

Children's Welfare Act 1933, Victoria

1933 – 1955

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Details

The Children's Welfare Act 1933 (No.4152) amended sections 18 and 109 of the Children's Welfare Act 1928. It extended the definitions of neglect in the 1928 Act. The 1933 legislation contained new categories of 'neglected child', including 'being a female found soliciting men for prostitution...or found habitually wandering about...public places at night without lawful cause...'. This resulted in an increase of girls being placed in children's homes. A child 'living under such conditions as indicate that the child is lapsing or likely to lapse into a career of vice or crime' was another new definition of 'neglected child' in s.18 of the Act.

The long title of the Act is 'An Act to amend Sections Eighteen and One hundred and nine of the Children's Welfare Act 1928.'

The Children's Welfare Act 1954 (No.5817) repealed the Children's Welfare Act 1933.

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