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Government Amendment 1 – Clause 6

This amendment provides a definition of “classified” in terms of the *Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995 (Cth)*.

Government Amendment 2 – Clause 6

This amendment is aimed at overcoming the Assembly’s inability to make laws for the “classification of materials for the purposes of censorship” under section 23(1)(g) of the Self-Government Act. In its original form, the Bill may have amounted to such a law in its attempts to classify pornographic materials for the purpose of censoring their availability.

Pornographic material has been redefined as material that has been, or is likely to be, classified RC (Refused Classification), X or R under the *Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995 (Cth)*. Material towards which the Bill is directed is thereby specified in terms of existing classifications set out in Commonwealth legislation.