

## **FACT SHEET**

### **CLASSIFICATION (PUBLICATIONS, FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES) ENFORCEMENT AMENDMENT BILL 2012**

The purpose of this Bill is to facilitate the sale of computer games classified R18+ (restricted to persons 18 years of age or older) in Tasmania. The Bill is the culmination of extensive work undertaken by Censorship Ministers and the Standing Council on Law and Justice.

Commonwealth legislation to facilitate an R18+ classification for computer games in Australia has already passed the Federal Parliament and that legislation is set to commence on 1 January 2013.

To facilitate the sale of these games in Tasmania, the *Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995* needs amending. This piece of legislation governs what may be sold and exhibited in Tasmania, how it may be sold or exhibited, and to whom.

Generally the rules about advertising and sale of R18+ games are the same as the rules for the advertising and sale of R18+ films.