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New South Wales

Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred Legislation Repeal) 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* and other Acts to reverse, with retrospective effect, the amendments made by the following Acts—

- (a) the Crimes Amendment (Inciting Racial Hatred) Act 2025,
- (b) the Crimes Amendment (Places of Worship) Act 2025,
- (c) the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Act 2025.

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 amends the *Crimes Act 1900* to reverse amendments made by the *Crimes Amendment* (*Inciting Racial Hatred*) *Act 2025*.

Schedule 2 amends the following Acts to reverse amendments made by the Crimes Amendment (Places of Worship) Act 2025—

- (a) the Crimes Act 1900,
- (b) the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002.

Schedule 3 amends the following Acts to reverse the amendments made by the *Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Act 2025—*

(a) the Crimes Act 1900,

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- (b) the Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999,
- (c) the *Graffiti Control Act 2008*.

Schedule 3 also inserts a savings provision to make it clear the reversal applies to current proceedings as if the *Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Act 2025* had never been enacted.