

## FACT SHEET

### ***Police Offences Amendment (Begging) Bill 2016***

The *Police Offences Amendment (Begging) Bill 2016* will amend the *Police Offences Act 1935* to ensure that begging is no longer an offence in Tasmania.

Section 8 has had many provisions removed over the last two decades. The removal of the begging subsections, (1) and (1AA), from section 8 means that only one provision, relating to public obscene exposure, remains.

The current title of clause 8, “Begging, imposition, &c.” is no longer appropriate after the removal of the subsections relating to begging. This Bill deletes section 8 and replaces it with a new section 8.

The new section 8 retains the remaining provisions, (1A) and (1AB), and replaces the title with a more appropriate one, “Public obscene exposure”.