

4–7 December 2023

House of Representatives

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Administrative Review Tribunal Bill 2023](#) – introduced 7 December 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Administrative Review Tribunal \(Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 1\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 7 December 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Telecommunications Legislation Amendment \(Enhancing Consumer Safeguards and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 7 December 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of House Committees

No new inquiries were announced.

Reports of House Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Agriculture Committee

- [Australian food story: Feeding the nation and beyond](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Petitions Committee

- [Report 19: Ministerial responses](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Senate

Bills initiated in the Senate

No new Bills were initiated last week.

New inquiries of Senate Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Economics Legislation Committee

- [Government Amendments to Treasury Laws Amendment \(Making Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share-Integrity and Transparency\) Bill 2023](#) – submissions due 5 January 2024
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Better targeted Superannuation Concessions and Other Measures\) Bill 2023 and a related bill \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due 23 February 2024
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Reserve Bank Reforms\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due 2 February 2024

Education and Employment Legislation Committee

- [Australian Research Council Amendment \(Review Response\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#)
– date for closure of submissions to be advised

Finance and Public Administration References Committee

- [Access to Australian Parliament House by lobbyists](#) – submissions due 9 February 2024
- [Supporting the development of sovereign capability in the Australian tech sector](#)
– submissions due 23 February 2024

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Modern Slavery Amendment \(Australian Anti-Slavery Commissioner\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#)
– submissions due 22 January 2024

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

- [Right wing extremist movements in Australia](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Select Committee on Supermarket Prices

- [Senate Select Committee on Supermarket Prices](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Community Affairs References Committee

- [The worsening rental crisis in Australia](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

- [Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment \(Save the Koala\) Bill 2021](#) – tabled 7 December 2023
- [Nature Repair Market Bill 2023 and the Nature Repair Market \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – tabled 4 December 2023

Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade References Committee

- [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade due diligence framework](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

- [Commonwealth Freedom of Information laws](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

- [Second interim report: Australia's preparedness to host Commonwealth, Olympic and Paralympic Games](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Scrutiny of Bills Committee

- [Scrutiny digest 16 of 2023](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Selection of Bills Committee

- [Report No. 16 of 2023](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Joint Committees

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Committee on the National Capital and External Territories

- [Review of the National Capital Authority Annual Report 2022-23](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Parliamentary Committee on Intelligence and Security

- [Review of the National Security Legislation Amendment \(Comprehensive Review and Other Measures No. 3\) Bill 2023](#) – submissions due 2 February 2024
- [Review of the amendments made by the Australian Citizenship Amendment \(Citizenship Repudiation\) Bill 2023](#) – submissions due 8 February 2024

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee

- [The pursuit of equality: Inquiry into the rights of women and children](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Report by statement: A review of regulations re-listing Jama'at Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimin and Islamic State Khorasan Province as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code Act 1995](#) – tabled 6 December 2023

Law Enforcement Committee

- [Law enforcement capabilities in relation to child exploitation, incorporating a dissenting report](#) – tabled 7 December 2023

Laws passed

As at the close of business on Friday 8 December, the following Bills have passed both Houses and are awaiting assent by the Governor-General:

- [Fair Work Legislation Amendment \(Closing Loopholes\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum relating to sheets PU108, ZB276, ZC255 and ZE249](#)
 - [Replacement Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum relating to sheets PU108, ZB276, ZC255 and ZE249](#)
- [Identity Verification Services \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Replacement Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Identity Verification Services Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Replacement Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [Infrastructure Australia Amendment \(Independent Review\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Nature Repair \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Nature Repair Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Public Health \(Tobacco and Other Products\) \(Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Public Health \(Tobacco and Other Products\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)

The following Bills received assent by the Governor-General between the close of business on Friday 27 November and the close of business on Monday 11 December:

- [Australian Citizenship Amendment \(Citizenship Repudiation\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment \(Prohibited Hate Symbols and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Disability Services and Inclusion Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Economic Inclusion Advisory Committee Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Inspector-General of Live Animal Exports Amendment \(Animal Welfare\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Interactive Gambling Amendment \(Credit and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Migration and Other Legislation Amendment \(Bridging Visas, Serious Offenders and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Water Amendment \(Restoring Our Rivers\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum relating to sheet ZC243](#)
 - [Addendum to Revised Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum relating to sheet ZC243](#)

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