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## A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Children and Young People Act 2008*

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The Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory enacts as follows:

**1 Name of Act**

This Act is the *Children and Young People Amendment Act 2015*.

**2 Commencement**

This Act commences on the day after its notification day.

*Note* The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see [Legislation Act](#), s 75 (1)).

**3 Legislation amended**

This Act amends the *Children and Young People Act 2008*.

**4 Appointment of committee members  
Section 727D (2)**

*substitute*

(2) The Minister may appoint a person as a member of the committee only if satisfied that the person—

(a) has qualifications, experience or expertise in 1 or more of the following:

(i) psychology;

(ii) paediatrics;

(iii) epidemiology;

(iv) child forensic medicine;

(v) public health administration;

(vi) education;

(vii) engineering and child safety products or systems;

(viii) working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people;

(ix) social work;

- 1 (x) investigations;  
 2 (xi) mental health;  
 3 (xii) child protection; or  
 4 (b) has other qualifications, experience or expertise, or  
 5 membership of an organisation, relevant to exercising the  
 6 functions of a committee member; or  
 7 (c) is a police officer with experience in working with children and  
 8 young people and families.  
 9 (2A) The Minister must ensure that the committee membership represents  
 10 a diversity of experience and expertise from the different areas  
 11 mentioned in subsection (2).

12 **5 New section 727EA**

13 *insert*

14 **727EA Appointment of deputy chair of committee**

15 The Minister must appoint a deputy chair of the CYP death review  
 16 committee from the members appointed under section 727D.

17 **6 Meetings**  
 18 **Section 727J (2)**

19 *omit*

20 **7 Section 727K**

21 *substitute*

22 **727K Presiding member at meetings**

- 23 (1) The chair presides at all meetings at which the chair is present.  
 24 (2) If the chair is absent, the deputy chair presides.

**8 Quorum at meetings**  
**Section 727L (1)**

*substitute*

- (1) Business may be carried on at a meeting of the CYP death review committee only if at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the members (other than the presiding member) are present.

**9 Voting at meetings**  
**Section 727M**

*omit*

chair

*substitute*

presiding member

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## Endnotes

**1      Presentation speech**

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 26 March 2015.

**2      Notification**

Notified under the [Legislation Act](#) on 2015.

**3      Republications of amended laws**

For the latest republication of amended laws, see [www.legislation.act.gov.au](http://www.legislation.act.gov.au).

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