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Children's Guardian and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2026

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Appointment of Children's Guardian**
Page 5, Schedule 2. Insert after line 35—

[7A] Section 115A

Insert after section 115—

115A Veto of proposed appointment as Children's Guardian

- (1) A person is not to be appointed as the Children's Guardian until—
 - (a) the Minister has referred to the Committee on Children and Young People a proposal that the person be appointed, and
 - (b) either—
 - (i) the period that the Committee has to veto the proposed appointment has ended without the Committee having vetoed the proposed appointment, or
 - (ii) the Committee notifies the Minister that it has decided not to veto the proposed appointment.
- (2) The Committee may, by notice to the Minister, veto the referral within—
 - (a) 14 days after receiving the referral (the *initial period*), or
 - (b) if the Committee notifies the Minister within the initial period that the Committee requires more time to consider the matter—a further 14 days after the initial period.
- (3) A person may be proposed for appointment on more than one occasion.
- (4) The Minister may withdraw the referral at any time.
- (5) A referral or notice under this section must be in writing.
- (6) In this section, a reference to appointment includes reappointment.

No. 2 **Appointment of Children's Guardian—consequential**
Page 6, Schedule 2. Insert after line 15—

[8A] Sections 136(3) and 183A(3)

Omit the subsections.

No. 3 Appointment of Children's Guardian—consequential

Page 6, Schedule 2. Insert after line 22—

[10] Schedule 6 Dictionary

Insert in alphabetical order—

Committee on Children and Young People means the Parliamentary Joint Committee constituted under the *Advocate for Children and Young People Act 2014*, section 36(1).