

13–17 November 2023

House of Representatives

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Commonwealth Electoral Amendment \(Voter Protections in Political Advertising\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 13 November 2023, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Lobbying \(Improving Government Honesty and Trust\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 13 November 2023, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Bankruptcy Amendment \(Discharge from Bankruptcy\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 14 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment \(Omnibus No. 2\) 2023](#) – introduced 14 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Attorney-General's Portfolio Miscellaneous Measures Bill 2023](#) – introduced 15 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment \(Costs Protection\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 15 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Amendment Bill 2023](#) – introduced 15 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Australian Naval Nuclear Power Safety Bill 2023](#) – introduced 16 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Australian Naval Nuclear Power Safety \(Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 16 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Migration Amendment \(Bridging Visa Conditions\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 16 November 2023, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Superannuation \(Objective\) Bill 2023](#) – introduced 16 November 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:

Communications and the Arts Committee

- [Connecting the country: Mission critical: Inquiry into co-investment in multi-carrier regional mobile infrastructure](#) – tabled 15 November 2023

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee

- [Supporting democracy in our region](#) – tabled 16 November 2023

Petitions Committee

- [Report 17](#) – tabled 13 November 2023

Public Works Committee

- [National Capital Authority—Scrivener Dam Dissipator Strengthening project and other works \(8th report of 2023\)](#) – tabled 14 November 2023

Selection Committee

- [Report No. 20](#) – tabled 15 November 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:

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 \[Provisions\]](#) – submissions due by 1 February 2024

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

- [Primary Industries \(Excise\) Levies Bill 2023 \[Provisions\] and related bills](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Selection of Bills Committee

- [Report 14 of 2023](#) – tabled 15 November 2023

Joint Committees

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Committee on Treaties

- [Acts of the Universal Postal Union adopted by the 2nd Extraordinary Congress: Tenth Additional Protocol to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union and Second Additional Protocol to the General Regulations of Universal Postal Union](#) – submissions due by 7 December 2023
- [Acts of the Universal Postal Union adopted by the 27th Universal Postal Congress: Eleventh Additional Protocol to the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union, Third Additional Protocol to the General Regulations of Universal Postal Union, the Universal Postal Convention, the Final Protocol of the Universal Postal Convention, the Postal Payment Services Convention and the Final Protocol to the Postal Payment Services Convention](#) – submissions due by 7 December 2023

Parliamentary Committee on Intelligence and Security

- [Review of the 2023 relisting of two organisations as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code](#) – submissions due by 23 November 2023

Parliamentary Committee on Public Works

- [Airservices Australia — PFAS Remediation of Former Fire Training Ground at Launceston Airport, Tasmania](#) – submissions due by 9 January 2024
- [Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation — Nuclear Medicine Facility project](#) – submissions due by 10 January 2024
- [Department of Defence — RAAF Base Darwin—Mid-term Refresh](#) – submissions due by 10 January 2024

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new Committee reports were tabled:

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

- [Supporting democracy in our region](#) – tabled 16 November 2023

Committee on Human Rights

- [Human rights scrutiny report: Report 12 of 2023](#) – tabled 15 November 2023

Committee on Intelligence and Security

- [Advisory report on the Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment \(Prohibited Hate Symbols and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#) – tabled 15 November 2023

Committee on the National Disability Insurance Scheme

- [Capability and Culture of the NDIA](#) – tabled 16 November 2023

Committee on Public Accounts and Audit

- [Report 501: Annual report 2022-23](#) – tabled 15 November 2023

Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills

- [Scrutiny digest 14 of 2023](#) – tabled 15 November 2023

Laws passed

As at the close of business on Friday 17 November, the following Bills have passed both Houses and are awaiting assent by the Governor-General:

- [Bankruptcy Amendment \(Discharge from Bankruptcy\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Counter-Terrorism and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment \(Omnibus No. 2\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Disability Services and Inclusion Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Disability Services and Inclusion \(Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Revised Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Environment Protection \(Sea Dumping\) Amendment \(Using New Technologies to Fight Climate Change\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Federal Courts Legislation Amendment \(Judicial Immunity\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Health Insurance Amendment \(Professional Services Review Scheme No. 2\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Inspector-General of Live Animal Exports Amendment \(Animal Welfare\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Ministers of State Amendment Bill 2022](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment \(Supporting the Transition to Work\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment \(Australia's Engagement in the Pacific\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2023 Measures No. 1\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)

The following Bills received assent by the Governor-General between the close of business on Friday 10 November and the close of business on Friday 17 November:

- [Intellectual Property Laws Amendment \(Regulator Performance\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Migration Amendment \(Bridging Visa Conditions\) Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Supplementary Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Statutory Declarations Amendment Bill 2023](#)
 - [Explanatory Memoranda](#)

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