1. The Corrective Services (Promoting Safety) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024 (the Bill) amends the *Corrective Services Act 2006* (CSA), the *Corrective Services Regulation 2017*, the *Child Protection (Offender Reporting and Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2004* (CPOROPOA), the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* (PPRA) and the *Parole Orders (Transfer) Act 1984* (POTA) to promote the safety of victims of crime, frontline corrective services officers, offenders and the broader community.
2. The main objectives of the Bill are to:
	* enhance the legislative framework for the Queensland Corrective Services (QCS) Victims Register to promote the safety and wellbeing of victims engaging with the service;
	* require representation for victims on the Parole Board Queensland to increase victims’ input into parole decisions;
	* strengthen powers to respond to abuse of prisoner communication channels to protect the community from prisoners who seek to inflict harm from behind bars;
	* enable the use of certain police powers for reportable child sex offenders being supervised under the Dangerous Prisoners (Sexual Offenders) Act 2003 (DPSOA) to strengthen community safety;
	* increase the penalty for possession of a gel blaster on corrective services land in response to evolving behaviour putting safety at risk;
	* protect the use of victim and intelligence information to support effective decision making;
	* clarify the authority for corrective services officers to use body-worn cameras while in the community to promote the safety of frontline corrective services officers;
	* provide greater flexibility for prescribing protections and requirements around how invasive prisoner searches are conducted to accommodate diverse prisoner needs;
	* update legislative requirements to support the independence, diversity and efficient administration of the Parole Board Queensland;
	* enable QCS to lawfully detain prisoners from Norfolk Island in line with the Queensland Government’s commitments under the Intergovernmental Partnership Agreement on State Service Delivery to Norfolk Island; and
	* address a number of other minor and technical issues to support the continued safe operations of corrective services.
3. Cabinet approved the introduction of the Corrective Services (Promoting Safety) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024 into the Legislative Assembly.
4. *Attachments*
* [Corrective Services (Promoting Safety) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2024/Feb/CSOLAB/Attachments/Bill.PDF)
* [Explanatory Notes](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2024/Feb/CSOLAB/Attachments/ExNotes.PDF)
* [Human Rights Statement of Compatibility](https://dpcqld.sharepoint.com/sites/DPC-CABINETSERVICES/Shared%20Documents/General/Proactive%20Release/ToBeProcessed/2024/Feb/CSOLAB/Attachments/SoC.PDF)