1. In satisfaction of a commitment under the Government’s *Six month action plan (January – June 2013)*, a formal review of key aspects of the *Youth Justice Act 1992* has been completed.
2. The Youth Justice and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014, developed following community consultation on effective responses to youth crime, implements the outcomes of this review. The Bill delivers a number of reforms to the youth justice system which target recidivist offenders and better ensure these offenders are held accountable for their actions.
3. These reforms provide for:
* the naming and shaming of all repeat young offenders;
* opening the Children’s Court for matters involving repeat offenders;
* creation of an offence of breach of bail;
* childhood findings of guilt to be admissible when sentencing adults;
* automatic transfer of 17 year olds to adult correctional facilities; and
* exclusion of the sentencing principle of detention as a last resort.
1. Cabinet approved that the Youth Justice and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 be introduced into the Legislative Assembly as soon as possible.
2. *Attachments*
* [Youth Justice and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014](Attachments/Bill.pdf)
* [Explanatory Notes](Attachments/ExNotes.pdf)