



New South Wales

Crimes Amendment (Inciting Racial Hatred) Bill 2025

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to make it an offence to, by a public act, intentionally incite hatred towards another person or a group of persons on the ground of race.

Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name, also called the short title, of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Crimes Act 1900 No 40

Schedule 1 inserts proposed Part 3A, Division 8A to make it an offence to, by a public act, intentionally incite hatred towards another person or a group of persons on the ground of race. The proposed offence does not apply to an act that consists only of directly quoting from or otherwise referencing a religious text for the purpose of religious teaching. The proposed division requires the Attorney General to review the proposed division 12 months after it commences.