

AGS Last week in Parliament

3 – 6 November 2025

House of Representatives

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Commonwealth Electoral Amendment \(Protecting Voters\) Bill 2025](#) – introduced 3 November 2025, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Stopping Wind Farms in State Forests Bill 2025](#) – introduced 3 November 2025, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Copyright Amendment Bill 2025](#) – introduced 5 November 2025, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Communications Legislation Amendment \(Australian Content Requirement for Subscription Video On Demand \(Streaming\) Services\) Bill 2025](#) – 6 November 2025, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Migration Amendment \(Combatting Migrant Exploitation\) Bill 2025](#) – 6 November 2025, Government Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of House Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Economics Committee

- [Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia Annual Report 2025](#) – not open to submissions

Industry, Innovation and Science Committee

- [Inquiry into the current state of the Australian tyre industry, and any challenges and opportunities for the industry within the context of a circular economy](#) – submissions due 23 January 2026

Regional Development, Infrastructure and Transport Committee

- [Inquiry into Local Government Funding and Fiscal Sustainability](#) – submissions due 3 February 2026

Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee

- [Inquiry into the relationship between domestic, family and sexual violence and suicide](#) – submissions due 30 January 2026

Reports of House Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Petitions Committee

- [Report No. 4 summarising the petitions and ministerial responses being presented](#)
– tabled 3 November 2025

Selection Committee

- [Report No. 5 relating to the consideration of committee and delegation business and private Members' business](#) – tabled 5 November 2025

Senate

Bills initiated in the Senate

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Mandatory Regulation Impact Statement Bill 2025](#) – introduced 3 November 2025, Private Senator's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Fair Work Amendment \(Right to Work from Home\) Bill 2025](#) – 5 November 2025, Private Member's Bill
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

New inquiries of Senate Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Community Affairs References Committee

- [Support at Home Program](#) – submissions due 31 July 2026
- [Commonwealth Home Support Program to the Support at Home Program](#)
– submissions due 30 January 2026
- [Impact of microplastics and other toxins on human health](#) – submissions due 6 March 2026

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

- [Sanctions against the Russian Federation](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Copyright Amendment Bill 2025](#) – submissions due 28 November 2025

Operation of the Capital Gains Tax Discount Select Committee

- [Select Committee on the Operation of the Capital Gains Tax Discount](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Productivity in Australia Select Committee

- [Select Committee on Productivity in Australia](#) – date for closure of submissions to be advised

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

- [Issues relating to advocacy services for veterans accessing compensation and income support](#) – tabled 4 November 2025
- [National Volunteer Incentive Scheme \(Climate Army\)](#) – tabled 6 November 2025

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Administrative Review Tribunal and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#) – tabled 6 November 2025

Scrutiny of Bills Committee

- [Scrutiny Digest 7 of 2025](#) – tabled 5 November 2025

Selection of Bills Committee

- [Report no. 8 of 2025](#) – tabled 6 November 2025

Procedure Committee

- [Motions to take note of answers](#) – tabled 5 November 2025

Joint Committees

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee

- [Inquiry into the role of Australia's international development program in preventing conflict](#) – submissions due 20 January 2026
- [Inquiry into gender equality as a national security and economic security imperative](#) – submissions due 20 January 2026

Public Accounts and Audit Committee

- [Inquiry into Commonwealth Financial Statements 2023–24](#) – submissions due 5 December 2025

Public Works Committee

- [Department of Defence—9 Molonglo Drive project, Brindabella Park, Australian Capital Territory](#) – submissions due 15 December 2025

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Advisory report on the Strengthening Oversight of the National Intelligence Community Bill 2025](#) – tabled 4 November 2025 (Senate); 5 November (House)

National Disability Insurance Scheme Committee

- [NDIS participant experience in rural, regional and remote Australia](#) – tabled 6 November 2025 (Senate)

Laws passed

As at the close of business on Friday 7 November 2025, the following Bills have passed both Houses and are awaiting assent by the Governor-General:

- [Australian Centre for Disease Control Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Australian Centre for Disease Control \(Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

Between the close of business on Friday 31 October 2025 and the close of business on Friday 7 November 2025, the following Bills received assent by the Governor-General:

- [Commonwealth Workplace Protection Orders Bill 2025](#)
 - [Replacement Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Australian Energy Regulator Separation\) Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Criminal Code Amendment \(State Sponsors of Terrorism\) Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Fair Work Amendment \(Baby Priya's\) Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Health Legislation Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures No. 1\) Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Private Health Insurance \(National Joint Replacement Register Levy\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)

- [Superannuation Guarantee Charge Amendment Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Payday Superannuation\) Bill 2025](#)
 - [Explanatory Memorandum](#)
 - [Addendum to Explanatory Memorandum](#)

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