

# NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

## CORRECTIONAL SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT ACT 2025

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### Act No. 3 of 2025

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An Act to amend the *Correctional Services Act 2014* and the *Correctional Services Regulations 2014*

[Assented to 18 February 2025]  
[Introduced 12 February 2025]

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

## **Part 1 Preliminary matters**

### **1 Short title**

This Act may be cited as the *Correctional Services Legislation Amendment Act 2025*.

### **2 Commencement**

This Act commences on the day after the day on which the Administrator's assent to this Act is declared.

## **Part 2 Amendment of correctional services legislation**

### **Division 1 Correctional Services Act 2014**

#### **3 Act amended**

This Division amends the *Correctional Services Act 2014*.

#### **4                      Section 4 amended (Definitions)**

Section 4

*insert*

***special correctional officer*** means a special correctional officer appointed under section 25B.

***special correctional services officer***, for Part 2.2, Division 4, see section 25A.

***special probation and parole officer*** means a special probation and parole officer appointed under section 25C.

#### **5                      Section 16 amended (Correctional services officers)**

(1)                      Section 16(e)

*omit*

officer.

*insert*

officer;

(2)                      After section 16(e)

*insert*

(f)    a special correctional officer;

(g)    a special probation and parole officer.

#### **6                      Part 2.2, Division 4 inserted**

After section 25

*insert*

### **Division 4                      Special correctional services officers**

#### **25A                      Special correctional services officer**

For this Division, each of the following is a ***special correctional services officer***:

(a)    a special correctional officer;

(b)    a special probation and parole officer.

**25B            Special correctional officers**

- (1) The Commissioner may appoint a person to be a special correctional officer if the Commissioner is satisfied the person has the qualifications, skills or experience to properly perform the functions of a special correctional officer.
- (2) A special correctional officer may exercise the powers and perform the functions of a correctional officer under this or any another Act, subject to any conditions, limitations or qualifications decided by the Commissioner.
- (3) A special correctional officer is not a public sector employee by virtue of the officer's appointment as a special correctional officer.

**25C            Special probation and parole officers**

- (1) The Commissioner may appoint a person to be a special probation and parole officer if the Commissioner is satisfied the person has the qualifications, skills or experience to properly perform the functions of a special probation and parole officer.
- (2) A special probation and parole officer may exercise the powers and perform the functions of a probation and parole officer under this or any other Act, subject to any conditions, limitations or qualifications decided by the Commissioner.
- (3) A special probation and parole officer is not a public sector employee by virtue of the officer's appointment as a special probation and parole officer.

**25D            Termination of appointment of special correctional services officer**

The Commissioner may, at any time, terminate the appointment of a special correctional services officer.

**25E            Evidence of appointment**

The Commissioner must issue each special correctional services officer with evidence of the person's appointment as a special correctional services officer.

**Division 2            Correctional Services Regulations 2014**

**7                Regulations amended**

This Division amends the *Correctional Services Regulations 2014*.

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**8 Regulation 19 amended (Evidentiary certificates)**

After regulation 19(2)(a)(iv)

*insert*

(iva) a special correctional officer;

(ivb) a special probation and parole officer;

**9 Regulation 24 amended (Oath of office)**

Regulation 24(1)

*omit, insert*

(1) Each of the following must take an oath of office before performing any of the functions of the office:

(a) the Commissioner;

(b) the General Manager of a custodial correctional facility;

(c) a correctional officer;

(d) a special correctional officer.

**10 Schedule 1 amended (Misconduct)**

Schedule 1, item 16, after "officers"

*insert*

or special correctional officers

**Part 3 Repeal****11 Repeal of Act**

This Act is repealed on the day after it commences.