



New South Wales

Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Amendment 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 (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* as follows—

- (a) to extend the circumstances in which a 25% sentence reduction may apply to an offender who has made an earlier guilty plea offer for a different offence,
- (b) to require a court to take into account whether the offender had a reasonable opportunity to obtain legal advice and instruct a legal representative when determining whether the earlier guilty plea offer was made as soon as practicable after the offender was found fit to be tried.

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 (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999 No 92

Schedule 1[1] and [2] amend the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* as set out in the overview.