To my State Premier or Chief Minister and State/Territory Attorney-General,

Right now in our state children between 10 and 13 years olds are locked up in prison.

Medical experts say that children's brains are still developing, especially the parts that regulate judgement, decision-making and impulse control. This means that kids cannot foresee the consequences of any action and cannot fully understand the criminal nature of their behaviour.

The UN Committee on the Rights of the Child has called on countries to raise the age to at least 14 years old. China, Russia, Germany, Spain, Sierra Leone, Azerbaijan, Cambodia and Rwanda have taken this step and we must do the same for Australian kids.

I call you to immediately and urgently raise the age of criminal responsibility to at least 14 years old.

Yours sincerely,

#RaiseTheAge: Keep kids out of prison and on the right path

Instead of putting kids this young behind bars, governments can fund Indigenous-led solutions and community programs which have better outcomes for children and communities.

Together we can make this happen. Will you add your name to our petition and call on all governments across Australia to raise the age kids can be locked up to at least 14 years old?



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