

FACT SHEET

Sentencing Amendment (Sentences of Imprisonment) Bill 2017

The *Sentencing Amendment (Sentences of Imprisonment) Bill 2017* is part of the State Government's response to the KPMG Audit Report on Sentence and Remand Order Processing in Tasmania.

The Bill sets out a range of details that need to be contained in a sentencing order. These include specifying any non-parole period that the offender must serve and specifying whether multiple sentences are to be served concurrently or cumulatively.

This Bill is not intended as a reflection on the excellent work done by the State's judiciary. Rather it is intended to set down a checklist of information to be provided through the sentencing order to ensure orders are clear and consistent.

This will enable orders to be better understood by the offender and others involved in the proceeding as well as allowing the information contained in the order to be more efficiently processed into the relevant database.

The Bill does not confer a power to sentence or provide grounds for invalidating a sentence.