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## Guy: 'One strike and you're out' and presumption of remand for those charged with violent offences

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### 'One strike and you're out' and presumption of remand for those charged with violent offences

We are all grieving and angry about the tragedy in Melbourne on Friday and Victorians deserve answers to such senseless loss and suffering.

The bail system is broken and we need significant legal and cultural change.

That is why the Liberal Nationals believe a major overhaul is required. There will be three significant principles that we would seek to change to fix the bail system that will make Victorians safer.

The first principle is to introduce the presumption of remand for those charged with violent offences. Community expectation is that people accused of violent offences should not be put straight back out onto our streets.

The second principle is to introduce a 'one strike and you're out' policy for anyone breaching bail. If you are on bail and you breach the conditions of bail, you forfeit that privilege and face remand. For too long, breaching bail has carried no consequences.

The third principle will be the reinstatement of the offence of breaching bail by juveniles which was a change that weakened our bail system in 2016.

No more second chances. No more excuses.

And no more freedom for violent offenders that continue to break the law without any fear of the consequences or regard for human life.

Bail decisions by judges and bail justices made under the current system has shown us how catastrophic these decisions have been.

There is one certainty: violent offenders cannot commit horrific crimes if they are not free to roam our streets.

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