

Last week in Parliament

13-16 May 2024

House of Representatives

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2024-2025 introduced 14 May 2024, Government Bill
 Explanatory Memorandum
- Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2024-2025 introduced 14 May 2024, Government Bill
- Explanatory Memorandum
- Appropriation Bill (No. 5) 2023-2024 introduced 14 May 2024, Government Bill
 Explanatory Memorandum
- Appropriation Bill (No. 6) 2023-2024 introduced 14 May 2024, Government Bill
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2024-2025 introduced 14 May 2024, Government Bill
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Quality and Integrity) Bill 2024 introduced 16 May 2024, Government Bill
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Excise and Customs Legislation Amendment (Streamlining Administration) Bill 2024
 introduced 16 May 2024, 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:

Appropriations and Administration Committee

• Budget Estimates 2024–25: Report No. 29 – tabled 16 May 2024

Petitions Committee

Report No. 25: Petitions and Ministerial Responses – tabled 14 May 2024

Senate

Bills initiated in the Senate

The following new Bill was initiated:

- Treasury Laws Amendment (Extending the FBT Exemption for Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicles) Bill 2024 – introduced 14 May 2024, Private Senator's Bill
 - Explanatory Memorandum

New inquiries of Senate Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Education and Employment Legislation Committee

• Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Quality and Integrity) Bill 2024
[Provisions] – submissions due 13 June 2024

Impact of Climate Risk on Insurance Committee

Impact of Climate Risk on Insurance Premiums and Availability – submissions due
 2 July 2024

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

<u>Criminal Code Amendment (Protecting Commonwealth Frontline Workers) Bill 2024</u>
 [<u>Provisions</u>] – submissions due 3 June 2024

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

- <u>Airline Passenger Protections (Pay on Delay) Bill 2024</u> date for closure of submissions to be advised report due 18 November 2024
- <u>Illegal Logging Prohibition Amendment (Strengthening Measures to Prevent Illegal Timber Trade) Bill 2024 [Provisions]</u> date for closure of submissions to be advised report due 20 June 2024

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Community Affairs References Committee

<u>Equitable access to diagnosis and treatment for individuals with rare and less common cancers, including neuroendocrine cancer</u> – tabled 17 May 2024

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

 Net Zero Economy Authority Bill 2024 [Provisions] and the Net Zero Economy Authority (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2024 [Provisions] – tabled 13 May 2024

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

- Australian Naval Nuclear Power Safety Bill 2023 [Provisions] and Australian Naval Nuclear Power Safety (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2023 [Provisions] - tabled 13 May 2024
- Migration Amendment (Overseas Organ Transplant Disclosure and Other Measures) Bill 2023 – tabled 14 May 2024

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

- Administrative Review Tribunal Bill 2023 [Provisions] and related bills tabled 13 May 2024
- Modern Slavery Amendment (Australian Anti-Slavery Commissioner) Bill 2023 [Provisions]
 [Additional information] tabled 14 May 2024

Scrutiny of Bills Committee

Scrutiny Digest 6 of 2024 – tabled 16 May 2024

Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee

- Annual Report 2023 tabled 17 May 2024
- <u>Delegated Legislation Monitor 5 of 2024</u> tabled 17 May 2024

Selection of Bills Committee

• Report No. 5 of 2024 - tabled 16 May 2024

Joint Committees

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee

 Inquiry into Australia's response to the priorities of Pacific Island countries and the Pacific region – submissions due 28 June 2024

Public Works Committee

• <u>Department of Finance — Proposed Fit-out of New Commonwealth Parliament Offices at One Festival Tower, Adelaide, South Australia – submissions due 13 June 2024</u>

Social Media and Australian Society Committee

 <u>Joint Select Committee on Social Media and Australian Society</u> – date for closure of submissions to be advised – interim report due 15 August 2024 and final report due 18 November 2024

Trade and Investment Growth Committee

Inquiry into the understanding and utilisation of benefits under Free Trade Agreements
 submissions due 21 June 2024

Treaties Committee

- Agreement Between the Government of Australia and the Government of Papua New Guinea on a Framework for Closer Security Relations – submissions due 5 June 2024
- <u>Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity Agreement relating to Supply Chain</u> <u>Resilience</u> – submissions due 5 June 2024
- <u>International Labour Organization Convention No. 187: Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention adopted at Geneva on 15 June 2006</u>
 submissions due 5 June 2024
- <u>International Labour Organization Convention No. 191: Safe and Healthy Working</u>
 <u>Environment (Consequential Amendments) Convention</u> submissions due 5 June 2024

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Corporations and Financial Services Committee

Statutory inquiry into ASIC, the Takeovers Panel, and the corporations legislation:
 Competition in clearing and settlement and the ASX CHESS Replacement Project: The CHESS Replacement Project is too important to fail – tabled 24 April 2024 (Senate)

 15 May 2024 (House)

Human Rights Committee

- Human rights scrutiny reports—Report 3 of 2024 tabled 15 May 2024
- Human rights scrutiny reports—Report 4 of 2024 tabled 15 May 2024

Intelligence and Security Committee

 Review of the Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Act 2018 – tabled 27 March 2024 (House) 14 May 2024 (Senate)

National Capital and External Territories Committee

 A Capital for All Australians: Report of the inquiry into fostering and promoting the significance of Australia's National Capital – tabled 15 May 2024

Public Accounts and Audit Committee

• <u>2023-24 Draft Estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary</u> <u>Budget Office</u> – tabled 14 May 2024

Public Works Committee

- Eighty Seventh Annual Report tabled 14 May 2024
- Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Nuclear Medicine Facility project: Report 3/2024 – tabled 14 May 2024

Trade and Investment Growth Committee

Strengthening Australia's approach to trade negotiations – tabled 14 May 2024

Treaties Committee

Report 215: AANZFTA Second Protocol – tabled 15 May 2024

Laws passed

As at the close of business on Thursday 16 May 2024, the following Bills have passed both Houses and are awaiting assent by the Governor-General:

- Administrative Review Tribunal (Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 1) Bill 2023-2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum relating to sheet UP104
 - Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum relating to sheet TM116
 - Revised Explanatory Memorandum
- Administrative Review Tribunal (Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 2) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Agriculture Legislation Amendment (Modernising Administrative Processes) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Digital ID Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum
 - Revised Explanatory Memorandum
- <u>Digital ID (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2024</u>
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Fair Work Amendment Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Health Legislation Amendment (Removal of Requirement for a Collaborative Arrangement)
 Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- National Cancer Screening Register Amendment Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- <u>National Security Legislation Amendment (Comprehensive Review and Other Measures</u> No. 3) 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum
- New Vehicle Efficiency Standard Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- New Vehicle Efficiency Standard (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum

- Parliamentary Business Resources Legislation Amendment (Review Implementation and Other Measures) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum
 - Revised Explanatory Memorandum
- <u>Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Military Invalidity Payments Means Testing) Bill 2024</u>
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum
- <u>Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Enhancing Consumer Safeguards and Other Measures)</u>
 Bill 2023-2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Tax Accountability and Fairness) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum

Between the close of business on Thursday 28 March 2024 and the close of business on Thursday 16 May 2024, the following Bills have received 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) 2023-2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Defence Amendment (Safeguarding Australia's Military Secrets) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - <u>Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum</u>
 - Revised Explanatory Memorandum
- Defence Trade Controls Amendment Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum
 - Revised Explanatory Memorandum
- Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Foreign Investment) Bill 2024
 - Explanatory Memorandum

- <u>Treasury Laws Amendment (Making Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share—Integrity and Transparency) Bill 2024</u>
 - Explanatory Memorandum
 - Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum

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