

Dangerous Sexual Offenders Legislation Amendment Bill 2017

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Western Australia

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**Dangerous Sexual Offenders Legislation
Amendment Bill 2017**

A Bill for

***An Act to amend the *Bail Act 1982* and the *Dangerous Sexual
Offenders Act 2006*.***

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

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Part 1 — Preliminary

1. Short title

This is the *Dangerous Sexual Offenders Legislation Amendment Act 2017*.

2. Commencement

This Act comes into operation as follows —

- (a) Part 1 — on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent;
- (b) the rest of the Act — on a day fixed by proclamation, and different days may be fixed for different provisions.

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Part 2 — *Bail Act 1982* amended

3. Act amended

This Part amends the *Bail Act 1982*.

4. Section 6 amended

In section 6(2)(b) delete “clause 3A of Part C of Schedule 1.” and insert:

Schedule 1 Part C clauses 3A and 3D.

5. Section 7 amended

In section 7(5) delete “clause 3A of Part C of Schedule 1.” and insert:

Schedule 1 Part C clauses 3A and 3D.

6. Section 26 amended

(1) In section 26(1)(ba) delete “a serious offence to which Schedule 1 Part C clause 3A” and insert:

an offence to which Schedule 1 Part C clause 3A or 3D

(2) In section 26(2)(aa) delete “a serious offence to which Schedule 1 Part C clause 3A” and insert:

an offence to which Schedule 1 Part C clause 3A or 3D

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- 1 **7. Schedule 1 Part C clause 1 amended**
- 2 In Schedule 1 Part C clause 1 delete “clauses 3A and 3C,” and
- 3 insert:
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- 5 clauses 3A, 3C and 3D,
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- 7 **8. Schedule 1 Part C clause 2 amended**
- 8 In Schedule 1 Part C clause 2(3) delete paragraph (a) and insert:
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- 10 (a) clauses 3A, 3C and 3D; and
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- 12 **9. Schedule 1 Part C clause 3D inserted**
- 13 After Schedule 1 Part C clause 3C insert:
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- 15 **3D. Bail in cases of offence under *Dangerous Sexual***
- 16 ***Offenders Act 2006* section 40A**
- 17 (1) In this clause —
- 18 *section 40A offence* means the offence under the *Dangerous*
- 19 *Sexual Offenders Act 2006* section 40A of contravening a
- 20 requirement of a supervision order;
- 21 *victim* has the meaning given in the *Dangerous Sexual*
- 22 *Offenders Act 2006* section 3(1).
- 23 (2) This clause applies where an accused is in custody —
- 24 (a) awaiting an appearance in court before conviction
- 25 for a section 40A offence; or
- 26 (b) waiting to be sentenced or otherwise dealt with for a
- 27 section 40A offence of which the accused has been
- 28 convicted.

- 1 (3) Despite clause 1, 2 or 4 or any other provision of this Act,
 2 where this clause applies the judicial officer or (if
 3 section 16A does not apply) the authorised officer in whom
 4 jurisdiction is vested must refuse to grant bail for the
 5 section 40A offence unless the judicial officer or authorised
 6 officer —
- 7 (a) is satisfied that there are exceptional reasons why
 8 the accused should not be kept in custody; and
- 9 (b) is satisfied that bail may properly be granted having
 10 regard to the provisions of clauses 1 and 3 or, in the
 11 case of a child, clauses 2 and 3.
- 12 (4) The judicial officer or authorised officer must in making any
 13 decision for the purposes of subclause (3) —
- 14 (a) have regard to —
- 15 (i) any history of proven or alleged
 16 contraventions of supervision orders by the
 17 accused; and
- 18 (ii) any adverse effect that a grant of bail to the
 19 accused would have on a victim of the
 20 accused;
- 21 and
- 22 (b) consider whether it would be appropriate to refuse
 23 bail and make a hospital order under the *Criminal*
 24 *Law (Mentally Impaired Accused) Act 1996*
 25 section 5; and
- 26 (c) consider whether the conduct alleged to amount to
 27 the contravention in itself appears to be minor or
 28 trivial.
- 29 (5) Subclause (4) does not limit the matters that the judicial
 30 officer or authorised officer may take into account for the
 31 purposes of subclause (3).
- 32 (6) Despite section 7(1), where an accused is refused bail under
 33 subclause (3) for an appearance for a section 40A offence
 34 the accused’s case for bail need not be considered again
 35 under that subsection for an appearance for that offence

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- 1 unless the accused satisfies the judicial officer who may
2 order detention that —
- 3 (a) new facts have been discovered, new circumstances
4 have arisen or the circumstances have changed
5 since bail was refused; or
- 6 (b) the accused failed adequately to present the case for
7 bail on the occasion of that refusal.
- 8 (7) A child accused who is refused bail under subclause (3)
9 must be dealt with in accordance with the *Young Offenders*
10 *Act 1994* section 19(2).

11 **10. Schedule 1 Part C clause 4 amended**

12 In Schedule 1 Part C clause 4(1) delete “clauses 3A and 3C,” and
13 insert:

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15 clauses 3A, 3C and 3D,
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1 **Part 3 — *Dangerous Sexual Offenders***
2 ***Act 2006* amended**

3 **11. Act amended**

4 This Part amends the *Dangerous Sexual Offenders Act 2006*.

5 **12. Section 3 amended**

6 (1) In section 3(1) insert in alphabetical order:

7
8 ***standard condition***, in relation to a supervision order,
9 means a condition which under section 18(1) must be
10 included in the order;

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12 (2) In section 3(1) in the definition of ***supervision order*** delete
13 “section 17(1)(b)” and insert:

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15 section 17(1)(b), 27A(5)

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17 **13. Section 4A replaced**

18 Delete section 4A and insert:

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20 **4A. References to commission of a serious sexual offence**

21 (1) For the purposes of this Act, unless the contrary
22 intention appears, a reference to the commission of a
23 serious sexual offence includes a reference to —

- 24 (a) the doing of an act or the making of an
25 omission in any State or Territory that
26 constitutes a serious sexual offence; or
27 (b) the doing of an act or the making of an
28 omission outside Australia that, if done within

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- 1 this State, would constitute a serious sexual
2 offence.
- 3 (2) For the purposes of subsection (1), it makes no
4 difference whether a person doing an act or making an
5 omission referred to in that subsection —
- 6 (a) would be likely to be charged with an offence;
7 or
8 (b) would, if charged with an offence, be found
9 mentally fit to stand trial; or
10 (c) would, if tried for an offence, be convicted.
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12 **14. Section 8 amended**

- 13 (1) In section 8(4A) delete “a further supervision order under
14 section 17(1)(b) in relation to the offender, the further order”
15 and insert:
16
- 17 a Division 2 order in relation to the offender, the Division 2
18 order
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- 20 (2) After section 8(4A) insert:
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- 22 (4B) An application under subsection (4A) must specify
23 whether the Division 2 order sought is a continuing
24 detention order or a supervision order under
25 section 17(1)(b).
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1 **15. Section 17A amended**

2 In section 17A(2):

3 (a) in paragraph (a) after “section 8(1)” insert:

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5 or (4A)

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7 (b) delete paragraph (b).

8 **16. Section 17 amended**

9 (1) In section 17(2) delete “In deciding” and insert:

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11 Subject to subsection (3), in deciding

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13 (2) Delete section 17(3) and insert:

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15 (3) A court cannot make an order under subsection (1)(b)
16 unless it is satisfied, on the balance of probabilities,
17 that the offender will substantially comply with the
18 standard conditions of the order.

19 (4) The onus of proof as to the matter described in
20 subsection (3) is on the offender.

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22 **17. Section 20 amended**

23 Delete section 20(2) and insert:

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25 (2) Before amending the conditions the court must be
26 satisfied —

27 (a) that it is reasonable to make the amendment in
28 all the circumstances; and

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- 1 (b) that the conditions, as amended, will be
2 sufficient to ensure adequate protection of the
3 community; and
4 (c) if the application is made by the person who is
5 subject to the supervision order, that the person
6 will substantially comply with the standard
7 conditions of the order as amended.
- 8 (3) The onus of proof as to the matter described in
9 subsection (2)(c) is on the person who is subject to the
10 supervision order.
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12 **18. Section 21 amended**

- 13 (1) In section 21(1) delete “summons or”.
- 14 (2) Delete section 21(2) and (3) and insert:
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16 (2) Subject to subsection (5), if the magistrate is satisfied
17 that there are reasonable grounds for the suspicion
18 described in subsection (1), the magistrate must issue,
19 in the form approved under section 46, a warrant
20 directed to all members of the police force for the
21 person who is subject to the supervision order to be
22 arrested and brought before the Supreme Court for it to
23 consider the suspected or anticipated contravention.
- 24 (3) The warrant must state the suspected or anticipated
25 contravention, and may state it in general terms.
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- 27 (3) Delete section 21(4).

28 Note: The heading to amended section 21 is to read:
29 **Warrant because of contravention**

1 **19. Section 22 replaced**

2 Delete section 22 and insert:

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4 **22. DPP may seek orders**

5 (1) This section applies to —

6 (a) a person who is brought before the Supreme
7 Court under a warrant issued under section 21
8 or 24A(5)(d); and

9 (b) a person who is charged with an offence under
10 section 40A.

11 (2) In relation to a person to whom this section applies, the
12 DPP may apply for —

13 (a) an order under section 23; and

14 (b) an order for the person to be detained in
15 custody while proceedings on the application
16 for an order under section 23 are pending.

17 (3) The application must state what order is sought under
18 section 23.

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20 **20. Section 23 amended**

21 (1) Delete section 23(1) and (2A) and insert:

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23 (1) If, on the hearing of an application under section 22,
24 the court is satisfied, on the balance of probabilities,
25 that the person to whom the application relates has
26 contravened or is contravening a condition of a
27 supervision order, the court must —

28 (a) rescind the supervision order and make a
29 continuing detention order in relation to the
30 person; or

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- 1 (b) subject to subsection (1B), make an order
2 amending the conditions of the supervision
3 order, or extending the period for which the
4 person is to be subject to the supervision order,
5 or both; or
- 6 (c) subject to subsection (1B), make an order
7 affirming the supervision order without
8 amendment or extension.
- 9 (1A) If, on the hearing of an application under section 22,
10 the court is satisfied, on the balance of probabilities,
11 that the person to whom the application relates is likely
12 to contravene a condition of a supervision order, the
13 court must —
- 14 (a) rescind the supervision order and make a
15 continuing detention order in relation to the
16 person; or
- 17 (b) subject to subsection (1B), make an order —
- 18 (i) amending the conditions of the
19 supervision order; or
- 20 (ii) both amending the conditions of, and
21 extending the period for which the
22 person is to be subject to, the
23 supervision order.
- 24 (1B) A court cannot make an order under subsection (1)(b)
25 or (c) or (1A)(b) unless it is satisfied, on the balance of
26 probabilities, that the person will substantially comply
27 with the standard conditions or amended standard
28 conditions of the supervision order.
- 29 (1C) The onus of proof as to the matter described in
30 subsection (1B) is on the person to whom the
31 application relates.
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1 (2) In section 23(2) delete “whether to make an order under
2 subsection (1),” and insert:

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4 which order to make under subsection (1) or (1A),

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6 **21. Section 24A amended**

7 (1) Delete section 24A(2)(a) and (b) and insert:

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9 (a) if the person is detained in custody, order the
10 person to be released, subject to subsection (3);
11 or

12 (b) if the person is not detained in custody, order
13 the person to be detained in custody.

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15 (2) Delete section 24A(3) and insert:

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17 (3) The court cannot order the person to be released unless
18 it is satisfied, on the balance of probabilities —

19 (a) that releasing the person is justified by
20 exceptional circumstances; and

21 (b) that the person will substantially comply with
22 the standard conditions of the supervision
23 order, including any amendments to the
24 standard conditions made under
25 subsection (5)(b).

26 (3A) The onus of proof as to the matter described in
27 subsection (3)(b) is on the person.

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1 **22. Section 27A inserted**

2 At the end of Part 2 Division 6 insert:

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4 **27A. Interim supervision orders**

5 (1) In this section —

6 *specified* means specified by the court in an order made
7 under this section.

8 (2) This section applies if —

9 (a) proceedings on an application made under
10 section 8(1) or (4A), 19 or 22 are pending (the
11 *pending proceedings*); and

12 (b) the person to whom the pending proceedings
13 relate is not in custody; and

14 (c) the court is satisfied that, to ensure adequate
15 protection of the community, it is desirable to
16 make an order under this section.

17 (3) If the person is subject to a supervision order which
18 may otherwise expire before the pending proceedings
19 are finally determined, the court may at any time in the
20 pending proceedings order that the supervision order is
21 to continue until the pending proceedings are finally
22 determined or until another specified date.

23 (4) If the person has been subject to a supervision order
24 which has expired, the court may at any time in the
25 pending proceedings order that the supervision order is
26 to be reinstated with effect from a specified date and is
27 to continue until the pending proceedings are finally
28 determined or until another specified date.

29 (5) In any other case, the court may at any time in the
30 pending proceedings order that, with effect from a
31 specified date and until the pending proceedings are
32 finally determined or until another specified date, the

1 offender is to be subject to stated conditions that the
2 court, subject to section 18, considers appropriate.
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4 **23. Section 33 amended**

5 (1) In section 33(3) delete “In making” and insert:
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7 Subject to subsection (4), in making
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9 (2) After section 33(3) insert:
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11 (4) A court cannot make an order under
12 subsection (1)(b)(ii) unless it is satisfied, on the
13 balance of probabilities, that the person will
14 substantially comply with the standard conditions of
15 the order.

16 (5) The onus of proof as to the matter described in
17 subsection (4) is on the person.
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