

Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons Act 1985, Western Australia

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Details

The Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons Act 1985 (068 of 1985) established a government agency to 'develop and carry out policies' and provide for services to advance the welfare of people with intellectual disabilities. The Act defined an 'intellectually handicapped person', regulated the provision of services to those people and licensed the premises in which services could be delivered. Children and adults with intellectual disabilities would no longer be automatically subject to mental health laws.

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Related Legislation

- [Mental Health Act 1962, Western Australia \(1962 - 1996\)](#)
Before the *Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons Act 1985*, intellectual disabilities were dealt with under mental health legislation. The *Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons Act 1985* didn't replace mental health laws. Rather, the laws governing intellectual disability took a different and more appropriate path.
- [Acts Amendment \(Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons\) Act 1985, Western Australia \(1985 - 1996\)](#)
The *Acts Amendment (Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons) Act 1985* was companion legislation to the *Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons Act 1985*.

Related Organisations

- [Authority for Intellectually Handicapped Persons \(1986 - 1993\)](#)

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