

TASMANIA

EVIDENCE (CHILDREN AND SPECIAL WITNESSES) AMENDMENT BILL 2025

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This Public Bill originated in the House of Assembly, and, having this day passed, is now ready for presentation to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

LAURA ROSS, *Clerk of the House*
6 May 2025

(Brought in by the Minister for Justice, the Honourable Guy Barnett)

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Act 2001*

Be it enacted by Her Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Amendment Act 2025*.

2. Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

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3. Principal Act

In this Act, the *Evidence (Children and Special Witnesses) Act 2001** is referred to as the Principal Act.

4. Section 7C amended (Unauthorised possession or dealing in video-taped evidence)

Section 7C(3)(b) of the Principal Act is amended by inserting “, a judge, the Associate Judge of the Supreme Court, or the Registrar of the Supreme Court,” after “Officer”.

5. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the first anniversary of the day on which this Act commenced.

*No. 79 of 2001