

25–28 March 2024

House of Representatives

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Crimes and Online Safety Legislation Amendment \(Combatting Online Notoriety\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 25 March 2024, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Electoral Legislation Amendment \(Fair and Transparent Elections\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 25 March 2024, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Reducing Supermarket Dominance Bill 2024](#) – introduced 25 March 2024, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Migration Amendment \(Removal and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 26 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Australian Postal Corporation and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment \(Declared Areas\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment \(Omnibus No. 1\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Criminal Code Amendment \(Protecting Commonwealth Frontline Workers\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Illegal Logging Prohibition Amendment \(Strengthening Measures to Prevent Illegal Timber Trade\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment \(Getting the NDIS Back on Track No. 1\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Net Zero Economy Authority Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Net Zero Economy Authority \(Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [New Vehicle Efficiency Standard Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [New Vehicle Efficiency Standard \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Parliamentary Business Resources Legislation Amendment \(Review Implementation and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Delivering Better Financial Outcomes and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Financial Market Infrastructure and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) – introduced 27 March 2024, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of House Committees

The following new inquiry was announced:

Communications and the Arts Committee

- [Challenges and opportunities within the Australian live music industry](#) – submissions due 30 April 2024

Reports of House Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee

- [Recognising, valuing, and supporting unpaid carers](#) – tabled 27 March 2024

Senate

Bills initiated in the Senate

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Electoral Legislation Amendment \(Fair and Transparent Elections\) Bill 2024 \(No. 2\)](#) – introduced 25 March 2024, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of Senate Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Adopting Artificial Intelligence Committee

- [Opportunities and impacts for Australia arising out of the uptake of AI technologies](#) – submissions due 10 May 2024

Community Affairs Committee

- [National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment \(Getting the NDIS Back on Track No. 1\) Bill 2024 \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due 26 April 2024
- [Therapeutic Goods and Other Legislation Amendment \(Vaping Reforms\) Bill 2024 \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due 12 April 2024

Economics Committee

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Delivering Better Financial Outcomes and Other Measures\) Bill 2024 \[Provisions\]](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised – report due 20 June 2024
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Financial Market Infrastructure and Other Measures\) Bill 2024 \[Provisions\]](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised report – report due 30 April 2024

Environment and Communications Committee

- [Glencore's proposed carbon capture and storage project](#) – submissions due 2 May 2024

Finance and Public Administration Committees

- [Net Zero Economy Authority Bill 2024 and the Net Zero Economy Authority \(Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2024 \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due 19 April 2024

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee

- [Australian support for Ukraine](#) – submissions due 10 May 2024

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee

- [Migration Amendment \(Removals and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) – submissions due 12 April 2024

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee

- [Shutdown of the 3G mobile network](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised – report due 30 November 2024

Supermarket Prices Committee

- [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Divestiture Powers\) Bill 2024](#) – submissions due 12 April 2024

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Additional Estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled 28 March 2024

Economics Legislation Committee

- [Superannuation \(Objective\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – tabled 28 March 2024

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

- [Annual reports \(No. 1 of 2024\)](#) – tabled 28 March 2024

Finance and Public Administration References Committee

- [PwC: The Cover-Up Worsens the Crime](#) – tabled 27 March 2024

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

- [Additional estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled 28 March 2024

Scrutiny of Bills Committee

- [Scrutiny digest 5 of 2024](#) – tabled 27 March 2024

Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee

- [Delegated legislation monitor 4 of 2024](#) – tabled 28 March 2024

Selection of Bills Committee

- [Report No. 4 of 2024](#) – tabled 27 March 2024

Joint Committees

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Committee

- [Inquiry into economic self-determination and opportunities for First Nations Australians](#)
– date for closure of submissions to be advised – date report due to be advised

Electoral Matters Committee

- [Inquiry into civics education, engagement, and participation in Australia](#) – submissions due 24 May 2024

Human Rights Committee

- [Inquiry into compulsory income management](#) – submissions due 5 May 2024

Public Works Committee

- [Department of Defence – Albury Wodonga Military Area Redevelopment project](#)
– submissions due 2 May 2024
- [Department of Defence – RAAF Base Wagga Redevelopment project](#) – submissions due 2 May 2024
- [Department of Veterans' Affairs – Proposed Fit-Out of New Leased Premises at 18 Marcus Clarke Street, Canberra](#) – submissions due 2 May 2024

Treaties Committee

- [Amendments to Appendices I, II, and III of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora](#) – submissions due 16 April 2024
- [Australia-Tuvalu Falepili Union](#) – submissions due 16 April 2024

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Review of the Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Act 2018](#) – tabled 27 March 2024

Public Works Committee

- [Department of Defence – RAAF Base Darwin – Mid-Term Refresh and Other Works](#)
– tabled 26 March 2024
- [Eighty Seventh Annual Report](#) – tabled 26 March 2024

Laws passed

As at the close of business on Friday 28 March, the following Bills have passed both Houses and are awaiting assent by the Governor-General:

- [Appropriation Bill \(No. 3\) 2023-2024](#)
– [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Appropriation Bill \(No. 4\) 2023-2024](#)
– [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Appropriation \(Parliamentary Departments\) Bill \(No. 2\) 2023-2024](#)
– [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Autonomous Sanctions Amendment Bill 2024](#)
– [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [Broadcasting Services Amendment \(Community Television\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Fair Go for Consumers and Small Business\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Customs Tariff Amendment \(Incorporation of Proposals\) Bill \(No. 2\) 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Defence Amendment \(Safeguarding Australia's Military Secrets\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised explanatory memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary explanatory memorandum](#)
- [Defence Trade Controls Amendment Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised explanatory memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary explanatory memorandum](#)
- [Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Foreign Investment\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Making Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share—Integrity and Transparency\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary explanatory memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Support for Small Business and Charities and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

Between the close of business on 21 March and the close of business on Thursday 28 March, the following Bills have received assent by the Governor-General:

- [Australian Research Council Amendment \(Review Response\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Amendment Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Amendment \(Strengthening Quality and Integrity in Vocational Education and Training No. 1\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(Child Support and Family Assistance Technical Amendments\) Bill 2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

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