

South Australia

**Criminal Law Consolidation (Reasonable
Chastisement of Children) Amendment Bill 2007**

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend the *Criminal Law Consolidation Act 1935*.

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The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Criminal Law Consolidation (Reasonable Chastisement of Children) Amendment Act 2007*.

5 2—Commencement

This Act will come into operation 1 month after the day on which it is assented to.

3—Amendment provisions

In this Act, a provision under a heading referring to the amendment of a specified Act amends the Act so specified.

10 Part 2—Amendment of *Criminal Law Consolidation Act 1935*

4—Amendment of section 20—Assault

Section 20(2)—after paragraph (a) insert:

- 15 (ab) conduct that lies within limits of what would be generally accepted in the community as reasonable chastisement or correction of a child by a parent of the child, or a person *in loco parentis* of the child, cannot amount to an assault; and