



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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## MEDIA RELEASE

### Corrections and Sentencing Legislation Amendment Bill 2022

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety has announced it will be undertaking an inquiry into the [Corrections and Sentencing Legislation Amendment Bill 2022](#).

The terms of reference are available on the Committee website [here](#).

The Bill contains the following proposed amendments to the administration of corrective services and community based sentences. Included in the amendments are changes to:

- adopt elements of a COVID-19 measure (section 102A) to provide community corrections officers with greater flexibility to deal with breaches of a good behaviour order
- support a national system of interstate transfers for community-based sentences and associated community-based orders
- allow searches by certain scanning devices of non-detainees (staff, contractors and visitors) by a corrections officer of any sex
- clearly authorise routine scanning and ordinary searches of non-detainees (staff, contractors and visitors) to an ACT correctional centre, as a condition of entry
- make it an offence for a person to send a prohibited item to a correctional centre including via a remotely piloted aircraft
- clarify that the director-general can declare the entirety of an ACT correctional centre to be smoke free

Information on [how to make a submission](#) is available on the Assembly website.

Submissions close 31 January 2023.

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