

# Adoption Act 1984, Victoria

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## **Details**

The 1984 Adoption Act (No. 10150) was a significant shift in adoption policy in Victoria. The Adoption Act 1984 focused on the needs of adopted children, and enshrined a child's right to access information about his or her family of origin. The Hon. Pauline Toner (who died in 1989) was an important figure in the introduction of this legislation to the Victorian Parliament.

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## More info

## Chronology

- Adoption of Children (Information) Act 1980, Victoria (1981 1987)
- Adoption of Children Act 1964, Victoria (1966 1987)
  - Adoption Act 1984, Victoria (1985 )

### Related Entries

#### **Related Glossary Terms**

Open Adoption (c. 1984 - current)

#### **Related Organisations**

- Adoption and Family Records Service, Department of Human Services (c. 1984 November 2010)
  The Adoption Act 1984 provided for the creation of an Adoption Information Service in Victoria. This legislation gave adopted people the right to access information about their adoption.
- Adoption Information Services, Department of Justice and Community Safety (2019 current)

#### **Related Legislation**

- Children's Court Act 1973, Victoria (1974 1992)
- Children (Guardianship and Custody) Act 1984, Victoria (1985 1991)

#### Is amended by

• Community Services Act 1987, Victoria (1987 - current)

#### **Related Concepts**

Adoption in Victoria (c. 1928 - current)