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**Criminal Code Amendment
(Telecommunications Offences for
Suicide Related Material—Exception for
Lawful Voluntary Assisted Dying) Bill
2024**

No. , 2024

(Ms Chaney)

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Criminal Code Act 1995*, and for related purposes

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1 **A Bill for an Act to amend the *Criminal Code Act***
2 ***1995, and for related purposes***

3 The Parliament of Australia enacts:

4 **1 Short title**

5 This Act is the *Criminal Code Amendment (Telecommunications*
6 *Offences for Suicide Related Material—Exception for Lawful*
7 *Voluntary Assisted Dying) Act 2024.*

8 **2 Commencement**

9 (1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table
10 commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with

1 column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect
2 according to its terms.

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Commencement information

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this Act	The day after this Act receives the Royal Assent.	

4 Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally
5 enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of
6 this Act.

7 (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act.
8 Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it
9 may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

10 **3 Schedules**

11 Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or
12 repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule
13 concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect
14 according to its terms.

1 **Schedule 1—Amendments**
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3 *Criminal Code Act 1995*

4 **1 At the end of Subdivision G of Division 474 of the *Criminal***
5 ***Code***

6 **474.29C Subdivision does not apply to lawful voluntary assisted**
7 **dying**

8 This Subdivision does not apply to acts or omissions lawfully
9 carried out in good faith in accordance with a voluntary assisted
10 dying law (however described) of a State or Territory.

11 Note: Each of the following is an example of an act:
12 (a) using a carriage service;
13 (b) using material;
14 (c) possessing, controlling, producing, supplying or obtaining
15 material.

16 **2 Application of amendment**

17 The amendment made by this Schedule applies in relation to acts or
18 omissions before, on or after the commencement of this Schedule.