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**THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

SENTENCING (PAROLE TIME CREDIT) LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2019

SUPPLEMENTARY EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

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Sentencing (Parole Time Credit) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019

Outline of Government Amendment

On 19 September 2019 the Sentencing (Parole Time Credit) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 (the Bill) was introduced to the Legislative Assembly. The Bill introduces a parole time credit scheme to the ACT to give certain offenders credit for the period of time served on parole complying with their parole obligations.

The explanatory statement accompanying the Bill provides a detailed account of the provisions contained in the Bill and can be accessed at: https://www.legislation.act.gov.au/b/db_60977/

The Government amendment to the Bill (the Government Amendment) responds to a point raised by the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety's Report No 36 of 15 October 2019.

Human Rights

As outlined in the explanatory statement to the Bill, the Bill engages and limits a number of rights under the *Human Rights Act 2004* (the HRA). The Government Amendment does not further engage the HRA.

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Detail

Government amendment 1 – Clause 18, page 16, line 17

This amendment states that section 1006 of the Bill expires 12 months after the commencement day of the Bill.