

31 July–3 August 2023

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Housing Australia Future Fund Bill 2023 \[No. 2\]](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [National Housing Supply and Affordability Council Bill 2023 \[No. 2\]](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Housing Measures No. 1\) Bill 2023 \[No. 2\]](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Higher Education Support Amendment \(Response to the Australian Universities Accord Interim Report\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 3 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 3 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of House Committees

No new inquiries were announced.

Reports of House Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Petitions Committee

- [Report No. 12](#) – tabled 31 July 2023

Selection Committee

- [Report No. 15](#) – tabled 2 August 2023

Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee

- [You win some, you lose more: Online gambling and its impacts on those experiencing gambling harm](#) – tabled out of session 26 June 2023

SENATE

Bills initiated in the Senate

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Nature Repair Market Bill 2023](#) – introduced 31 July 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Nature Repair Market \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 31 July 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Biosecurity Amendment \(Advanced Compliance Measures\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Intellectual Property Laws Amendment \(Regulator Performance\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Public Service Amendment Bill 2023](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2023 Law Improvement Package No. 1\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2023 Measures No. 3\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 2 August 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Climate Change Amendment \(Duty of Care and Intergenerational Climate Equity\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 3 August 2023, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Copyright Legislation Amendment \(Fair Pay for Radio Play\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 3 August 2023, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment \(Vaccine Indemnity\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 3 August 2023, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of Senate Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

- [National Occupational Respiratory Disease Registry Bill 2023 \[Provisions\] and National Occupational Respiratory Disease Registry \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due by 14 August 2023

Environment and Communications Committee

- [Climate Change Amendment \(Duty of Care and Intergenerational Climate Equity\) Bill 2023](#) – submissions due by 20 October 2023

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

- [International Organisations \(Privileges and Immunities\) Amendment Bill 2023](#) – submissions due by 14 August 2023

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

- [Inspector-General of Live Animal Exports Amendment \(Animal Welfare\) Bill 2023](#) – submissions due 14 August 2023

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority Amendment \(Disclosure of Information\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled out of session 26 July 2023
- [Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled 3 August 2023
- [Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment \(Strengthening the Safety Net\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled out of session 24 July 2023

Economics Legislation Committee

- [ASIC investigation and enforcement: Further report on compliance with order for the production of documents](#) – tabled out of session 28 July 2023
- [Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023
- [Progress report: Digital Assets \(Market Regulation\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023
- [Progress report: Treasury Laws Amendment \(2023 Law Improvement Package No. 1\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2023 Law Improvement Package No. 1\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – tabled out of session 28 July 2023

Economics References Committee

- [ASIC investigation and enforcement: Report on compliance with orders for the production of documents](#) – tabled out of session 19 July 2023

Education and Employment Legislation Committee

- [Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled 3 August 2023

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

- [Environment Protection \(Sea Dumping\) Amendment \(Using New Technologies to Fight Climate Change\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#) – tabled out of session 27 July 2023
- [Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Amendment \(Administrative Changes\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled 3 August 2023
- [Progress report: Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023
- [Progress report: Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards \(Administrative Changes\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled out of session 27 July 2023

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

- [Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023
- [Governor-General Amendment \(Cessation of Allowances in the Public Interest\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled 31 July 2023

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

- [Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023

Foreign Interference through Social Media Committee

- [Final report](#) – tabled 1 August 2023

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Crimes Legislation Amendment \(Combatting Foreign Bribery\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#)
– tabled out of session 26 July 2023

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

- [Biosecurity Amendment \(Advanced Compliance Measures\) Bill 2023 \[Provisions\]](#)
– tabled out of session 27 July 2023
- [Budget estimates 2023-24](#) – tabled out of session 27 June 2023

Scrutiny of Bills Committee

- [Scrutiny digest 8 of 2023](#) – tabled 2 August 2023

Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee

- [Delegated Legislation Monitor 8 of 2023](#) – tabled 2 August 2023

Selection of Bills Committee

- [Report No. 8 of 2023](#) – tabled 3 August 2023

JOINT COMMITTEES

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Review of the 2023 relisting of three organisations as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code](#) – submissions due by 11 August 2023
- [Review of the Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Amendment Rules 2023](#)
– submissions due by 11 August 2023
- [Review of the Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2023](#) – submissions due by 31 August 2023

Public Works Committee

- [Australian Taxation Office—Proposed Fit-out of New Leased Premises at 15 Sydney Avenue, Barton, ACT](#) – submissions due by 31 August 2023
- [Department of Defence—Armoured Fighting Vehicles Facilities Program - Stage 2](#)
– submissions due by 31 August 2023
- [Department of Defence—Edinburgh Defence Precinct Mid-Term Refresh](#) – submissions due by 31 August 2023
- [National Capital Authority—Scrivener Dam Dissipator Strengthening project](#)
– submissions due by 31 August 2023

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Corporations and Financial Services Committee

- [Corporate insolvency in Australia](#) – tabled out of session 12 July 2023
- [Report on the 2021–2022 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act](#) – tabled out of session 11 July 2023
- [Statutory inquiry into ASIC, the Takeovers Panel, and the corporations legislation: ASIC licence transfers](#) – tabled out of session 10 July 2023

Human Rights Committee

- [Human rights scrutiny report: Report 8 of 2023](#) – tabled 2 August 2023

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Review of Administration and Expenditure - No 20 2020-2021 - Australian Intelligence Agencies](#) – tabled 31 July 2023

Public Accounts and Audit Committee

- [Report 495 Inquiry into Commonwealth grants administration](#) – tabled out of session 29 June 2023
- [Report 496 Inquiry into the Defence Major Projects Report 2020-21 and 2021-22 and Procurement of Hunter Class Frigates](#) – tabled out of session 29 June 2023
- [Report 497 Inquiry into Commonwealth Financial Statements 2021–22](#) – tabled out of session 29 June 2023

Treaties Committee

- [Report 210: Timor-Leste Cooperation in the Field of Defence and the Status of Visiting Forces; Serbia Social Security Agreement](#) – tabled 3 August 2023

LAWS PASSED

The following Bills passed both Houses last week:

- [Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment \(Strengthening the Safety Net\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

The following Bills received assent by the Governor-General between the close of business on 22 June 2023 and the close of business on 7 August 2023:

- [Appropriation Bill \(No 1\) 2023-2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Appropriation Bill \(No 2\) 2023-2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Appropriation \(Parliamentary Departments\) Bill \(No. 1\) 2023-2024](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Amendment Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [Creative Australia Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Correction to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Creative Australia \(Consequential and Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Customs Tariff Amendment \(Incorporation of Proposals\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Customs Tariff Amendment \(Product Stewardship for Oil\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Defence Legislation Amendment \(Naval Nuclear Propulsion\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Education Legislation Amendment \(Startup Year and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Excise Tariff Amendment \(Product Stewardship for Oil\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Fair Work Legislation Amendment \(Protecting Worker Entitlements\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Family Assistance Legislation Amendment \(Child Care Subsidy\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy \(Collection\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Migration Amendment \(Giving Documents and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [National Vocational Education and Training Regulator \(Data Streamlining\) Amendment Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Security \(Administration\) Amendment \(Income Management Reform\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(Child Support Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Special Recreational Vessels Amendment Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2022 Measures No. 4\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Refining and Improving Our Tax System\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures No. 2\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

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