

## Past activity

Field	Content
<b>Name of Division/Office</b>	Classification, Human Rights and Copyright Division (Classification Policy Branch)
<b>Title</b>	<i>Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Assessments and Advertising) Act 2008</i>
<b>Description of issue</b>	<p>This Act is part of a package of reforms which, together with amendments to State and Territory legislation and to legislative instruments under the <i>Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995</i>, removes the prohibition on advertising unclassified films and computer games.</p> <p>The 2008 Act enables an industry based self-assessment scheme so that the likely classification of an unclassified film or computer game may be assessed by an authorised industry assessor for the purpose of advertising that film or computer game before it is classified.</p> <p>The 2008 Act amends the classification requirements for films that are compilations of episodes of a television series that have been broadcast in Australia. It enables an industry based self-assessment scheme so that an application for classification of a film that comprises episodes of a television series may be accompanied by a report from an authorised assessor.</p> <p>The Act may be found at: <a href="http://www.comlaw.gov.au/ComLaw/Legislation/Act1.nsf/asmade/bynumber/812560A19CD0CCC7CA25747E007E41ED?OpenDocument">http://www.comlaw.gov.au/ComLaw/Legislation/Act1.nsf/asmade/bynumber/812560A19CD0CCC7CA25747E007E41ED?OpenDocument</a></p>
<b>Date of effect</b>	Royal assent on 1 July 2008. The television authorised assessor scheme will be operational by 1 January 2008. The advertising assessor scheme will be operational by 1 July 2009.
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