

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PETITIONS COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 12

Petitions

and

Ministerial Responses

31 July 2023

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Report summarising the petitions and ministerial responses being presented.

The committee met in private session in the 47th Parliament on 24 May 2023, 31 May 2023, 14 June 2023 and 21 June 2023.

1. The committee resolved to present the following 65 petitions in accordance with standing order 207:

Petitions certified on 24 May 2023

From 14187 petitioners – requesting no mRNA vaccines for our animals **(EN5106)**

From 19 petitioners – requesting that the ATO to cease acquiring residential investment property loan data **(EN5111)**

From 437 petitioners – regarding a declaration of dissent to the Voice, Treaty Truth process **(EN5112)**

From 5 petitioners – requesting Hindutva propaganda be banned from Australian cinemas **(EN5113)**

From 759 petitioners – requesting a formal review of Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena (UAP) **(EN5115)**

From 27 petitioners – requesting a Royal Commission into teaching in Australia **(EN5116)**

From 974 petitioners – requesting an urgent response to the war in Sudan **(EN5121)**

From 80 petitioners – requesting that the Legislation for Stage 3 Tax Cuts **be** re-examined **(EN5124)**

From 40 petitioners – requesting a governance safeguard for sound medical scientific evidence **(EN5125)**

From 20 petitioners – regarding dual citizenship policy **(EN5126)**

From 110 petitioners – regarding farmers **(EN5128)**

From 26 petitioners – requesting the prioritisation of Humanitarian visas for Sudanese nationals **(EN5129)**

From 41 petitioners – requesting a decrease of MPs' wages to the jobseeker rate **(EN5130)**

From 51 petitioners – requesting an overhaul to the Disability Support Pension income rules for employment **(EN5131)**

Petitions certified on 31 May 2023

From 61 petitioners – regarding flights and U-Turns over the Bay in Brisbane **(EN5132)**

From 5 petitioners – regarding 494 Visa processing times **(EN5133)**

From 1327 petitioners – requesting fair pay for music played and that radio caps be removed **(EN5134)**

From 63060 petitioners – requesting that gender affirming care not be covered by Medicare. **(EN5135)**

From 13 petitioners – requesting that the post-study 485 visa be extended to include a certain postgraduate qualification **(EN5136)**

From 25 petitioners – requesting that Donald Trump Jr. be denied a visa **(EN5138)**

From 80 petitioners – requesting the cessation of free sexual adult content online **(EN5139)**

From 73 petitioners – requesting a 'Mercy Amendment' to the whistleblower protections for persons with disability **(EN5140)**

From 253 petitioners – requesting that Australia's unused F18 Hornets be donated to aid Ukraine **(EN5142)**

From 7738 petitioners – requesting funding to the Tasmanian Government for the AFL stadium in Tasmania **(EN5143)**

From 81 petitioners – regarding domestic violence and financial abuse mitigation for financial institutions **(EN5144)**

From 101 petitioners – requesting Ease housing crisis. Ease immigration **(EN5146)**

From 10 petitioners – requesting post-study work visas for graduates of 1.5 year Master's programs **(EN5147)**

From 57 petitioners – requesting PwC and associated entities be banned from Australian Government tenders **(EN5148)**

From 5865 petitioners – requesting an investigation into excess death since the commencement of Covid vaccines in Australia **(EN5149)**

Petitions certified on 14 June 2023

From 132 petitioners – requesting that jumping prevention barriers be installed on Douglas Park Bridge **(EN5114)**

From 15 petitioners – requesting the setting of minimum pay rises **(EN5150)**

From 21965 petitioners – requesting a permanent residency path for contributors to the economy during the pandemic **(EN5151)**

From 169 petitioners – requesting that Visanne be added to the PBS for patients with endometriosis **(EN5155)**

From 49 petitioners – requesting that banks be required to implement scams protection, and increase customer account security **(EN5156)**

From 17 petitioners – requesting that Wagner PMC be designated as a Terrorist organisation **(EN5157)**

From 6 petitioners – requesting better rights and protections for overseas remote workers **(EN5159)**

From 230 petitioners – requesting that synthetic meat in Australia be banned **(EN5162)**

From 69 petitioners – requesting that the existential risk from artificial intelligence, copyright violation, other harms be investigated **(EN5163)**

From 112 petitioners – requesting that NRAS funding be extended until the housing crisis is fixed. **(EN5165)**

From 295 petitioners – requesting that the RBA hold bitcoin. **(EN5167)**

From 8473 petitioners – requesting that for Medicare rebates lactation consultants be recognised **(EN5169)**

From 1696 petitioners – requesting a review of awards given to Commanders of Joint Task Force 633 **(EN5170)**

From 39 petitioners – regarding toxic Sludge in Tasmania's Tarkine Rainforest **(EN5171)**

From 10 petitioners – requesting a federal AI Environment Act **(EN5172)**

From 655 petitioners – requesting a rejection of the World Health Organisation Pandemic Treaty **(EN5174)**

From 21 petitioners – requesting General Sir Peter Cosgrove to review Afghanistan awards **(EN5179)**

From 59 petitioners – requesting an inquiry into all Aboriginal bureaucracies **(EN5182)**

From 1570 petitioners – requesting the setting of a 2-year statutory time limit for visa processing **(EN5186)**

From 48 petitioners – requesting negative gearing be abolished **(EN5191)**

From 1108 petitioners – requesting that Wagner group be designated as a terrorist organisation **(EN5196)**

Petition certified on 21 June 2023

From 2 petitioners – regarding the Russian Embassy **(EN5200)**

From 262 petitioners – requesting visa refunds for New Zealanders impacted by the July 2023 changes **(EN5201)**

From 75 petitioners – requesting conversion therapy be banned on a federal level **(EN5207)**

From 39 petitioners – requesting supermarket pricing transparency **(EN5209)**

From 2062 petitioners – regarding Condemn Azerbaijan’s Blockade of Artsakh **(EN5210)**

From 28 petitioners – requesting child support reform to make it fairer for paying parents **(EN5211)**

From 37 petitioners – requesting unpaid overtime be eliminated **(EN5212)**

From 19 petitioners – requesting visa refunds requested for New Zealand citizens caught in the changes **(EN5213)**

From 80 petitioners – requesting that the biosecurity levy imposed on farmers be removed **(EN5214)**

From 74 petitioners – requesting that artificial intelligence technology be urgently investigated and regulated **(EN5215)**

From 112 petitioners – requesting funding for Stage 4 of the Gold Coast light rail **(EN5216)**

From 1080 petitioners – requesting that Russia be allowed to build its new embassy in Canberra **(EN5219)**

From 42 petitioners – regarding the clinical onset definition for VEA Statements of Principles **(EN5220)**

From 71 petitioners – requesting access to free breast screening for young woman and men **(EN5221)**

From 16 petitioners – requesting a one-currency treaty between Australia and New Zealand **(EN5222)**

2. The following five ministerial responses to petitions were received:

Ministerial responses received by the Committee on 21 June 2023

From the Minister for Aged Care to a petition regarding minimum levels of enrolled nurse and allied health professional care time in residential aged care **(EN4717)**

From the Assistant Minister for Competition, Charities and Treasury to a petition requesting one or more legal methods by which individuals can voluntarily donate money directly to the Commonwealth of Australia **(EN4772)**

From the Minister for Housing to a petition regarding rental affordability in Australia **(EN4800)**

From the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government to a petition regarding the Australian Rail Track Corporations' (ARTC's) statutory corporation status **(EN4802)**

From the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme to a petition regarding NDIS worker screening **(EN4870)**

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