-in-chief only if—	25 26 27

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		(a)	the recorded statement would be admissible under section 103H as if subsection (1)(d) of that section were omitted; and	1 2 3
		(b)	the transcript is admitted as a written statement under the <i>Justices Act 1886</i> , section 110A.	4 5 6
(2)	Section 103	3I(4),	'subsection (3)'—	7
	omit, insert	ţ		8
		sub	section (2)	9
(3)	Section 103	3I—		10
	insert—			11
	(5)		he transcript is to be tendered as a written ement as provided for in this section—	12 13
		(a)	the complainant is, for the purposes of the <i>Justices Act 1886</i> , section 83A(5AA), to be taken to be the maker of the written statement; and	14 15 16 17
		(b)	the recorded statement may be admitted under the <i>Justices Act 1886</i> , section 83A(5AA)(a) in lieu of oral evidence.	18 19 20
	(6)		s section does not preclude the court from uiring a complainant to—	21 22
		(a)	attest to the truthfulness of the contents of the transcript or the recorded statement; or	23 24
		(b)	be made available to give further oral evidence or for cross-examination and re-examination.	25 26 27
(4)	Section 103	3I(4)	to (6)—	28
	renumber a	is sec	tion 103I(3) to (5).	29

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Clause	27		ew s 103IA (Admissibility of transcripts of ements in particular registry committal				
		After section	on 103	3I—		4	
		insert—				5	
		103IA Admissibility of transcripts of recorded statements in particular registry committal proceedings					
		(1)	This section applies to a registry committal under the <i>Justices Act 1886</i> , section 114 if—				
			(a)	(1)(	indictable offence to which subsection a) of that section relates is a domestic ence offence; and	11 12 13	
			(b)		the purpose of section 103C of this Act, nition <i>domestic violence proceeding</i> —	14 15	
				(i)	committal proceedings are a type of proceeding prescribed for the purpose of paragraph (b) of that definition; and	16 17 18	
				(ii)	the clerk of the court is the clerk of a court at a place prescribed for the purpose of paragraph (c) of that definition.	19 20 21 22	
		(2)	as reco sect	a co orded ion 1	ript of a recorded statement is admissible omplainant's written statement if the statement would be admissible under 03H of this Act as if subsection (1)(d) of on were omitted.	23 24 25 26 27	
	Divis	ion 4	-		evidence in proceedings for offences	28 29	
Clause	28	Replacement	of pt	6B.	div 4, sdiv 1, heading	30	
		-	•	-	ubdivision 1, heading—	31	

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		omit, insert—	1
		Subdivision 1 Evidence about a defendant	2 3
Clause	29	Amendment of s 103ZZC (Definitions for division)	4
		(1) Section 103ZZC, 'division'—	5
		omit, insert—	6
		subdivision	7
		(2) Section 103ZZC, definition <i>sexual offence expert evidence</i> panel, '103ZZH(5)'—	8 9
		omit, insert—	10
		103ZZH	11
Clause 30	30	Omission of pt 6B, div 4, sdiv 2, heading	12
		Part 6B, division 4, subdivision 2, heading—	13
		omit.	14
Clause	31	Amendment of s 103ZZF (Engagement of person included on sexual offence expert evidence panel)	15 16
		Section 103ZZF(4)(c)—	17
		omit, insert—	18
		(c) is a potential witness in the proceeding (to a	19
		matter in issue other than the provision of expert evidence under this division).	20 21
Clause	32	Amendment of s 103ZZG (Particular information to be given to person engaged)	22 23
		Section 103ZZG(4)—	24
		omit, insert—	25
		(4) A person to whom a document or information is	26

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	or indire document purpose subdivisio	under subsection (2) must not, directly ctly, disclose or make use of the or information other than for the of giving expert evidence under this on in the relevant proceeding. h penalty—100 penalty units or 2 years nent.	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Clause 33	Insertion of new pt 6B,	div 4, sdiv 2	8
	After section 103ZZG		9
	insert—		10
	Subdivision 2	Evidence about the nature of sexual offences and factors that might affect the behaviour of victims	11 12 13 14
	103ZZGA Definiti	ons for subdivision	15
	In this sul	odivision—	16
	excluded	<i>person</i> means—	17
	(a) a par	ty to the proceeding; or	18
		ative, friend or acquaintance of a party e proceeding; or	19 20
	matt	tential witness in the proceeding (to a er in issue other than the provision of rt evidence under this division).	21 22 23
	<i>relevant</i> proceedin	<i>proceeding</i> means a criminal g—	24 25
	(a) relat and	ing wholly or partly to a sexual offence;	26 27
		before a court at a place prescribed by lation.	28 29
	sexual of	fence expert evidence panel means the	30

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	panel established under section 103ZZH.
off	B Evidence about the nature of sexual ences and factors that might affect the naviour of victims
(1)	The following evidence is admissible in a criminal proceeding relating wholly or partly to a sexual offence and may be given by an expert—
	(a) evidence about the nature of sexual offences; and
	<ul> <li>(b) evidence about the social, psychological and cultural factors that may affect the behaviour of a person who has been the victim, or who alleges that they have been the victim, of a sexual offence, including the reasons that may contribute to a delay on the part of the victim to report the offence.</li> </ul>
(2)	For this section, an expert on the subject of sexual offences includes a person who can demonstrate specialised knowledge, gained by training, study or experience, of a matter that may constitute evidence about a sexual offence.
103ZZG	C Credibility rule abrogated
	The credibility rule does not apply to evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates concerning the credibility of another witness if—
	(a) the evidence is wholly or substantially based on the expert's expert knowledge; and
	(b) the evidence could substantially affect the assessment of the credibility of the other
	witness; and

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	D Ultimate issue and common knowledge as abrogated	1 2
	Evidence of an expert's opinion given under section 103ZZGB is not inadmissible only because the opinion is about—	3 4 5
	(a) a fact in issue or an ultimate issue; or	6
	(b) a matter of common knowledge.	7
	E Engagement of person to give expert vice	8 9
(1)	A party to a criminal proceeding relating wholly or partly to a sexual offence may engage a person other than an excluded person to give evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates, whether or not the person is included on the sexual offence expert evidence panel.	10 11 12 13 14 15
(2)	The court in a relevant proceeding may engage a person from the sexual offence expert evidence panel other than an excluded person to give evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates in the proceeding if—	16 17 18 19 20
	<ul><li>(a) no party has engaged an expert to give evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates; and</li></ul>	21 22 23
	(b) the court considers there is a good reason to call an expert.	24 25
	F Particular information to be given to son engaged	26 27
(1)	This section applies if a person is engaged to give evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates.	28 29
(2)	The person may ask the prosecutor for the proceeding to give the person copies of the following documents relating to the offence that is the subject of the proceeding—	30 31 32 33

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	(a) an indictment or bench charge sheets;	1
	(b) summaries or particulars of allegations;	2
	<ul><li>(c) witness statements, including Evidence Act section 93A device statements;</li></ul>	3 4
	(d) exhibits or photographs of exhibits;	5
	(e) transcripts of proceedings;	6
	(f) any other document or thing in the prosecutor's possession or to which the prosecutor has access that may be relevant to evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates.	7 8 9 10 11
(3)	Subsection (2) does not apply to information, contained in a document—	12 13
	<ul><li>(a) that is sensitive evidence under the Criminal Code, section 590AF; or</li></ul>	14 15
	<ul><li>(b) that the prosecution would be prevented under another Act or law from disclosing during a proceeding for the offence; or</li></ul>	16 17 18
	(c) consisting of contact details for witnesses to the alleged commission of the offence.	19 20
(4)	A person to whom a document or information is disclosed under subsection (2) must not, directly or indirectly, disclose or make use of the document or information other than for the purpose of giving evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates in the proceeding.	21 22 23 24 25 26
	Maximum penalty—100 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment.	27 28
	of s 103ZZH (Chief executive to establish e expert evidence panel)	29 30

(1) Section 103ZZH(1) and (3), 'relevant evidence about a 31 defendant in a relevant proceeding'-32

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[s 34] omit, insert— 1 expert evidence under this division 2 (2) Section 103ZZH(2), after 'suitable'— 3 insert— 4 for the purpose of subdivision 1 5 Section 103ZZH— (3)6 insert— 7 (2A) A person is not suitable for the purpose of 8 subdivision 2 to give expert evidence in a relevant 9 proceeding, unless the person can demonstrate 10specialised knowledge, gained by training, study 11 or experience, in a field of knowledge relevant to 12 assessing-13 (a) the nature of sexual offences; or 14 (b) the social, psychological and cultural factors 15 that may affect the behaviour of a person 16 who has been the victim, or who alleges that 17 they have been the victim, of a sexual 18 offence. 19 Section 103ZZH(4)— (4)20 omit. insert— 21 In determining whether to appoint a person to the (4) 22 sexual offence expert evidence panel, the chief 23 executive may have regard to the cultural 24 competence and capability of the person, 25 including whether the person can demonstrate 26knowledge and understanding of a particular 27 cultural group. 28 Subsections (2), (3), (4), and (5) do not limit the (4A) 29 matters to which the chief executive may have 30 regard in considering the suitability of a person to 31 give expert evidence under this division. 32 Section 103ZZH— (5) 33

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		insert—	1
		(6) To remove any doubt, it is declared that a person can be appointed to the sexual offence expert evidence panel to perform both functions if they meet the suitability criteria for both.	2 3 4 5
		(6) Section 103ZZH(2A) to (6)—	6
		renumber as $103ZZH(3)$ to (8).	7
Clause	35	Amendment of s 103ZZI (Removal of person from sexual offence expert evidence panel)	8 9
		Section 103ZZI(1), 'relevant evidence about a defendant in a relevant proceeding'—	10 11
		omit, insert—	12
		expert evidence under this division	13
Clause	36	Amendment of s 103ZZJ (Criminal history report)	14
		Section 103ZZJ(1), 'relevant evidence about a defendant in a relevant proceeding'—	15 16
		omit, insert—	17
		expert evidence under this division	18
Clause	37	Insertion of new s 176	19
		Part 9, division 17, as inserted by this Act—	20
		insert—	21
		176 Expert evidence about the nature of sexual offences and factors that might affect the behaviour of victims	22 23 24
		An expert may be engaged to give evidence to which section 103ZZGB(1) relates in a proceeding for an offence committed before the commencement if an originating step for the proceeding is taken on or after the	25 26 27 28 29

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			commencement.	1
Clause	38	Am	nendment of sch 3 (Dictionary)	2
		(1)	Schedule 3—	3
			insert—	4
			<i>Evidence Act section 93A device statement</i> , see the Criminal Code, section 590AFA.	5 6
			<i>excluded person</i> , for part 6B, division 4, subdivision 2, see section 103ZZGA.	7 8
		(2)	Schedule 3, definition relevant proceeding, paragraph (d)-	9
			omit, insert—	10
			(d) for part 6B, division 4, subdivision 1—see section 103ZZD; or	11 12
			(e) for part 6B, division 4, subdivision 2—see section 103ZZGA.	13 14
		(3)	Schedule 3, definition <i>sexual offence expert evidence panel</i> , '103ZZH(5)'—	15 16
			omit, insert—	17
			section 103ZZH	18
	Divis	sion	5 Tendency evidence and coincidence evidence	19 20
				20
Clause	39	Am	nendment of s 21AZJ (Meaning of <i>relevant proceeding</i> )	21
			Section 21AZJ(3)—	22
			omit.	23
Clause	40	Ins	sertion of new pt 7A	24
			After part 7—	25

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sert— Part 7A	Admissibility of tendency evidence and coincidence evidence	1 2 3 4
129AA Defin	iitions for part	5
In th	nis part—	6
coin	cidence evidence—	7
(a)	means—evidence that 2 or more events occurred that is adduced to show that a person did a particular act or had a particular state of mind on the basis that, having regard to any similarities in the events or circumstances in which they occurred, or any similarities in both the events and the circumstances in which they occurred, it is improbable that the events occurred coincidentally; and	8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
(b)	includes—evidence from multiple witnesses claiming to be victims of offences committed by a defendant, that is adduced to prove, on the basis of similarities in the claimed acts or the circumstances in which they occurred, that the defendant did an act in issue.	18 19 20 21 22 23 24
whice	<i>bative value</i> of evidence means the extent to ch the evidence could rationally affect the ssment of the probability of the existence of a in issue.	25 26 27 28
char tend to s whe	<i>lency evidence</i> means evidence of the racter, reputation or conduct of a person, or a lency that a person has or had, that is adduced how that a person has or had a tendency, ther because of the person's character or prwise, to act in a particular way or to have a	29 30 31 32 33 34

	particular state of mind.	1
	Admissibility of tendency evidence nerally	2 3
(1)	This section applies to criminal proceedings.	4
(2)	Tendency evidence is not admissible unless—	5
	<ul> <li>(a) the court thinks that the evidence, either by itself or having regard to other evidence adduced or to be adduced by the party seeking to adduce the evidence, will have significant probative value; and</li> </ul>	6 7 8 9 10
	(b) if the evidence is adduced by the prosecution about a defendant—the probative value of the evidence outweighs the danger of unfair prejudice to the defendant.	11 12 13 14 15
(3)	Subsection (2) does not apply to tendency evidence that is adduced to explain or contradict tendency evidence adduced by another party.	16 17 18
(4)	If there is a possibility that tendency evidence is the result of collusion, suggestion, concoction or contamination, the weight to be given to that evidence is a question for the jury and not a question to be taken into account in determining either the probative value or the admissibility of the evidence.	19 20 21 22 23 24 25
	Admissibility of tendency evidence in ceedings involving child sexual offences	26 27
(1)	This section applies in a criminal proceeding in which the commission by the defendant of an act that constitutes, or may constitute, a child sexual offence is a fact in issue.	28 29 30 31
(2)	For section 129AB, it is presumed that the following tendency evidence about the defendant	32 33

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	whe tenc com	have significant probative value regardless of ether the sexual interest or act to which the lency evidence relates was directed at a aplainant in the proceeding, any other child or dren generally—	1 2 3 4 5
	(a)	tendency evidence about the sexual interest the defendant has or had in children even if the defendant has not acted on the interest;	6 7 8
	(b)	tendency evidence about the defendant acting on a sexual interest the defendant has or had in children.	9 10 11
(3)	that sign	pite subsection (2), the court may determine the tendency evidence does not have ificant probative value if it is satisfied that e are sufficient grounds to do so.	12 13 14 15
(4)	acco suff (3), exce	following matters are not to be taken into ount in determining whether there are icient grounds for the purposes of subsection unless the court considers there are eptional circumstances in relation to those ters, to warrant taking them into account—	16 17 18 19 20 21
	(a)	the sexual interest or act to which the tendency evidence relates (the <i>tendency</i> <i>sexual interest or act</i> ) is different from the sexual interest or act alleged in the proceeding (the <i>alleged sexual interest or</i> <i>act</i> );	22 23 24 25 26 27
	(b)	the circumstances in which the tendency sexual interest or act occurred are different from circumstances in which the alleged sexual interest or act occurred;	28 29 30 31
	(c)	the personal characteristics of the subject of the tendency sexual interest or act, for example, the subject's age, sex or gender, are different to those of the subject of the alleged sexual interest or act;	32 33 34 35 36

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	(d)	the relationship between the defendant and the subject of the tendency sexual interest or act is different from the relationship between the defendant and the subject of the alleged sexual interest or act;	1 2 3 4 5
	(e)	the period of time between the occurrence of the tendency sexual interest or act and the occurrence of the alleged sexual interest or act;	6 7 8 9
	(f)	the tendency sexual interest or act and alleged sexual interest or act do not share distinctive or unusual features;	10 11 12
	(g)	the level of generality of the tendency to which the tendency evidence relates.	13 14
(5	) In	subsection (2)—	15
	chi	<i>Id</i> means—	16
	(a)	a child under 16; or	17
	(b)	a child aged 16 or 17 who is under the care, supervision, or authority of the defendant.	18 19
	D Adn enera	nissibility of coincidence evidence Ily	20 21
(1	) Th	is section applies to criminal proceedings.	22
(2	) Co	incidence evidence is not admissible unless—	23
	(a)	the court thinks that the evidence, either by itself or having regard to other evidence adduced or to be adduced by the party seeking to adduce the evidence, will have significant probative value; and	24 25 26 27 28
	(b)	if the evidence is adduced by the prosecution about a defendant, the probative value of the evidence outweighs the danger of unfair prejudice to the defendant.	29 30 31 32
(3	) Su	bsection (2) does not apply to coincidence	33

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evidence adduced to explain or contradict 1 coincidence evidence adduced by another party. 2

(4) If there is a possibility that coincidence evidence 3
is the result of collusion, suggestion, concoction 4
or contamination, the weight to be given to that 5
evidence is a question for the jury and not a 6
question to be taken into account in determining 7
either the probative value or the admissibility of 8
the evidence. 9

## 129AE Notice to be given

 A party seeking to adduce tendency evidence or coincidence evidence under this part must give 12 notice in writing to each other party of their 13 intention to adduce the evidence no less than 5 weeks before the date fixed for the start of the trial 15 of the proceeding.

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- (2) A notice under subsection (1) must include the 17 following— 18
  - (a) a statement as to whether the party seeks to
     adduce tendency evidence or coincidence
     20
     evidence;
     21
  - (b) the substance of the evidence to which the 22 notice relates; 23
  - (c) particulars of the date, time, place and 24 circumstances of the conduct or event to which the evidence relates; 26
  - (d) the name of each person known to have 27 seen, heard or otherwise perceived the 28 conduct or event if the person's identity is 29 known to, or could reasonably be 30 ascertained by, the party. 31
- (3) If notice is not provided as required in subsection
  (1), a party may not adduce tendency evidence or
  coincidence evidence without leave of the court.

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	<ul><li>(4) The court may grant leave under subsection (3) i it is satisfied that it would be in the interests o justice to do so.</li></ul>	
	129AF Standard of proof for tendency evidence or coincidence evidence	•
	<ol> <li>Tendency evidence or coincidence evidence need not be proved beyond reasonable doubt to the extent that it is adduced as tendency evidence or coincidence evidence unless—</li> </ol>	e
	<ul> <li>(a) the court is satisfied that there is significant possibility that the jury will rely on the evidence as being essential to it reasoning in reaching a finding of guilt; or</li> </ul>	y
	<ul> <li>(b) the evidence is adduced as both tendency evidence or coincidence evidence and a proof of an element or essential fact of charge.</li> </ul>	S
	(2) If tendency evidence or coincidence evidence i adduced as both tendency evidence o coincidence evidence and as proof of an elemen or essential fact of a charge, the evidence need only be proved beyond reasonable doubt to the extent that it is adduced as proof of the element o essential fact.	r t d e
use 41	Omission of s 132A (Admissibility of similar fact evidence)	
	Section 132A—	
	omit.	
use 42	Insertion of new s 177	
	Part 9, division 17, as inserted by this Act—	
	insert—	

[s 43]

		177 Tendency evidence and coincidence evidence	1
		Part 7A applies to a proceeding for an offence committed before the commencement if an originating step for the proceeding is taken on or after the commencement.	2 3 4 5
Clause	43	Amendment of sch 3 (Dictionary)	6
		Schedule 3—	7
		insert—	8
		<i>child sexual offence</i> means an offence of a sexual nature committed in relation to a child, including an offence against a provision of the Criminal Code, chapter 22 or 32.	9 10 11
		coincidence evidence, for part 7A, see section 129AA.	12
		probative value, for part 7A, see section 129AA.	13
		tendency evidence, for part 7A, see section 129AA.	14
	Part	6 Amendment of Evidence Regulation 2017	15 16
Clause	44	Regulation amended	17
		This part amends the <i>Evidence Regulation 2017</i> .	18
Clause	45	Insertion of new s 4C	19
		After section 4B—	20
		insert—	21
		4C Prescribed places for relevant proceeding	22
		For section 103ZZGA of the Act, definition <i>relevant proceeding</i> , paragraph (b), the following places are prescribed—	23 24 25

		[\$ 46]	
		(a) for the Supreme Court or the District Court—	1 2
		(i) Brisbane;	3
		(ii) Townsville.	4
		(b) for the Magistrates Courts—	5
		(i) Brisbane, Caboolture, Cleveland and Redcliffe;	6 7
		(ii) Townsville.	8
	Part	7 Amendment of Penalties and	9
		Sentences Act 1992	10
Clause	46	Act amended	11
		This part amends the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i> .	12
Clause	47	Amendment of s 43C (Requirements of non-contact order)	13 14
		Section 43C(2)(a) and (b), '2 years'—	15
		omit, insert—	16
		5 years	17
Clause	48	Amendment of s 43F (Contravention of non-contact order)	18 19
		Section 43F(1), penalty—	20
		omit, insert—	21
		Maximum penalty—120 penalty units or 3 years imprisonment.	22 23

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[s 49]

	Part	t 8 Other amendments	1
Clause	49	Legislation amended	2
		Schedule 1 amends the legislation it mentions.	3

Schedule 1

Sch	edule 1	Other amendments	1
		section 49	2
Part	1	Certain consequential amendments in relation to Part 4 (Criminal Code)	3 4 5
Corre	ective Servic	ces Act 2006	6
1	Schedule 1, e	entry for Criminal Code— section 210A (Sexual acts with a child aged 16 or 17 under one's care, supervision or authority)	7 8 9 10
Disal	bility Service	es Act 2006	11
1	Schedule 4, i insert—	tem 4, entry for Criminal Code—	12 13
210A	or 17 under	with a child aged 16 one's care, or authority	
2	Schedule 6, i insert—	tem 4, entry for Criminal Code—	14 15

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Schedule 1

210A	Sexual acts with a child aged 16
	or 17 under one's care,
	supervision or authority

Pena	alties and Ser	ntences Act 1992	1
1	Schedule 1, e	ntry for Criminal Code—	2
	insert—		3
	7A	section 210A (Sexual acts with a child aged 16 or 17 under one's care, supervision or authority)	4 5
2	Schedule 1C,	entry for Criminal Code—	6
	insert—		7
		• section 210A (Sexual acts with a child aged 16 or 17 under one's care, supervision or authority)	8 9 10

Working with Children (Risk Management and	11
Screening) Act 2000	12

1	Schedule 2, item 4, entry for Criminal Code—	13
	insert—	14

210A Sexual acts with a child aged 16 or 17 under one's care, supervision or authority Criminal Justice Legislation (Sexual Violence and Other Matters) Amendment Bill 2024

	Schedule 1	
2	Schedule 4, item 4, entry for Criminal Code— insert—	1 2
210A	Sexual acts with a child aged 16 or 17 under one's care, supervision or authority	
Part	2 Additional consequential amendments in relation to Part 4 (Criminal Code)	3 4 5
	king with Children (Risk Management and ening) Act 2000	6 7
1	Schedule 2, item 4, entry for Criminal Code, section 210A, as inserted by this Act, column 3— insert—	8 9 10
	if the offence is not a disqualifying offence	11
2	Schedule 4, item 4, entry for Criminal Code, section 210A, as inserted by this Act, column 3— insert—	12 13 14
	for which an imprisonment order was or is imposed	15 16

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Part	3 Consequential amendments in relation to Part 5, Division 2 (Special witnesses)	1 2 3
Child	Irens Court Rules 2016	4
1	Section 102(2), note, 'under section 21A of that Act'—	5
	omit, insert—	6
	for the purpose of that section	7
Justi	ces Act 1886	8
1	Section 110C(4), example 3, 'section 21'—	9
	omit, insert—	10
	section 20A	11
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