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*(Brought in by the Minister for Health, the Honourable
Michael Darrel Joseph Ferguson)*

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Corrections Act 1997*

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 *Corrections Amendment (Parole Board) Act 2015*.

2. Commencement

This Act commences on a day to be proclaimed.

3. Principal Act

In this Act, the *Corrections Act 1997** is referred to as the Principal Act.

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4. Section 62 amended (Establishment of Parole Board)

Section 62(2) of the Principal Act is amended by omitting paragraph (b) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- (b) one is to be a person who the Governor is satisfied is experienced in matters associated with sociology, criminology, penology or medicine or who possesses any other knowledge or experience that the Governor considers is appropriate for the purpose; and
- (c) one is to be a person who –
 - (i) has knowledge and experience of victim of crime matters; and
 - (ii) is experienced in matters associated with sociology, criminology, penology or medicine.

5. Schedule 2 amended (Membership and Meetings of Board)

Clause 7 of Schedule 2 to the Principal Act is amended by omitting subclause (2) and substituting the following subclause:

- (2) If a member of the Board is absent from a meeting of the Board –
 - (a) the deputy of the chairperson is entitled to attend the meeting and,

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when so attending, is taken to be a member of the Board; and

- (b) in the case where the chairperson of the Board is absent, the deputy of the chairperson is taken to be the chairperson.

6. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the three hundred and sixty fifth day from the day on which it commences.