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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

(As presented)

(Minister for Human Rights
and the Attorney-General)

Victims of Crime Amendment Bill 2023

A Bill for

An Act to amend the [Victims of Crime Act 1994](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/1994-83%22%20%5Co%20%22A1994-83)

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

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Victims of Crime Amendment Act 2023*.

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](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14), s 75 (1)).

3 Legislation amended

This Act amends the [Victims of Crime Act 1994](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/1994-83).

4 Police to update victims about status of investigations
Section 16A (3)

after

prejudice the investigation

insert

, the matter generally

5 Section 16A (4), definition of change in status of an investigation

substitute

change in status of an investigation, for an offence, includes when police decide to—

 (a) charge a person with the offence; or

 (b) issue a warrant for the arrest of a person accused of committing the offence.

Endnotes

1 Presentation speech

 Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 29 August 2023.

2 Notification

 Notified under the [Legislation Act](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2001-14) on 2023.

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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