

AGS Last week in Parliament

12-15 October 2026

House of Representatives

Bills initiated in the House

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Antisemitism in Higher Education Bill 2026](#) – introduced 12 October 2026, Private Member's Bill
- [Autonomous Sanctions Amendment \(Iran and Syria\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 12 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Sex Discrimination and Fair Work Amendment \(Equality in Treatment in Religious Schools\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 12 October 2026, Private Member's Bill
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Tax Reform No. 3\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 14 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Domestic Gas Reservation Bill 2026](#) – introduced 14 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Domestic Gas Reservation \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 14 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Domestic Gas Reservation Levy Bill 2026](#) – introduced 14 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Income Tax Rates Amendment \(Minimum Tax on Discretionary Trusts\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 14 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Online Safety Amendment \(Digital Duty of Care\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 15 October 2026, Government Bill
- [Private Health Insurance Amendment \(Modernising the Private Health Insurance Rebate\) Bill 2026 \[No. 2\]](#) – introduced 15 October 2026, Government Bill

Explanatory memoranda are available on the Bill page.

New inquiries of House Committees

No new inquiries were announced.

Reports of House Committees

Industry, Innovation and Science Committee

- [When the rubber hits the road: Inquiry into the Australian tyre industry](#) – tabled 15 October 2026

Selection Committee

- [Report No. 17](#) – tabled 14 October 2026

Senate

Bills initiated in the Senate

The following new Bills were initiated:

- [Census and Statistics Amendment \(Parliamentary Oversight of the Census\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 12 October 2026, Private Member's Bill
- [Freedom of Information and Other Legislation Amendment \(Stop the Financial Coercion\) Bill 2026](#) – introduced 14 October 2026, Private Member's Bill
- [Members of Parliament \(Staff\) Amendment \(Safe Staffing Guarantee\) Bill 2026](#) – 14 October 2026, Private Member's Bill
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Scrapping Scope 3\) Bill 2026](#) – 14 October 2026, Private Member's Bill
- [Wearable Recording Devices \(Import Control\) Bill 2026](#) – 14 October 2026, Private Member's Bill

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New inquiries of Senate Committees

The following new inquiries were announced:

Economics Legislation Committee

- [Domestic Gas Reservation Bill 2026, Domestic Gas Reservation Levy Bill 2026 and related bills](#) – submissions due 29 October 2026
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Tax Reform No. 3\) Bill 2026 and Income Tax Rates Amendment \(Minimum Tax on Discretionary Trusts\) Bill 2026](#) – submissions due 29 October 2026

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

- [Online Safety Amendment \(Digital Duty of Care\) Bill 2026](#) – submissions due 30 October 2026

Reports of Senate Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Aged Care Legislation Amendment \(Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Commissioner and Other Measures\) Bill 2026](#) – tabled out of session 9 October 2026
- [Private Health Insurance Amendment \(Modernising the Private Health Insurance Rebate\) Bill 2026](#) – tabled out of session 7 October 2026

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

- [Interactive Gambling Amendment \(Gambling Reform\) Bill 2026 and National Self-exclusion Register \(Cost Recovery Levy\) Amendment Bill 2026 \[Additional information\]](#) – tabled 15 October 2026

Environment and Communications References Committee

- [Australia Post retail network](#) – tabled out of session 9 October 2026
- [Greenwashing](#) – tabled out of session 9 October 2026
- [Triple Zero service outage](#) – tabled out of session 21 September 2026

Finance and Public Administration Committee

- [Financial support for state and territory infrastructure projects](#) – tabled 15 October 2026

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

- [Defence Amendment \(Sexual Assault Prevention, Intervention and Response Commission\) Bill 2025](#) – tabled out of session 7 October 2026

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

- [Crimes Amendment \(Prohibiting Shackling During Childbirth\) Bill 2026](#) – tabled out of session 7 October 2026
- [Crimes Amendment \(Prohibiting Shackling During Childbirth\) Bill 2026 \[Additional information\]](#) – tabled 15 October 2026
- [Crimes Amendment \(Prohibiting the Strip Searching of Children\) Bill 2026](#) – tabled 13 October 2026
- [Criminal Code Amendment \(National Sport Integrity Offences\) Bill 2026](#) – tabled out of session 2 October 2026
- [Customs and Other Legislation Amendment \(Illicit Tobacco Enforcement Modernisation and Other Measures\) Bill 2026](#) – tabled out of session 8 October 2026

Scrutiny of Bills Committee

- [Scrutiny Digest 13 of 2026](#) – tabled 14 October 2026

Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee

- [Delegated Legislation Monitor 10 of 2026](#) – tabled 14 October 2026

Selection of Bills Committee

- [Report no. 13 of 2026](#) – tabled 15 October 2026

Joint Committees

New inquiries of Joint Committees

The following new inquiry was announced:

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Review of Administration and Expenditure No. 25 \(2025-26\)](#) – submissions due 13 November 2026

Reports of Joint Committees

The following new reports were tabled:

Human Rights Committee

- [Report 11 of 2026](#) – tabled 14 October 2026

Implementation of the National Redress Scheme Committee

- [Their Courage, Our Responsibility](#) – tabled 14 October 2026

Intelligence and Security Committee

- [Advisory Report on the Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill 2026](#) – tabled 13 October 2026
- [Review of Administration and Expenditure no. 24 \(2024-25\): Australian Intelligence Agencies](#) – tabled 13 October 2026

Laws passed

As at the close of business on 15 October 2026, the following Bills had passed both Houses and were awaiting assent by the Governor-General:

- [Aged Care Legislation Amendment \(Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Commissioner and Other Measures\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Autonomous Sanctions Amendment \(Iran and Syria\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Customs and Other Legislation Amendment \(Illicit Tobacco Enforcement Modernisation and Other Measures\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Health Insurance Amendment \(Incentive Payments and Other Measures\) Bill 2026](#)
- [National Student Ombudsman Levy Bill 2026](#)
- [Sport Legislation Amendment \(World Anti-Doping Code Implementation\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Telecommunications Amendment \(Enhancing Consumer Safeguards\) Bill 2025](#)
- [Telecommunications Legislation Amendment \(Universal Outdoor Mobile Obligation\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Amendment \(National Student Ombudsman Levy\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Universities Accord \(Opening the Doors of Opportunity\) Bill 2026](#)

Between the close of business on 17 September 2026 and the close of business on 15 October 2026, the following Bills received assent by the Governor-General:

- [Customs Amendment \(Safeguard Inquiries\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Defence Force Discipline Amendment \(RCDVS Implementation and Related Measures No. 1\) Bill 2026](#)
- [Defence Legislation Amendment \(RCDVS Implementation and Related Measures No. 2\) Bill 2026](#)

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