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Inspector of Custodial Services Amendment Bill 2024

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Objects of Act**

Page 3, Schedule 1[1], proposed section 2A(3)(b)(iii), line 23. Omit “people.”. Insert instead—

people,

- (iv) women and gender diverse persons,
- (v) people with physical and cognitive disabilities,
- (vi) people with life threatening conditions and illnesses.

No. 2 **Persons who must not be Official Visitors**

Page 6, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8D(c), line 23. Omit “centre”. Insert instead—

centre,

- (d) a person who has been, within the previous 12 months, employed as a custodial centre staff member.

No. 3 **Assignment of Official Visitors**

Page 7, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8F(3)(a) and (b), lines 6 and 7. Omit all words on the lines. Insert instead—

- (a) 2 Official Visitors (Adults) for each adult custodial centre, and
- (b) 2 Official Visitors (Children) for each juvenile justice centre.

No. 4 **Visits by Official Visitors to custodial centres**

Page 7, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8G(5)(b), line 26. Omit all words on the line. Insert instead—

- (b) includes the power to carry out interviews in private, at the request of the potential interviewee or on the initiative of the Official Visitor, and

No. 5 **Visits by Official Visitors to custodial centres**

Page 7, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8G. Insert after line 27—

- (6) An Official Visitor visiting a custodial centre to which the Official Visitor is assigned must inform custodial centre staff members at the centre and the persons in custody, detained or residing at the centre, that interviews with the Official Visitor may be carried out in private.

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- No. 6 **Official Visitors to deal with complaints and inquiries**
Page 7, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8H(5)(a), line 43. Insert “written” before “consent”.
- No. 7 **Written reports by Official Visitors**
Page 9, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8J. Insert after line 11—
 (a1) the Commissioner of Corrective Services,
- No. 8 **Official Visitors must not deal with restricted persons**
Page 9, Schedule 1[12], proposed section 8K, lines 18–25. Omit all words on the lines.
- No. 9 **Response to Inspector’s recommendations**
Page 12, Schedule 1[23], proposed section 16A. Insert after line 16—
 (4) The following must be given to the Presiding Officer of each House of
 Parliament and must be laid before each House within 15 sitting days after it
 is received by the Presiding Officer—
 (a) a copy of a written notice given under subsection (2),
 (b) a copy of information given to the Inspector in response to a written
 notice given under subsection (2).
- No. 10 **Determination of reviews by Commissioner**
Page 16, Schedule 2[3], proposed section 65D. Insert after line 19—
 (7) Following a review, the Commissioner must give the inmate written notice of
 the outcome of the review and the reasons for the Commissioner’s
 determination.
- No. 11 **Other provisions about reviews by Commissioner**
Page 16, Schedule 2[3], proposed section 65E(2), line 25. Omit “substantially”.