

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PETITIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 19

Petitions

and

Ministerial Responses

5 February 2018

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Report relating to the consideration of petitions and matters relating to the petitions system

The committee met in private session on Wednesday 13 September and Wednesday 6 December 2017.

1. The committee resolved to present the following petitions in accordance with standing order 207:

From 878 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0095)**

From 306 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0183)**

From 88 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0195)**

From 55 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0196)**

From 98 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0197)**

From 117 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0198)**

From 301 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0199)**

From 11 petitioners – requesting an alternative decision for the inland rail route **(PN0201)**

From 173 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0202)**

From 173 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0203)**

From 1518 petitioners – requesting Deniliquin be reclassified as a district of workforce shortage **(PN0204)**

From 203 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0205)**

From 86 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0207)**

From 189 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0208)**

From 274 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0209)**

From 60 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0211)**

From 14 petitioners – requesting the House support legislation to reverse the decision to cut penalty rates **(PN0213)**

From 474 petitions – requesting the House refuse to provide taxpayer funds to the Adani Company **(PN0214)**

From 353 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0215)**

From 192 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0216)**

From 129 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0217)**

From 91 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0218)**

From 33 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0219)**

From 39 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0220)**

From 40 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0223)**

From 58 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0224)**

From 170 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0225)**

From 751 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0226)**

From 552 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0229)**

From 92 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0231)**

From 102 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0232)**

From 150 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0233)**

From 168 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0234)**

From 42 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0235)**

From 135 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0236)**

From 68 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0237)**

From 440 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0238)**

From 406 petitioners – requesting changes to tax legislation for minors **(PN0239)**

From 16 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0240)**

From 31 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0241)**

From 496 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0242)**

From 56 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0244)**

From 181 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0245)**

From 120 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0246)**

From 280 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0247)**

From 560 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0248)**

From 302 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0251)**

From 277 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0252)**

From 150 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0254)**

From 22 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0255)**

From 35 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0256)**

From 85 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0257)**

From 177 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0258)**

From 429 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0259)**

From 234 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0260)**

From 103 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0261)**

From 17 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0262)**

From 362 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0263)**

From 16 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0264)**

From 13 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0265)**

From 207 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0266)**

From 208 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0267)**

From 53 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0268)**

From 186 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0269)**

From 234 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0270)**

From 118 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0272)**

From 316 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Interactive Gambling Act 2001 **(PN0273)**

From 342 petitioners – requesting Llandilo Post Office be the local post office for residents of Berkshire Park **(PN0274)**

From 257 petitioners – requesting action on climate change **(PN0275)**

From 1547 petitioners – requesting an inquiry into the recreational vehicle industry **(EN0400)**

From 10 petitioners – requesting clarification of various aspects of Section 1 of the Constitution **(EN0401)**

From 7 petitioners – requesting clarification of various aspects of Clause 2 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act **(EN0402)**

From 7 petitioners – requesting clarification of various aspects of Clause 2 of the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act **(EN0403)**

From 7 petitioners – requesting clarification of Section 59 of the Constitution **(EN0404)**

From 17 petitioners – requesting changes to staff patient ratios in aged care facilities **(EN0405)**

From 23 petitioners – requesting amendments to the Ombudsman Act **(EN0406)**

From 2 petitioners – requesting changes to the National Anthem **(EN0407)**

From 6 petitioners – requesting changes to sex education provided in schools
(EN0409)

From 2 petitioners – requesting clarification of an MP’s legal standing to be
elected to the 45th Parliament according to Section 44 of the Constitution
(EN0412)

From 2 petitioners – requesting for all politicians to provide proof of
Australian citizenship **(EN0415)**

From 5 petitioners – requesting that existing anti-discrimination legislation be
maintained **(EN0417)**

From 1 petitioner – requesting the Friendlies East Victoria Park Pharmacy be
permitted to operate as a PBS pharmacy **(EN0419)**

From 145 petitioners – requesting a Royal Commission into the actions of
Child Protection Services **(EN0420)**

From 23 petitioners – requesting for the cessation of geoengineering and
weather modification **(EN0421)**

From 54 petitioners – requesting changes to legislation that permits forced
psychiatry **(EN0422)**

From 8 petitioners – requesting clarification as to who hold the style of
‘Defender of the Faith’ in the Commonwealth **(EN0423)**

From 7 petitioners – requesting clarification on various aspects of the Australia Act 1986 (UK) **(EN0424)**

From 9 petitioners – requesting clarification on the divisibility of the Crown **(EN0425)**

From 338 petitioners – requesting an audit of the results of the vote on same-sex marriage **(EN0426)**

From 4 petitioners – requesting the removal of tax exemptions from religious organisations **(EN0427)**

From 2 petitioners – requesting an investigation into Defence land use rezoning **(EN0434)**

From 44 petitioners – requesting mandatory influenza vaccinations for children from birth to 12 years of age **(EN0435)**

From 13 petitioners – requesting legislated restrictions for utility company fees **(EN0436)**

From 32 petitioners – requesting the removal of the Safe Schools Program from Australian schools **(EN0437)**

From 20 petitioners – requesting a ban on pesticide use in Australia **(EN0440)**

From 4 petitioners – requesting an independent review on the treatment of asylum seekers on Manus Island **(EN0443)**

From 20 petitioners – requesting the House stop the Treasury Laws Amendment (Housing Tax Integrity) Bill 2017 **(EN0447)**

The following ministerial responses to petitions were received:

From the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport – to a petition regarding Pedestrian and cyclist access at Brisbane Airport **(EN0163)**

From the Minister of Communications – to a petition regarding Sexual health advertisements on television and outdoors **(EN0214)**

From the Minister for the Environment and Energy– to a petition regarding a flying fox colony in Murrundi **(EN0215)**

From the Minister for Justice – to a petition regarding a national level corruption watchdog **(EN0233)**

From the Attorney-General – to a petition regarding the practice of Sharia law in Australia and other matters **(EN0235)**

From the Minister for Revenue and Financial Services – to a petition regarding military superannuation invalidity pensions **(EN0242)**

From the Minister for Social Services – to a petition regarding the aged pension **(EN0247)**

From the Attorney-General – to a petition regarding Wahhabism in Australia **(EN0260)**

From the Minister for Communications – to a petition regarding online gambling and video game loot box systems **(EN0267)**

From the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection – to a petition regarding Australia’s refugee and humanitarian intake **(EN0271)**

From the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection – to a petition regarding citizenship requirements **(EN0275)**

From the Minister for Small Business – to a petition regarding amendments to Australian consumer law **(EN0278)**

From the Attorney-General – to a petition regarding the monitoring of mosques **(EN0283)**

From the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection – to a petition regarding Muslim migration **(EN0284)**

From the Minister for Foreign Affairs – to a petition regarding the safety of Hazara communities in Afghanistan **(EN0304)**

From the Minister for Health – to a petition regarding melanoma surveillance photography **(EN0305)**

From the Minister for Veterans’ Affairs – to a petition regarding the *Defence Force Retirement and Death Penalties Act 1973* **(PN0063)**

From the Minister for the Environment and Energy – to a petition regarding the proposed Hume coal project **(PN0076)**

From the Minister for Communications – to a petition regarding the closure of the post office at Everton Park, Queensland **(PN0077)**

From the Assistant Minister for Health – to a petition regarding Bundaberg’s classification under the rural, remote and metropolitan areas system
(PN0088)

The terms of the petitions and the responses will be recorded in Hansard.

Mrs Lucy Wicks MP

Chair – Petitions Committee