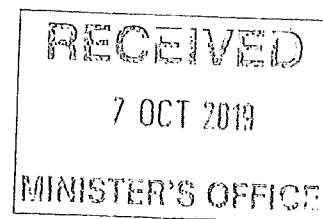





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Dear ~~Attorney General~~ 

Thank you for your letter of 26 August 2019 regarding the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2019* (WA) (the Bill) and the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth) (the Criminal Code).

I appreciate your assurance that consideration has been given to the interaction between the Bill and Criminal Code and your advice on the clauses that have been included in the Bill to avoid inconsistency with the offences in the Criminal Code. Further, as discussed in our meeting on 24 September 2019, it appears that the Western Australian Government is aware of the administration their processes must entail to ensure that there are no prospects of enlivening the relevant Commonwealth offences.

Officers from my department are available to assist officers from your department and the Western Australian Department of Health in further considering any potential interaction arising from the implementation of the Bill, if enacted.

Thank you again for raising this matter with me.

Yours sincerely

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