



New South Wales

Local Government and Other Legislation Amendment (Places of Public Worship) Bill 2026

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I certify that this public bill, which originated in the Legislative Assembly, has finally passed the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

*Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
Legislative Assembly,
Sydney,*

, 2026



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Act No , 2026

An Act to amend the *Local Government Act 1993* to increase the maximum penalty for a failure to comply with certain orders given in relation to the use of premises; and for related purposes.

I have examined this bill and find it to correspond in all respects with the bill as finally passed by both Houses.

Assistant Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

The Legislature of New South Wales enacts—

1 Name of Act

This Act is the *Local Government and Other Legislation Amendment (Places of Public Worship) Act 2026*.

2 Commencement

This Act commences on the date of assent to this Act.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Local Government Act 1993 No 30

Section 628 Failure to comply with order

Omit section 628(1A), penalty. Insert instead—

Maximum penalty—

- (a) for an individual—1,000 penalty units, or
- (b) otherwise—2,000 penalty units.

**Schedule 2 Amendment of Environmental Planning and
Assessment Regulation 2021**

[1] Section 282 Enforcement of orders by cessation of utilities

Omit section 282(1). Insert instead—

- (1) The following development is prescribed for the Act, Schedule 5, clause 35(1)(b)—
 - (a) backpackers’ accommodation,
 - (b) boarding houses,
 - (c) places of public worship.

[2] Schedule 5 Penalty notice offences

Omit the matter relating to section 9.37 from the table under the heading **Offences under the Act**.

Insert instead—

Section 9.37 for failure to comply with development control order, except an order referred to in the Act, Schedule 5, Part 1, item 6, 10, 12 or 13	\$6,000	\$12,000
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