

## Appendix 2

### Increase in maximum penalties comparison

Section	Offence	Current Penalty	New Penalty
Subsection 272.9(1)	Engaging in sexual activity with a child outside Australia	Imprisonment for 15 years	Imprisonment for 18 years.
Subsection 272.9(2)	Causing a child to engage in sexual activity in presence of defendant	Imprisonment for 15 years	Imprisonment for 18 years.
Subsection 272.15(1)	'Grooming' child to engage in sexual activity outside Australia	Imprisonment for 12 years	Imprisonment for 15 years.
Subsection 471.25(1)	Using a postal or similar service to 'groom' persons under 16	Imprisonment for 12 years	Imprisonment for 15 years.
Subsection 471.25(2)	Using a postal or similar service to 'groom' persons under 16	Imprisonment for 12 years	Imprisonment for 15 years.
Subsection 471.26(1)	Using a postal or similar service to send indecent material to person under 16	Imprisonment for 7 years	Imprisonment for 10 years.
Section 474.25	Obligations of internet service providers and internet content hosts	100 Penalty Units	800 Penalty Units
Subsection 474.25A(1)	Engaging in sexual activity with child using a carriage service	Imprisonment for 15 years	Imprisonment for 18 years.
Subsection 474.25A(2)	Causing a child to engage in sexual activity with another person	Imprisonment for 15 years	Imprisonment for 18 years.
Subsection 474.27(1)	Using a carriage service to 'groom' persons under 16 years of age	Imprisonment for 12 years	Imprisonment for 15 years.
Subsection 474.27(2)	Using a carriage service to 'groom' persons under 16 years of age	Imprisonment for 12 years	Imprisonment for 15 years.
Subsection 474.27A(1)	Using a carriage service to transmit indecent communication to person under 16 years of age	Imprisonment for 7 years	Imprisonment for 10 years.

Source: Law Council of Australia, *Submission 5*, Appendix 1.

