

RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation 1

3.1 The committee recommends that proposed paragraphs 474.29A(1)(b) and (c) be amended so that the phrase 'counsels or incites suicide' reads 'counsels or incites another person to commit or attempt to commit suicide'.

Recommendation 2

3.1 The committee recommends that the Bill be amended to insert a requirement that, as soon as practicable after the end of 12 months from the date of the Bill's commencement, the Attorney-General must cause to be laid before each House of Parliament a comprehensive report on the operation of proposed subsections 474.29A(3) and (4).

Recommendation 3

3.2 Subject to the preceding recommendations, the committee recommends that the Senate pass the Bill.

Recommendation 4

3.3 The committee supports and calls for the implementation of additional broader research, strategies, resourcing and policy initiatives by the Federal Government and state/territory governments in order to address jointly and consistently issues relating to suicide in Australia.

