



Subordinate Legislation Act 1994
CORRECTIONS REGULATIONS 1998
Regulatory Impact Statement

This is notice under section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared for the proposed Corrections Regulations 1998.

Section 112 of the **Corrections Act 1986** authorises the making of the regulations, which will replace the Corrections Regulations 1988.

The primary objective of the regulations is to achieve in the delivery of correctional services in Victoria a consistent level of humane management practice in accordance with community expectations.

In addition the following secondary objectives are relevant:

- the secure operation of correctional institutions;
- the rehabilitation of prisoners and offenders.

Victoria's adult correctional system has recently seen the introduction of private providers of correctional services.

The regulations will implement the community's expectations of a uniform set of humane standards of management practice in correctional services irrespective of the provider of those services. There are safety, privacy and security protections afforded to prisoners, offenders (persons on community-based orders) and visitors. Prisoners' rights to access the legal process and grievance procedures are also protected.

The regulations also provide for the maintenance of good order and security of prisons, thus protecting prisons from disorder and the community from the threat of escapes.

The RIS presents an assessment of the costs and benefits of the proposed regulations and examines alternatives to the proposals. The RIS concludes that the overall benefits of the proposals outweigh the costs imposed by the regulations.

Copies of the RIS and the proposed regulations may be obtained from the Office of the Correctional Services Commissioner, Department of Justice, at Level 6, 452 Flinders Street, Melbourne, Vic. 3000, or by telephoning (03) 9627 6614.

Public submissions on the proposed regulations and the RIS are invited. Submissions must be in writing and must be received at the above address (Attention: Mr Joe Erftemeyer) by 5.30 p.m. on 4 May 1998. Submissions are treated as public documents.

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