



Australian Capital Territory

# Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Act 2025

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An Act to amend the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* and the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002*, and for other purposes

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The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

## Part 1 Preliminary

### 1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Act 2025*.

### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the day after its notification day.

*Note* The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see [Legislation Act](#), s 75 (1)).

### 3 Legislation amended

This Act amends the following legislation:

- [Road Transport \(Public Passenger Services\) Act 2001](#)
- [Road Transport \(Public Passenger Services\) Regulation 2002](#).

*Note* This Act also amends the [Road Transport \(Offences\) Regulation 2005](#) (see sch 1).

## Part 2                      Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001

### 4                      New section 27AA

*in division 2.5, insert*

#### 27AA              Regulations about bus stops and surrounding areas

A regulation may make provision in relation to—

- (a) the conduct of people at bus stops and areas surrounding bus stops for the purpose of safety; and
- (b) the authority of police officers and authorised people to direct people contravening a regulation to leave a bus stop or a stated area surrounding the bus stop; and
- (c) the authority of police officers to remove people from a bus stop or surrounding area if they fail to comply with a direction to leave the bus stop or surrounding area.

### 5                      Dictionary, note 3

*insert*

- authorised person

## Part 3 Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002

### 6 Offences against regulation—application of Criminal Code etc Section 4A, note 1

*omit*

pt 3.3 (Bus passengers)

*substitute*

pt 3.3 (Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas)

### 7 Part 3.3 heading

*substitute*

## Part 3.3 Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas

### 8 New section 51A

*in part 3.3, insert*

#### 51A Meaning of *bus stop area*—pt 3.3

(1) In this part:

*bus stop area* means the area within a 20m radius of a bus stop sign that is public unleased land.

(2) In this section:

*bus stop sign*—see section 70 (2).

*public unleased land*—see the [Public Unleased Land Act 2013](#), section 8.

**9 Behaviour that interferes with comfort or safety  
New section 52 (3A) and (3B)**

*insert*

- (3A) A person commits an offence if the person—
- (a) is in a bus stop area; and
  - (b) behaves in an aggressive or menacing way.

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.

- (3B) A person commits an offence if the person—
- (a) is in a bus stop area; and
  - (b) unreasonably interferes with the safety of someone else.

Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.

**10 Section 52 (4)**

*omit*

subsection (1) or (2)

*substitute*

subsection (1), (2) or (3A)

**11      Bus driver, authorised person or police officer—power to direct person to get off, or not get on, bus**  
**Section 66C (1) (a) (ii)**

*omit*

part 3.3 (Bus passengers)

*substitute*

part 3.3 (Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas)

**12      New sections 67AA and 67AB**

*in part 3.3, insert*

**67AA      Police officer or authorised person—power to direct person to leave bus stop area**

- (1) A police officer or authorised person may direct a person to leave a bus stop area if the police officer or authorised person believes on reasonable grounds that the person is committing, or has just committed, an offence against section 52 (2) (b) (iii), (3A) or (3B).
- (2) The police officer or authorised person who gives a person a direction must tell the person the bus stop area to which the direction applies.
- (3) A person commits an offence if the person—
  - (a) is given a direction under subsection (1); and
  - (b) fails to comply with the direction.

Maximum penalty: 5 penalty units.

- (4) An offence against this section is a strict liability offence.



**67AB Police officer—power to remove person from bus stop area**

A police officer may remove a person from a bus stop area if the person—

- (a) is given a direction under section 67AA; and
- (b) fails to comply with the direction.

**13 Dictionary, new definition of *bus stop area***

*insert*

***bus stop area***, for part 3.3 (Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas)—see section 51A.

Schedule 1 Road Transport (Offences) Regulation 2005—Consequential amendments

(see s 3)

[1.1] Schedule 1, part 1.14, new items 72A and 72B

insert

72A	52 (3A)				
72A.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>child</li></ul>	aggressive/menacing behaviour in bus stop area—child	10	75	-
72A.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>adult</li></ul>	aggressive/menacing behaviour in bus stop area—adult	10	380	-

72B	52 (3B)	unreasonably interfere with safety of someone else in bus stop area	10	-	-
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**[1.2] Schedule 1, part 1.14, new item 101A***insert*

101A	67AA (3)				
101A.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>child</li></ul>	not comply with direction of police officer/authorised person—child	5	75	-
101A.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>adult</li></ul>	not comply with direction of police officer/authorised person—adult	5	261	-

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## Endnotes

**1 Presentation speech**

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 3 September 2025.

**2 Notification**

Notified under the [Legislation Act](#) on 12 November 2025.

**3 Republications of amended laws**

For the latest republication of amended laws, see [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au).

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I certify that the above is a true copy of the Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Bill 2025, which was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 29 October 2025.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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