

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Roads and Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2022

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Reasonable excuse**

Page 3, Schedule 1. Insert after line 13—

[6A] Section 144G(4A)

Insert after section 144G(4)—

- (4A) A reasonable excuse includes conduct taken by a person—
- (a) who has a genuine belief in the urgency of climate action, or
 - (b) to raise awareness, or otherwise lobby for—
 - (i) prevention of further global warming, or
 - (ii) the need to better prepare for the impacts of anthropogenic climate change.

No. 2 **Exemptions from offence**

Page 3, Schedule 1. Insert after line 13—

[6B] Section 144G(4B)

Insert after section 144G(4)—

- (4B) A person does not commit an offence under this section if the conduct occurs at—
- (a) the place at which the person works, or
 - (b) a place owned or occupied by the employer of the person.

No. 3 **Exemptions from offence**

Page 3, Schedule 1. Insert after line 13—

[6C] Section 144G(4C)

Insert after section 144G(4)—

- (4C) A person does not commit an offence under this section if—
- (a) the conduct occurs at a place at which animals are ordinarily held,
and

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- (b) the person genuinely believes animal cruelty may be occurring at the place.

No. 4 **Does not apply to political offices**

Page 3, Schedule 1. Insert after line 13—

[6D] Section 144G(4D)

Insert after section 144G(4)—

- (4D) This section does not apply to the extent that it prohibits conduct in relation to any of the following—
 - (a) the NSW Parliament,
 - (b) a local council chambers,
 - (c) an office of—
 - (i) a member of the State or Commonwealth parliament, or
 - (ii) a candidate for election to the State or Commonwealth parliament.

No. 5 **Reasonable excuse**

Page 4, Schedule 2, proposed section 214A. Insert after line 15—

- (2A) A reasonable excuse includes conduct taken by a person—
 - (a) who has a genuine belief in the urgency of climate action, or
 - (b) to raise awareness, or otherwise lobby for—
 - (i) prevention of further global warming, or
 - (ii) the need to better prepare for the impacts of anthropogenic climate change.

No. 6 **Exemptions from offence**

Page 4, Schedule 2, proposed section 214A. Insert after line 17—

- (3A) A person does not commit an offence under this section if—
 - (a) the facility is the place at which the person works, or
 - (b) the facility is owned or occupied by the employer of the person.

No. 7 **Exemptions from offence**

Page 4, Schedule 2, proposed section 214A. Insert after line 17—

- (3B) A person does not commit an offence under this section if—
 - (a) the facility is a place at which animals are ordinarily held, and
 - (b) the person genuinely believes animal cruelty may be occurring at the facility.

No. 8 **Does not apply to political offices**

Page 4, Schedule 2, proposed section 214A. Insert after line 17—

- (3C) This section does not apply to the extent that it prohibits conduct in relation to any of the following—
 - (a) the NSW Parliament,
 - (b) a local council chambers,
 - (c) an office of—
 - (i) a member of the State or Commonwealth parliament, or
 - (ii) a candidate for election to the State or Commonwealth parliament.