

# Child Sexual Abuse Laws State/Territory Scorecard

| Key   | Recommendations  | ACT                     | NSW                     | NT                         | Qld                     | SA                       | Tas                     | Vic                       | WA                      |
|---|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Yes</b>  | Does the State have a legislated commitment to Redress?  |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>Change process has commenced but not finalised yet</b> | Has the State introduced penalties for failure to report child sexual abuse?   |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>Committed but no action yet</b>                        | Has the state lifted the limitations period (including retrospectivity)  |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>Agreed in principle but no action yet</b>              | Has the state extended the mandatory reporting to include confessions?   |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>Agreed in principle but no action yet</b>              | Has the state removed the Ellis defence (protection of church assets against compensation claims)?   |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>Still considering or consulting</b>                    | Has the state introduced non-delegable duty of care on particular organisations, to be owed to children over which they have care, supervision or control? |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>No</b>   | Has the state reversed the onus of proof on institutions?  |                         |                         |                            |                         |                          |                         |                           |                         |
| <b>Maurice Blackburn rating</b>                           |  | <b>A</b><br>62/70 (88%) | <b>A</b><br>61/70 (87%) | <b>Fail</b><br>34/70 (48%) | <b>A</b><br>60/70 (86%) | <b>C-</b><br>43/70 (61%) | <b>A</b><br>62/70 (88%) | <b>A+</b><br>70/70 (100%) | <b>C</b><br>44/70 (63%) |

A+ 90-100% | A 85-89% | A- 80-84% | B+ 77-79% | B 73-76% | B- 70-72% | C+ 67-69% | C 63-66% | C- 60-62% | D+ 57-59% | D 53-56% | D- 50-52% | Fail 0-49%