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<u>Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Bill 2025</u>

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 Display of Nazi and terrorist organisation symbols

Page 3, Schedule 1[2]–[4], lines 6–19. Omit all words on those lines. Insert instead—

[2] Part 3A, Division 9, heading

Omit the heading. Insert instead—

Division 9 Display of Nazi and terrorist organisation symbols

[3] Section 93ZA, heading

Omit the heading. Insert instead—

93ZA Offence of displaying Nazi and terrorist organisation symbols

[4] Section 93ZA(1)

Omit the following—

a Nazi symbol commits an offence.

Maximum penalty—

- (a) for an individual—100 penalty units or imprisonment for 12 months, or both, or
- (b) for a corporation—500 penalty units.

Insert instead—

the following commits an offence—

- (a) a Nazi symbol,
- (b) a terrorist organisation symbol,
- (c) a symbol that—
 - (i) resembles a Nazi symbol or terrorist organisation symbol, and
 - (ii) a reasonable person is likely to believe is displayed to show support for Nazi ideology or the terrorist organisation, respectively.

Maximum penalty—

- (a) for an individual—200 penalty units or imprisonment for 5 years, or both, or
- (b) otherwise—1,000 penalty units.

[4A] Section 93ZA(2) and (3)

Insert "or a symbol that resembles a Nazi symbol" after "Nazi symbol" wherever occurring.

No. 2 Display of Nazi and terrorist organisation symbols

Page 3, Schedule 1[5], lines 22 and 23. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

Commonwealth Criminal Code means the Criminal Code set out in the Schedule to the Criminal Code Act 1995 of the Commonwealth.

terrorist organisation has the same meaning as in the Commonwealth Criminal Code, section 102.1.

No. 3 Offences must be dealt with on indictment

Page 3, Schedule 1. Insert after line 23—

[5A] Section 93ZA(5)

Insert after section 93ZA(4)—

(5) Proceedings for an offence against this section must be dealt with on indictment.

No. 4 Display of Nazi and terrorist organisation symbols

Page 5, Schedule 2. Insert after line 4—

[1A] Part 4, Division 1A, Table

Insert after item 10P-

Section 93ZA(1) of the *Crimes Act 1900* (displaying Nazi and terrorist organisation symbols)

No. 5 Long title

Omit "in relation to offences about displaying Nazi symbols on or near synagogues, Jewish schools and the Sydney Jewish Museum and".

Insert instead "to create an offence of knowingly displaying terrorist organisation symbols, to increase the penalties for the offence of knowingly displaying Nazi symbols and make further provision".