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A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* and the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002*, and for other purposes

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

Part 1

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Note

(see sch 1).

2	1	Name of Act
3		This Act is the Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Act 2025.
5	2	Commencement
6		This Act commences on the day after its notification day.
7 8		Note The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see Legislation Act, s 75 (1)).
9	3	Legislation amended
10		This Act amends the following legislation:
11		 Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001
12		• Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002.

This Act also amends the Road Transport (Offences) Regulation 2005

Preliminary

1	Part 2	Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001
3	4	New section 27AA
4		in division 2.5, insert
5	27AA	Regulations about bus stops and surrounding areas
6		A regulation may make provision in relation to—
7 8		(a) the conduct of people at bus stops and areas surrounding bus stops for the purpose of safety; and
9 0 1		(b) the authority of police officers and authorised people to direct people contravening a regulation to leave a bus stop or a stated area surrounding the bus stop; and
2 3 4		(c) the authority of police officers to remove people from a bus stop or surrounding area if they fail to comply with a direction to leave the bus stop or surrounding area.
15	5	Dictionary, note 3
16		insert
7		authorised person

	Part 3	Road Transpo	rt (Public P	assenger Ser	vices) Regulation	า 2002
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rai	t 3	Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002
6		Offences against regulation—application of Criminal Code etc Section 4A, note 1
		omit
		pt 3.3 (Bus passengers)
		substitute
		pt 3.3 (Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas)
7		Part 3.3 heading
		substitute
Par	t 3.	Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas
8		
•		New section 51A
		New section 51A in part 3.3, insert
51A		
	(1)	in part 3.3, insert
	(1)	in part 3.3, insert Meaning of bus stop area—pt 3.3
	(1)	<pre>in part 3.3, insert Meaning of bus stop area—pt 3.3 In this part: bus stop area means the area within a 20m radius of a bus stop sign</pre>

1 2		public unleased land—see the Public Unleased Land Act 2013, section 8.
3 4	9	Behaviour that interferes with comfort or safety New section 52 (3A) and (3B)
5		insert
6	(3A)	A person commits an offence if the person—
7		(a) is in a bus stop area; and
8		(b) behaves in an aggressive or menacing way.
9		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.
0	(3B)	A person commits an offence if the person—
1		(a) is in a bus stop area; and
2		(b) unreasonably interferes with the safety of someone else.
3		Maximum penalty: 10 penalty units.
4	10	Section 52 (4)
5		omit
6		subsection (1) or (2)
7		substitute
8		subsection (1), (2) or (3A)

1 2 3	11	direct person to get off, or not get on, bus Section 66C (1) (a) (ii)		
4		omit		
5		part 3.3 (Bus passengers)		
6		substitute		
7		part 3.3 (Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas)		
8	12	New sections 67AA and 67AB		
9		in part 3.3, insert		
10 11	67AA	Police officer or authorised person—power to direct person to leave bus stop area		
12 13 14 15	(1)	A police officer or authorised person may direct a person to leave a bus stop area if the police officer or authorised person believes on reasonable grounds that the person is committing, or has just committed, an offence against section 52 (2) (b) (iii), (3A) or (3B).		
16 17	(2)	The police officer or authorised person who gives a person a direction must tell the person the bus stop area to which the direction applies.		
18	(3)	A person commits an offence if the person—		
19		(a) is given a direction under subsection (1); and		
20		(b) fails to comply with the direction.		
21		Maximum penalty: 5 penalty units.		
22	(4)	An offence against this section is a strict liability offence.		

1 2	67AB	Police officer—power to remove person from bus stop area
3 4		A police officer may remove a person from a bus stop area if the person—
5		(a) is given a direction under section 67AA; and
6		(b) fails to comply with the direction.
7	13	Dictionary, new definition of bus stop area
8		insert
9 0		bus stop area, for part 3.3 (Bus passengers and people in bus stop areas)—see section 51A.

Schedule 1 Road Transport (Offences) Regulation 2005— Consequential amendments

3 (see s 3)

[1.1] Schedule 1, part 1.14, new items 72A and 72B

5 insert

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72A	52 (3A)				
72A.1	• child	aggressive/menacing behaviour in bus stop area— child	10	75	-
72A.2	• adult	aggressive/menacing behaviour in bus stop area— adult	10	380	-

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Amendment [1.2]

72B	52 (3B)	unreasonably interfere with safety of someone else in	10	-	-
		bus stop area			

[1.2] Schedule 1, part 1.14, new item 101A

2 insert

101	A	67AA (3)				
1014	A.1	• child	not comply with direction of police officer/authorised person—child	5	75	-
1014	A.2	• adult	not comply with direction of police officer/authorised person—adult	5	261	-

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Endnotes

1 Presentation speech

Presentation speech made in the Legislative Assembly on 3 September 2025.

2 Notification

Notified under the Legislation Act on

2025.

3 Republications of amended laws

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