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Country:	Croatia
Title:	Proposed Amendments to the Gender Equality Act
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Issue at stake:	Definition of victimisation
Ground of discrimination:	Sex
Source:	Legislation
Field:	Other – horizontal provisions
Applicable law:	Draft Act No. 68 – Act on Amendments to the Gender Equality Act

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Law development: The Draft Act No. 68 on Amendments to the Gender Equality Act passed the first reading in the Croatian Parliament on 8 February 2017. The final draft now has to be submitted for the second reading.

Key points of analysis: The main objective of the proposed amendment is to align the definition of victimisation from Article 2 of the Gender Equality Act (Official Gazette *Narodne novine* No. 82/08) with the broader definition of victimisation from the Anti-Discrimination Act (Official Gazette *Narodne novine* nos. 85/08 and 112/12). The Draft Act also contains several minor methodological adjustments. Draft Act No. 68 actually replaces Draft Act No. 63 on Amendments to the Gender Equality Act, which contained identical amendment and which was tabled at the Croatian Parliament in May 2016, with a proposal to adopt the Act through an urgent procedure. However, Draft Act No. 63 was not adopted at that time, since the Government which was in office at that time was repealed on 16 June 2016 and the Parliament dissolved.

Internet link source: Draft Act No. 68 – Act on Amendments to the Gender Equality Act; <http://www.sabor.hr/prijedlog-zakona-o-izmjenama-i-dopunama-zakona0132>.