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# Graffiti Legislation Amendment Bill 2011

## **Explanatory note**

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

## Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are as follows:

- (a) to amend the *Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987* and the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* to require a court making a community service order under those Acts in relation to persons guilty of offences under the *Graffiti Control Act 2008* to impose a condition requiring the persons to remove or obliterate graffiti and restore the appearance of buildings, vehicles, vessels or places consequent on the removal or obliteration of graffiti (unless it is not reasonably practicable for such work to be performed by the persons),
- (b) to amend the *Graffiti Control Act 2008* to enable a court to make certain orders with respect to the driver licence of a person who has committed an offence under section 4 (Damaging or defacing property by means of graffiti implement) or 5 (Possession of graffiti implement) of that Act instead of or in addition to imposing a fine, sentence of imprisonment or community service order on the offender,
- (c) to amend the *Young Offenders Act 1997* to remove the power for investigating officials and specialist youth officers to deal with young offenders who have

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committed graffiti offences by way of caution, warning or youth justice conference instead of court proceedings,

(d) to make various other consequential amendments.

### 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 on a day or days to be appointed by proclamation.

### Schedule 1 Amendment of Acts and Regulation

### Amendments to Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987

The Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987 (the 1987 Act) applies to a person who has pleaded guilty to an offence in, or has been found guilty or convicted of an offence by, a court and who was a child when the offence was committed and was under the age of 21 years when charged with the offence. Section 5 of the 1987 Act enables a court to make a community service order requiring such a person to perform community service work instead of imposing a sentence of imprisonment on, or making an order under the Children (Criminal Proceedings) Act 1987 in respect of, the person. Section 11 of the 1987 Act provides that the court may impose conditions on any community service order made by it. Schedule 1.1 [4] amends section 11 to require a court that makes such a community service order in respect of a person who has committed an offence under the Graffiti Control Act 2008 to impose a condition that the work to be performed by the person include the removal of graffiti from buildings, vehicles, vessels and places and the restoration of the appearance of buildings, vehicles, vessels and places consequent on the removal of graffiti from them unless it is not reasonably practicable for such work to be performed by the person. Schedule 1.1 [1]–[3] contain consequential provisions. Schedule 1.1 [5] and [6] enable the making of savings and transitional regulations and contain a savings provision.

### Amendments to Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999

Section 8 of the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* enables a court to make a community service order directing an offender other than one to whom the *Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987* applies to perform community service work instead of imposing a sentence of imprisonment on the offender. Section 90 of the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* provides that a court may impose such conditions on any order made by it as it considers appropriate. Schedule 1.2 [2] amends section 90 to require a court that makes such a community service order in respect of a person who has committed an offence under the *Graffiti Control Act 2008* to impose a condition that the work to be performed by the offender include the removal or obliteration of graffiti from buildings, vehicles, vessels and places consequent

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on the removal or obliteration of graffiti from them unless it is not reasonably practicable for such work to be performed by the offender. Schedule 1.2 [1] and [3]–[5] contain consequential, savings and transitional provisions.

### Amendments to Fines Act 1996

**Schedule 1.3** amends the *Fines Act 1996* as a consequence of the amendments to the *Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987* described above (section 11 of that Act extends to certain community service orders made under the *Fines Act 1996*).

### Amendments to Graffiti Control Act 2008

Section 4 of the Graffiti Control Act 2008 makes it an offence to intentionally damage or deface any premises or other property by means of a graffiti implement (that is, spray paint, a marker pen or any implement designed or modified to produce a mark that is not readily removable by wiping or by use of water or detergent). Section 5 of that Act makes it an offence to possess a graffiti implement with the intention that it be used to damage or deface premises or other property. Section 15 of that Act provides that a court may, instead of imposing a fine or sentencing a person to imprisonment for such an offence, impose a community service order recommending that the work to be performed by the offender include the removal or obliteration of graffiti from buildings, vehicles, vessels and places and the restoration of the appearance of buildings, vehicles, vessels and places consequent on the removal or obliteration of graffiti from them. Schedule 1.4 [2] omits section 15 from the Graffiti Control Act 2008, and Schedule 1.4 [1] inserts Part 4A into that Act to provide the court with an additional power to make an order extending the period of the offender's learner or provisional licence for a period of 6 months (or a lesser period specified in the order), suspending the offender's driver licence for a period of 6 months (or a lesser period specified in the order) or, as an alternative to suspension of an unrestricted licence, requiring the driver not to equal or exceed a specified threshold number of demerit points for an equivalent period (a driver licence order). Schedule 1.4 [3] and [4] enable the making of savings and transitional regulations and contain savings provisions.

### Amendments to Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1998

**Schedule 1.5 [1]** inserts section 16AB into the Act. The proposed section provides for the suspension of the unrestricted licence of a person who is subject to a driver licence order made under proposed section 13C (1) (c) of the *Graffiti Control Act 2008* if the person equals or exceeds a specified threshold number of demerit points during the period the order has effect. **Schedule 1.5 [2]** amends section 20 of the *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1998* to enable the making of regulations with respect to driver licences the subject of the proposed driver licence orders.

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#### Amendment to Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Regulation 2008

**Schedule 1.6** amends clause 31C (7) of the Regulation to make it clear that the subclause does not apply to extensions of provisional licence periods by a driver licence order.

### Amendments to Young Offenders Act 1997

The Young Offenders Act 1997 provides an alternative process to court proceedings for children alleged to have committed offences through the use of formal cautions, warnings and youth justice conferences. Schedule 1.7 [2], [3] and [5] amend sections 13, 18 and 31, respectively, of that Act so that formal cautions (other than cautions by courts) and warnings cannot be used in relation to offences against the *Graffiti Control Act 2008.* Schedule 1.7 [4] and [6] make consequential amendments. Schedule 1.7 [7] amends section 37 to ensure that a child who is alleged to have committed a graffiti offence has no entitlement to be dealt with by conference before criminal proceedings are commenced. Schedule 1.7 [8]-[10] amend section 38 to make it clear that a specialist youth officer cannot refer a child who is alleged to have committed a graffiti offence to a conference or for caution. Schedule 1.7 [11] amends section 40 of that Act so that a court will continue to be able to refer a matter involving a child who is alleged to have committed such an offence to a conference administrator for a youth justice conference. Schedule 1.7 [1] is a consequential provision that inserts a definition of graffiti offence. Schedule 1.7 [12] and [13] enable the making of savings and transitional regulations and contain savings provisions.

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No , 2011

### A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Graffiti Control Act 2008* and other Acts to make further provision with respect to the punishment of graffiti offences and removal or obliteration of graffiti; and for other purposes.

The	Legislature of New South Wales enacts:	1
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	This Act is the Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011.	3
2	Commencement	4
	This Act commences on a day or days to be appointed by proclamation.	5

Amendment of Acts and Regulation

Scł	nedule 1	Amendment of Acts and Regulation	1		
1.1	Children	(Community Service Orders) Act 1987 No 56	2		
[1]	Section 3	Definitions	3		
	Insert in alj	phabetical order in section 3 (1):	4		
		<i>graffiti offence</i> means an offence under the <i>Graffiti Control Act</i> 2008.	5 6		
[2]	Section 5	Making of children's community service orders	7		
		espect of a person who has pleaded guilty to, or been found guilty ed of, an offence other than a graffiti offence" after "section" in IA).	8 9 10		
[3]	Section 5	(1A), note	11		
	Insert at the	e end of section 5 (1A):	12		
		<b>Note.</b> See section 11 (3) in relation to community service orders in relation to graffiti offences.	13 14		
[4]	Section 11	Conditions of children's community service order	15		
	Insert after section 11 (2):				
	(3)	Except as provided by subsection (4), a community service order in respect of a person who has pleaded guilty to, or been found guilty or convicted of, a graffiti offence must impose a graffiti clean up condition.	17 18 19 20		
		<b>Note.</b> See also section 79 of the <i>Fines Act 1996</i> for imposition of graffiti clean up conditions on fine defaulters in respect of graffiti offences.	21 22		
	(4)	Without limiting section 9, the court is not required to impose a graffiti clean up condition if the court considers that it is not in the circumstances of the case reasonably practicable for work of that kind to be performed by the person.	23 24 25 26		
	(5)	The court must make a record of its reasons for deciding not to impose a graffiti clean up condition.	27 28		
	(6)	In this section:	29		
		<i>graffiti clean up condition</i> means a condition requiring the offender to perform the following kind of community service work:	30 31 32		
		(a) the removal of graffiti from buildings, vehicles, vessels and places,	33 34		

		(b)	the restoration of the appearance of buildings, vehicles, vessels and places consequent on the removal of graffiti from them.	1 2 3
[5]	Schedule 1	l Savir	ngs and transitional provisions	4
	Insert at the	e end of	f clause 1 (1):	5
			<i>fiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011</i> , to the extent that it it it ships Act	6 7
[6]	Schedule 1	l, clau	se 5	8
	Insert after	clause	4:	9
	5 Prov Ame	ision o ndmer	consequent on enactment of Graffiti Legislation nt Act 2011	10 11
		Act 2	amendments made by the <i>Graffiti Legislation Amendment</i> 2011 apply to community service orders made in relation to acces committed after the commencement of the amendments.	12 13 14
1.2	Crimes (	Sente	encing Procedure) Act 1999 No 92	15
[1]	Section 3 I	nterpr	etation	16
	Insert in alp	ohabeti	cal order in section 3 (1):	17
	_	<b>graff</b> 2008	<i>fiti offence</i> means an offence under the <i>Graffiti Control Act</i> .	18 19
[2]	Section 90	Condi	itions of community service orders	20
	Insert after	sectior	n 90 (4):	21
	(5)	in rel	pt as provided by subsection (6), a community service order lation to an offender who has been found guilty of a graffiti ace must impose a graffiti clean up condition.	22 23 24
	(6)	if the reaso	court is not required to impose a graffiti clean up condition court considers that it is not in the circumstances of the case mably practicable for work of that kind to be performed by ffender.	25 26 27 28
	(7)		court must make a record of its reasons for deciding not to se a graffiti clean up condition.	29 30

	(8)	In this section:	1	
		graffiti clean up condition means a condition requiring the	2	
		offender to perform community service work of the following kind:	3 4	
		(a) the removal or obliteration of graffiti from buildings, vehicles, vessels and places,	5 6	
		(b) the restoration of the appearance of buildings, vehicles,	7	
		vessels and places consequent on the removal or obliteration of graffiti from them.	8 9	
[3]	Section 91	Removal of graffiti	10	
	Insert "in re	elation to an offence other than a graffiti offence" after "order".	11	
[4]	Schedule 2	2 Savings, transitional and other provisions	12	
	Insert at the	e end of clause 1 (1):	13	
		<i>Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011</i> (but only to the extent that it amends this Act)	14 15	
[5]	Schedule 2	2, Part 22	16	
	Insert after	Part 21:	17	
	Part 22	Provision consequent on enactment of	18	
		Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011	19	
	63 Cond	ditions of community service orders	20	
		The amendments made by the Graffiti Legislation Amendment	21	
		<i>Act 2011</i> apply to community service orders made in relation to offences committed after the commencement of the amendments.	22 23	
		offences commuted and the commencement of the amendments.	23	
1.3	Fines Ac	t 1996 No 99	24	
[1]	Section 79	Making of community service order against fine defaulter	25	
	Insert after section 79 (6):			
	(6A)	Subject to this Division, section 11 of the Children (Community	27	
		Service Orders) Act 1987 applies to a community service order under this Act requiring a fine defaulter to perform community	28 29	

Sect		service work in relation to a graffiti offence within the meaning of that Act in the same way as it applies to a community service order under that Act. <b>Note.</b> Section 11 of the <i>Children (Community Service Orders)</i> Act 1987 requires a community service order to require the offender to perform	1 2 3 4
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Sect		graffiti clean up.	4 5 6
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Gra	ffiti C	ontrol Act 2008 No 100	9
Part	4A		10
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		<i>demerit points register</i> has the same meaning as it has in the Driver Licensing Act.	18 19
		<i>driver licence</i> means a driver licence within the meaning of the Driver Licensing Act other than a driver licence issued under a law of another State or a Territory.	20 21 22
		driver licence order—see section 13C.	23
		<b>Driver Licensing Act</b> means the Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1998.	24 25
		<i>graffiti licence order</i> means an order under section 13C (1) (c).	26
		graffiti licence order period—see section 13C (1) (c).	27
		<i>learner licence</i> means a learner licence within the meaning of the Driver Licensing Act.	28 29
		<i>learner licence period</i> , in relation to a learner licence held by a	30
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		provisional licence may be issued.	34
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*provisional licence* means a provisional licence within the meaning of the Driver Licensing Act other than a provisional licence issued under a law of another State or a Territory.

*provisional licence period*, in relation to a provisional licence held by a person, means the minimum period for which the person is required, pursuant to the regulations under the Driver Licensing Act, to hold the provisional licence before being eligible to apply for a provisional P2 licence or an unrestricted licence (as the case requires).

**Note.** The scheme under Subdivisions 1 and 2 of Division 2 of Part 3 of the *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Regulation 2008* requires a person to hold a provisional licence (that is, a P1 licence followed by a P2 licence) for a total period of 36 months before the person can be issued with an unrestricted licence. If a court takes action under this Part, the total period will in effect be extended to up to 42 months.

*unrestricted licence* means a driver licence or driver licence receipt issued under the Driver Licensing Act that is not a learner licence or a provisional licence.

## 13B Alternative and additional actions to imposing penalty for graffiti offences under sections 4 and 5

(1) A court may, instead of imposing a fine on a person for an offence under section 4 (Damaging or defacing property by means of graffiti implement) or 5 (Possession of graffiti implement), make a community service order under the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* or the *Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987* directing the person to perform community service work, as the case requires.

**Note.** Community service orders made under the Acts referred to in this subsection may also be made instead of imposing sentences of imprisonment. Community service orders under those Acts in relation to graffiti offences are generally required to be made subject to graffiti clean up conditions.

(2) A court may, in addition to or instead of imposing a fine on a person, sentencing the person to imprisonment or imposing any other penalty on the person for an offence under section 4 or 5, make a driver licence order.

**Note.** For example, a driver licence order might be imposed in addition to graffiti clean up conditions in relation to community service orders imposed instead of imprisonment for graffiti offences under the *Crimes* (*Sentencing Procedure*) *Act 1999* or the *Children (Community Service Orders) Act 1987*.

#### 13C Driver licence orders

- (1) A court may make any of the following orders (*driver licence orders*) under section 13B (2):
  - (a) if the person is the holder of a learner licence or provisional licence—an order extending the person's learner licence period or provisional licence period, respectively, for a period of 6 months, or a lesser period specified in the order, with effect from the day on which the learner licence period or provisional licence period would otherwise end,

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- (b) if the person is the holder of a driver licence of any class an order suspending the person's licence for a period of 6 months, or a lesser period specified in the order, commencing on the day on which the order is made,
- (c) as an alternative to suspending an unrestricted licence for a period under paragraph (b)—an order requiring the person not to incur the same or more than the threshold number of demerit points applying to the person under section 13F for a period that is equivalent to the period for which the court would have suspended the licence (the *graffiti licence order period*).
- (2) A court must not make an order under subsection (1) (c) if 10 or more demerit points have been recorded against the person in the demerit points register during the 3 year period immediately before the order is made.

### 13D Orders extending learner and provisional licence periods

- (1) The extension of a person's learner or provisional licence period by an order under section 13C, in the case of a person who holds more than one class of driver licence, applies only to those classes of licence specified by the court.
- (2) If, in the case of a learner licence or provisional licence that is subject to an extension under section 13C, the licence is cancelled at any time by operation of section 189 of the *Road Transport (General) Act 2005*, the learner licence period or provisional licence period in respect of any subsequent learner licence or provisional licence that is issued to the person is extended by operation of this subsection for a period that is equivalent to so much of the period by which the licence was extended as remained on the day the licence was cancelled.
- (3) The period for which a person's learner licence or provisional licence period may be extended by an order under section 13C

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does not include any period during which the person's learner licence or provisional licence is suspended by the Authority otherwise than on medical grounds.

### 13E Orders suspending licences

The suspension of a person's driver licence by an order under section 13C, in the case of a person who holds more than one class of driver licence, applies only to those classes of licence specified by the court.

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### 13F Graffiti licence orders

(1) A graffiti licence order made in relation to a person who is the holder of an unrestricted licence must specify the threshold number of demerit points to apply to the holder for the purposes of the Driver Licensing Act during the graffiti licence order period.

**Note.** See section 16AB of the *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act* 1998 with respect to licence suspension when the threshold number of demerit points is incurred.

(2) In subsection (1), *threshold number of demerit points* means 4 demerit points or such other number of demerit points as may be prescribed by the regulations.

### 13G Explanation of nature and effect of driver licence order

- (1) A court that makes a driver licence order in respect of a person must explain, or cause to be explained, to the offender (in language likely to be readily understood by the person):
  - (a) the requirements to be complied with by the person under the order, and
  - (b) the consequences that may follow if the person fails to comply with those requirements.
- (2) A driver licence order is not invalidated by a failure to comply with this section.

# 13H Provisions relating to imposition of penalties for offences under sections 4 and 5

- (1) A court is to take into account a statement of the driving record of a person in making a driver licence order in relation to a licence held by the person.
- (2) A court is to notify the Authority of the making, and terms, of any driver licence order it makes under this Part as soon as practicable after the order is made.

	dule 1	A	mendment of Acts and Regulation	
		(3)	If a finding of guilt, conviction or sentence in respect of an offence under section 4 or 5 is quashed, annulled or set aside, any driver licence order made in respect of the offence is revoked.	
		(4)	A driver licence order is not invalidated by a failure to comply with this section.	
[2]	Secti unde	on 15 r sect	Alternative action to imposing penalty for graffiti offences tions 4 and 5	
	Omit	the se	ection.	
[3]	Sche	dule '	1 Savings, transitional and other provisions	
	Inser	t at the	e end of clause 1 (1):	
			Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011, to the extent that it amends this Act	
[4]	Sche	dule '	1, Part 4	
	Inser	t after	Part 3:	
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1.5			<b>lication of amendments</b> An amendment made to this Act by the <i>Graffiti Legislation</i> <i>Amendment Act 2011</i> that provides for the making of a driver licence order in respect of an offence under this Act applies in respect of an offence committed after the commencement of the	
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	Roa Secti	d Tra on 16 t after	<b>lication of amendments</b> An amendment made to this Act by the <i>Graffiti Legislation</i> <i>Amendment Act 2011</i> that provides for the making of a driver licence order in respect of an offence under this Act applies in respect of an offence committed after the commencement of the amendment. <b>Amsport (Driver Licensing) Act 1998 No 99</b>	

		on a the g <b>Note</b> . <i>Graffi</i>	ending all driver licences held by the person, commencing day specified in the notice, for a period that is equivalent to raffiti licence order period. At the commencement of this section, section 13F (2) of the <i>ti Control Act 2008</i> required a graffiti licence order to specify the hold number of demerit points as 4 demerit points.	1 2 3 4 5 6
	(2)	subse regis at the	the commencement of the period of suspension referred to in ection (1), all demerit points recorded in the demerit points ter against the person during the graffiti licence order period e date of the notice, and taken into account for the purpose of otice, are taken to be deleted.	7 8 9 10 11
	(3)	the p perio purpo	ing in subsection (2) affects any demerit points incurred by berson before the beginning of the graffiti licence order d and any such points are to be taken into account for the oses of section 16 (2) or 16A (1) from the end of the ension period.	12 13 14 15 16
	(4)		ing in subsection (2) prevents the Authority from retaining ds of deleted demerit points incurred by any person.	17 18
[2]	Section 20	Drive	r licensing system	19
	Insert after	section	n 20 (2) (m1):	20
		(m2)	make provision for or with respect to driver licences the subject of graffiti licence orders under the <i>Graffiti Control</i> Act 2008, and	21 22 23
[3]	Section 33	A Effe	ct of expiry of driver licence during suspension period	24
	Insert "or se	ection	13C of the Graffiti Control Act 2008" after "1999".	25
1.6	Road Tra	inspo	ort (Driver Licensing) Regulation 2008	26
	Clause 310	C Auth	ority may extend provisional licence period	27
	Insert "und	er this	clause" after "extended" in clause 31C (7).	28
1.7	Young O	ffend	ers Act 1997 No 54	29
[1]	Section 4	Definit	ions	30
	Insert in alp	ohabeti	cal order:	31
			fiti offence means an offence committed under the Graffiti rol Act 2008.	32 33
[2]	Section 13	Offen	ces for which warnings may be given	34
	Omit "other	r than a	an". Insert instead "other than a graffiti offence or any other".	35

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[3]	Section 18	1
	Omit the section. Insert instead:	2
	Division 1 Cautions by persons other than courts	3
	18 Offences for which cautions may be given	4
	A caution may be given for an offence covered by this Act, other than a graffiti offence or any other offence prescribed by the regulations for the purposes of this section. <b>Note.</b> Section 8 sets out offences covered by this Act. Under section 31, a court may give a caution for a graffiti offence.	5 6 7 8 9
[4]	Part 4, Division 2, heading	10
	Insert after section 30:	11
	Division 2 Cautions by courts	12
[5]	Section 31 Cautions by courts	13
	Omit "this Part" from section 31 (1) (a).	14
	Insert instead "Division 1 or is a graffiti offence".	15
[6]	Part 4, Division 3, heading	16
	Insert after section 31:	17
	Division 3 Cautions generally	18
[7]	Section 37 Entitlement to be dealt with by conference	19
	Insert "(other than a graffiti offence)" after "offence" in section 37 (1).	20
[8]	Section 38 Determinations by specialist youth officers	21
	Insert "(other than a graffiti offence)" after "alleged offence" in section 38 (1).	22
[9]	Section 38 (2)	23
	Omit "should". Insert instead "can and should".	24
[10]	Section 38 (2), note	25
	Insert at the end of section 38 (2): <b>Note.</b> Graffiti offences cannot be dealt with by caution except by a court—see section 18.	26 27 28

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[11]	Section 40	Referrals for conferences by DPP and courts	1	
	Omit section 40 (1). Insert instead:			
	(1)	The Director of Public Prosecutions may refer a matter involving a child who is alleged to have committed an offence to a conference administrator for a conference if:	3 4 5	
		(a) the offence is one (other than a graffiti offence) for which a conference may be held, and	6 7	
		(b) the child admits the offence, and	8	
		(c) the child consents to the holding of the conference, and	9	
		(d) the Director is of the opinion that a conference should be held under this Part.	10 11	
	(1A)	A court may refer a matter involving a child who is alleged to have committed an offence to a conference administrator for a conference if:	12 13 14	
		(a) the offence is one for which a conference may be held, and	15	
		(b) the child admits the offence, and	16	
		(c) the court is of the opinion that a conference should be held under this Part.	17 18	
[12]	Schedule	3 Savings and transitional provisions	19	
	Insert at the	e end of clause 1 (1):	20	
		Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011, to the extent that it amends this Act	21 22	
[13]	Schedule	3, Part 4	23	
	Insert after Part 3:			
	Part 4	Provisions consequent on enactment of Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011	25 26	
	7 Арр	lication of amendments	27	
	(1)	In this Part:	28	
		amending Act means the Graffiti Legislation Amendment Act 2011.	29 30	

Schedule 1 Amendment of Acts and Regulation

(2) An amendment made to this Act by the amending Act relating to the giving of cautions or warnings with respect to an offence committed under the *Graffiti Control Act 2008* applies in respect of an offence committed after the commencement of the amendment.