

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE SENATE**  
**ON THE STATUS OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSES TO PARLIAMENTARY**  
**COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
**as at 31 December 2020**

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## **BACKGROUND**

Twice a year the President provides a report to the Senate on the status of government responses to Senate and joint committee reports.

Government responses to committee reports are required within three months of a report being tabled,<sup>1</sup> and must be provided to committee chairs as well as tabled in the Senate.

This practice has arisen from a Senate resolution of 14 March 1973, in which the Senate declared its opinion that the government should provide a response to committee reports within three months of tabling.<sup>2</sup> Successive governments have affirmed their commitment to providing such responses.<sup>3</sup>

## **REPORTS THAT REQUIRE A GOVERNMENT RESPONSE**

Generally, if a committee report makes a recommendation to government then that report will require a government response.

However, Senate committee reports on bills which contain recommendations that could only be addressed during the consideration of the bill—for example, a recommendation that a bill be passed, rejected or amended—do not require a separate government response and therefore are not included in this report. If such reports contain other recommendations that do require a government response, the response may also be provided during debate on the bill rather than via correspondence to the committee chair and tabling in the Senate.

Reports by committees on estimates or scrutiny of annual reports are not included in this report, unless they contain recommendations that require a government response.

Reports of certain domestic committees, including Appropriations; Staffing and Security; Privileges; Procedure; Publications; and Senators' Interests, are not included in this report unless they contain recommendations that require a government response.

Reports of the Selection of Bills Committee on the referral of bills to committees are responded to via the Senate's adoption of the committee's report, and are therefore not included in this report.

Reports of scrutiny committees on legislation are not generally included in this report because those committees correspond directly with ministers in relation to legislative scrutiny matters. However, any reports of these committees that make recommendations that require a government response are included in this report. The Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights, for example, occasionally undertakes ad hoc inquiries that address policy recommendations to government.

Reports of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit usually make administrative recommendations to departments and agencies, and responses are provided in the form of either a government response or an executive minute provided to the committee and tabled in the Senate.

Reports of the Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works (PWC) are not usually included in this report. Responses to the PWC are normally reflected in the outcome of motions in the House of Representatives for the approval of works recommended in the committee's reports.

## **GOVERNMENT REPORT ON THE STATUS OF RESPONSES**

This report should be read in conjunction with the *Government report on the Status of responses to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 September 2020* (the government report), which was tabled in the Senate on 9 December 2020.

The government report routinely provides an interim response to committee reports that 'The Government's response is being considered'. Responses of this type are identified in the 'Date response tabled/presented' column of this report as 'Interim\*'.

If a final response was provided during debate on a bill rather than via correspondence, the government report usually states that 'The Government's response was provided during debate on the bill'. Responses of this type are identified in the 'Date response tabled/presented' column of this report as 'Final\*'.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

In this report 'HoR' indicates the date on which a report or response was tabled in the House of Representatives.

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<sup>1</sup> On 29 September 2010, the House of Representatives agreed to a resolution providing six months for the government to respond to House and joint committee reports. This resolution did not affect the Senate's requirement for responses to reports tabled in the Senate to be tabled within three months.

<sup>2</sup> *Journals of the Senate*, 14 March 1973, p. 51.

<sup>3</sup> See, for example, letter from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Mr Roger Price) to the President of the Senate (tabled Paper 4099), *Journals of the Senate*, 5 November 1991, p. 1625; and *House of Representatives Hansard*, 27 June 1996, p. 3026.

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
<b>A Certain Maritime Incident—Senate Select</b>			
Report on a Certain Maritime Incident	23.10.02	Interim*	No
<b>Aboriginal Flag—Senate Select</b>			
Report	13.10.20	-	-
<b>Australia Fund Establishment—Joint Select</b>			
Report	25.6.15 25.6.15 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Australia's Family Law System</b>			
Improvements in family law proceedings—Interim report	8.10.20	-	-
<b>Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory</b>			
Integrity of overseas Commonwealth law enforcement operations	27.6.13 24.6.13 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	31.8.16 5.5.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Examination of the annual report for 2016-17 of the Integrity Commissioner	3.4.19 18.9.19 HoR	17.12.20	No
Examination of the annual report of the Integrity Commissioner 2017-18	26.2.20 27.2.20 HoR	17.12.20	No
Examination of the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner 2018-19	3.9.20 3.9.20 HoR	3.12.20 3.12.20 HoR	Yes
Integrity of Australia's border arrangements	8.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Certain Aspects of Queensland Government Administration related to Commonwealth Government Affairs—Senate Select</b>			
Report	27.3.15	Interim*	No
<b>Charity Fundraising in the 21st Century—Senate Select</b>			
Report	14.2.19	10.11.20	No

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
<b>Community Affairs Legislation</b>			
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2018	12.10.18	Interim*	No
Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment (Enhancing Australia's Anti-Doping Capability) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	24.2.20	Final*	No
Paid Parental Leave Amendment (Flexibility Measures) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	23.3.20	Final*	No
Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Continuation of Cashless Welfare) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	17.11.20	-	-
Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Improved Home Care Payment Administration No. 1) Bill 2020 and Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Improved Home Care Payment Administration No. 2) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	27.11.20	-	-
Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Extension of Coronavirus Support) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	27.11.20	-	-
<b>Community Affairs References</b>			
The factors affecting the supply of health services and medical professionals in rural areas	22.8.12	Interim*	No
Australia's domestic response to the World Health Organization's WHO Commission on Social Determinants of Health report "Closing the gap within a generation"	20.3.13	Interim*	No
Out-of-pocket costs in Australian healthcare	22.8.14	Interim*	No
Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia	29.11.16	Interim*	No
My Health Record system	18.10.18	5.11.20	No
Support for Australia's thalidomide survivors—Interim report	14.2.19	12.10.20	No
Support for Australia's thalidomide survivors—Final report	22.3.19	12.10.20	No
Current barriers to patient access to medicinal cannabis in Australia	25.3.20	Interim*	No
Adequacy of Newstart and related payments and alternative mechanisms to determine the level of income support payments in Australia	30.4.20	Interim*	No
Centrelink's compliance program—Second interim report	1.9.20	Interim*	No

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<b>Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples—Joint Select</b>			
Progress report	28.10.14 27.10.14 HoR	Interim*	No
Final report	25.6.15 25.6.15 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples 2018—Joint Select</b>			
Final Report	29.11.18 29.11.18 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory</b>			
Impairment of Customer Loans	4.5.16 5.5.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Life insurance industry	28.3.18 27.3.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Options for greater involvement by private sector life insurers in work rehabilitation	14.2.19 24.10.18 HoR	Interim*	No
2017-18 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act	2.4.19 2.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, the Takeovers Panel and the Corporations Legislation	2.4.19 14.2.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Fairness in franchising	14.3.19 2.4.19 HoR	20.8.20	No
Regulation of auditing in Australia—Interim report	27.2.20 2.3.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Regulation of auditing in Australia—Final report	11.11.20 12.11.20 HoR	-	-
Litigation funding and the regulation of the class action industry	21.12.20	-	-
<b>COVID-19—Senate Select</b>			
First interim report	9.12.20	-	-
<b>Economics Legislation</b>			
Annual reports No. 2 of 2010	17.11.10	Interim*	No

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	14.2.17	Interim*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Reducing Pressure on Housing Affordability Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment (Near-new Dwelling Interests) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	23.3.18	Interim*	No
National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018 [Provisions]—Report	5.6.18	Interim*	No
Commonwealth Registers Bill 2019 [Provisions] and four related bills	26.3.19	Final*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Putting Members' Interests First) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	23.7.19	Final*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Tax Integrity and Other Measures No. 1) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	4.9.19	Final*	Yes
Treasury Laws Amendment (Recovering Unpaid Superannuation) Bill 2019	7.11.19	Final*	No
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Cross-boundary Greenhouse Gas Titles and Other Measures) Bill 2019 [Provisions] and Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	7.2.20	Final*	No
Australian Business Growth Fund Bill 2019 [Provisions]	21.2.20	Interim*	No
Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	28.2.20	Interim*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Your Superannuation, Your Choice) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	20.3.20	Final*	No
Performance of the Inspector-General of Taxation	17.6.20	Interim*	No
National Radioactive Waste Management Amendment (Site Specification, Community Fund and Other Measures) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	14.9.20	Interim*	No
National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Small Amount Credit Contract and Consumer Lease Reforms) Bill 2019 (No. 2)	21.9.20	Interim*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Research and Development Tax Incentive) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	12.10.20	-	-
Treasury Laws Amendment (Self Managed Superannuation Funds) Bill 2020	4.11.20	-	-
Economic Recovery Package (JobMaker Hiring Credit) Amendment Bill 2020 [Provisions]	6.11.20	Final*	Yes

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
Foreign Investment Reform (Protecting Australia's National Security) Bill 2020 [Provisions] and Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2020 [Provisions]	26.11.20	-	-
<b>Economics References</b>			
Corporate tax avoidance—Part 1: You cannot tax what you cannot see	18.8.15	Interim*	No
Corporate tax avoidance—Part II: Gaming the system	22.4.16	Interim*	No
Personal choice and community impacts—Interim report: sale and use of marijuana and associated products term of reference c	4.5.16	Interim*	No
Superbad – Wage theft and non-compliance of the Superannuation Guarantee	2.5.17	Interim*	No
Australia's dairy industry: rebuilding trust and a fair market for farmers	17.8.17	Interim*	No
Toll roads: issues of building, financing, and charging	14.9.17	Interim*	No
Foreign bribery	28.3.18	Interim*	No
Corporate tax avoidance – Part III: Much heat, little light so far	30.5.18	Interim*	No
Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry	28.6.18	Interim*	No
Regulatory framework for the protection of consumers in the banking, insurance and financial services sector	15.11.18	Interim*	No
Financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers	27.11.18	Interim*	No
Credit and hardship: report of the Senate inquiry into credit and financial products targeted at Australians at risk of financial hardship	22.2.19	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the indicators of, and impact of, regional inequality in Australia	3.12.20	-	-
<b>Education and Employment Legislation</b>			
Payment Times Reporting Bill 2020 [Provisions] and Payment Times Reporting (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	30.7.20	Final*	Yes
Higher Education Support Amendment (Job-Ready Graduates and Supporting Regional and Remote Students) Bill 2020	25.9.20	Final*	Yes
Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Provider Category Standards and Other Measures) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	27.11.20	-	-

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<b>Education and Employment References</b>			
A National Disgrace: The Exploitation of Temporary Work Visa Holders	17.3.16	Interim*	No
Corporate Avoidance of the <i>Fair Work Act 2009</i>	6.9.17	Interim*	No
Wage theft? What wage theft?! – Exploitation of general and specialists cleaners working in retail chains for contracting or subcontracting cleaning companies	13.11.18	Interim*	No
<b>Effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern Australia agenda—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	3.12.20	-	-
<b>Electoral Matters—Joint Standing</b>			
Interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2013 Federal Election: Senate voting practices	9.5.14 14.5.14 HoR	Interim*	No
Second interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2013 federal election: An assessment of electronic voting options	20.11.14 24.11.14 HoR	Interim*	No
The 2013 Federal Election—Report on the conduct of the 2013 election and matters related thereto	15.4.15 12.5.15 HoR	Interim*	No
The 2016 Federal Election—Third interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2016 federal election: AEC modernisation	22.6.17 21.6.17 HoR	Recommendation 1, 2 incomplete response	No
Excluded: The impact of section 44 on Australian democracy	17.5.18 21.5.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Conduct of the 2016 federal election and matters related thereto	14.2.19 5.12.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Advisory Report on the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Real Time Disclosure of Political Donations) Bill 2019	17.12.19 5.2.20 HoR	Interim*	No
All aspects of the conduct of the 2019 Federal Election and matters related thereto—Delegation to the International Grand Committee, Dublin, Ireland— Interim report	19.5.20 11.6.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering the Donation Disclosure Threshold) Bill 2019	28.5.20 11.6.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Advisory report on the Electoral Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2020	25.8.20 26.8.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Advisory report on the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Ensuring Fair Representation of the Northern Territory) Bill 2020	1.12.20 21.10.20 HoR	-	-

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Conduct of the 2019 federal election and matters related thereto	10.12.20 10.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Electric Vehicles—Senate Select</b>			
Report	30.1.19	Interim*	No
<b>Environment and Communications Legislation</b>			
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Standing Bill 2015 [Provisions]	18.11.15	Interim*	No
Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Amendment Bill 2017 [Provisions]	9.5.17	Interim*	No
Water Amendment (Purchase Limit Repeal) Bill 2019	26.3.19	Interim*	No
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019	16.4.20	Interim*	No
The future of Australia Post's service delivery	25.8.20	Interim*	No
Recycling and Waste Reduction Bill 2020 [Provisions] and related bills	1.10.20	-	-
Clean Energy Finance Corporation Amendment (Grid Reliability Fund) Bill 2020	4.11.20	-	-
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Streamlining Environmental Approvals) Bill 2020	27.11.20	-	-
<b>Environment and Communications References</b>			
Direct Action: Paying polluters to halt global warming?	26.3.14	Interim*	No
National Landcare Program	25.3.15	Interim*	No
Regulation of the fin-fish aquaculture industry in Tasmania	21.8.15	Interim*	No
Toxic tide: the threat of marine plastic pollution in Australia	20.4.16	Interim*	No
Retirement of coal fired power stations—Interim report	28.11.16	Interim*	No
Retirement of coal fired power stations	29.3.17	Interim*	No
Participation of Australians in online poker	18.10.17	Interim*	No
In hot water: the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity	6.12.17	Interim*	No
Shark mitigation and deterrent measures	12.12.17	Interim*	No

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Never waste a crisis: the waste and recycling industry in Australia	26.6.18	Interim*	No
Current and future impacts of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure	13.8.18	Interim*	No
Adequacy of the regulatory framework governing water use by the extractive industry	17.10.18	Interim*	No
Rehabilitation of mining and resources projects and power station ash dams as it relates to Commonwealth responsibilities	20.3.19	Interim*	No
Economic and cultural value of Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services	26.3.19	Interim*	No
Australia's faunal extinction crisis—Interim report	3.4.19	24.9.20	No
Australia's faunal extinction crisis: Environmental protections for native grasslands, and the conduct of Ministers—Interim report	4.12.19	Interim*	No
<b>Environment, Communications and the Arts References</b>			
The impacts of mining in the Murray-Darling Basin	4.12.09	Interim*	No
<b>Establishment of a National Integrity Commission—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	3.5.16	Interim*	No
<b>Finance and Public Administration Legislation</b>			
Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2008	15.6.09	Interim*	No
Social Security Legislation Amendment Community Development Program Bill 2015	2.3.16	Interim*	No
National Integrity (Parliamentary Standards) Bill 2019	12.8.20	-	No
Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Tax Transparency in Procurement and Grants) Bill 2019	4.9.20	Interim*	No
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donation Reform and Other Measures) Bill 2020	3.12.20	-	-
<b>Finance and Public Administration References</b>			
Staff employed under <i>Members of Parliament Staff Act 1984</i>	16.10.03	Interim*	No
Implementation of the National Health Reform Agreement	7.3.13	Interim*	No

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services	13.10.16	Interim*	No
Compliance by former Ministers of State with the requirements of the Prime Minister's Statement of Ministerial Standards	26.9.19	Interim*	No
Lessons to be learned in relation to the Australian bushfire season 2019-20—Interim report	7.10.20	-	-
<b>Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	2.9.20	Interim*	No
<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing</b>			
Modern slavery and global supply chains—Inquiry into establishing a Modern Slavery Act in Australia—Interim report	5.9.17 17.8.17 HoR	9.10.20 19.10.20 HoR	No
Hidden in plain sight: An inquiry into establishing a Modern Slavery Act in Australia	7.12.17 7.12.17 HoR	9.10.20 19.10.20 HoR	No
Compassion, not commerce: an inquiry into human organ trafficking and organ transplant tourism	5.12.18 3.12.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Freedom of religion and belief, the Australian experience—Second interim report	3.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into Australia's aid program in the Indo-Pacific—First report	3.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into transition from the Australian Defence Force (ADF)	3.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into PFAS remediation in and around Defence bases—Second progress report	1.9.20 31.8.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Criminality, corruption and impunity: Should Australia join the Global Magnitsky movement? An inquiry into targeted sanctions to address human rights abuses	8.12.20 7.12.20 HoR	-	-
Inquiry into the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Australia's foreign affairs, defence and trade	8.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation</b>			
Australia's Foreign Relations (State and Territory Arrangements) Bill 2020 [Provisions] and Australia's Foreign Relations (State and Territory Arrangements) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	5.11.20	17.11.20	Yes

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
Defence Legislation Amendment (Enhancement of Defence Force Response to Emergencies) Bill 2020	4.11.20	-	-
National Commissioner for Defence and Veteran Suicide Prevention Bill 2020 [provisions] and the National Commissioner for Defence and Veteran Suicide Prevention (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020 [provisions]	30.11.20	-	-
<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References</b>			
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— First interim report	14.8.17	Interim*	No
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— Second interim report	11.9.17	Interim*	No
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— Third interim report	19.10.17	Interim*	No
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— Fourth interim report	13.2.18	Interim*	No
Implications of climate change for Australia's national security	17.5.18	Interim*	No
United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Australia's declarations made under certain international laws	27.2.20	Interim*	No
Opportunities for strengthening Australia's relations with the Republic of France	27.8.20	Interim*	No
<b>Future of Work and Workers—Senate Select</b>			
Hope is not a strategy – our shared responsibility for the future of work and workers	19.9.18	Interim*	No
<b>Health—Senate Select</b>			
Fourth interim report—Mental health: a consensus for action	8.10.15	Interim*	No
Sixth interim report—Big health data: Australia's big potential	4.5.16	Interim*	No
Final report—Hospital funding cuts: the perfect storm: The demolition of Federal-State health relations 2014-2016	5.5.16	Interim*	No

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<b>Human Rights—Joint Statutory</b>			
Eleventh Report of 2013: <i>Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Act 2012</i> and related legislation	27.6.13 26.6.13 HoR	Interim*	No
2016 Review of Stronger Future measures	17.3.16 16.3.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Freedom of speech in Australia	21.3.17 28.2.17 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Implementation of the National Redress Scheme—Joint Select</b>			
Implementation of the National Redress Scheme April 2020	7.5.20 14.5.20 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory</b>			
Review of the re-listing of five organisations and the listing of two organisations as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code	20.9.18 20.9.18 HoR	16.7.20 24.8.20 HoR	No
Inquiry into the impact of the exercise of law enforcement and intelligence powers on the freedom of the press	27.8.20 26.8.20 HoR	16.12.20	No
Advisory Report on the Australian Citizenship Amendment (Citizenship Cessation) Bill 2019	2.9.20 1.9.20 HoR	Final*	No
Review of the mandatory data retention regime: A review of the mandatory data retention regime prescribed by Part 5-1A of the <i>Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979</i>	10.11.20 28.10.20 HoR	-	-
Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Amendment Bill 2020	8.12.20 3.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Jobs for the Future in Regional Areas—Select Committee</b>			
Report	4.12.19	Interim*	No
<b>Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory</b>			
Inquiry into financial related crime	8.9.15 7.9.15 HoR	Interim*	No
An inquiry into human trafficking, slavery and slavery-like practices	18.7.17 8.8.17 HoR	9.10.20	No
Inquiry into crystal methamphetamine (ice)—First report	7.9.17 6.9.17 HoR	Interim*	No

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Inquiry into crystal methamphetamine (ice)— Final report	28.3.18 27.3.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2015-16	8.5.18 28.3.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the trade in elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn	20.9.18 19.9.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Impact of new and emerging information and communications technology	23.7.19 4.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Theft and export of motor vehicles and parts	23.7.19 4.4.19 HoR	23.7.20 24.8.20 HoR	No
Summary report of the 24 June 2020 public hearing on the Australian Institute of Criminology's National Deaths in Custody Program	10.11.20 8.10.20 HoR	-	-
Illicit tobacco—Final report	12.11.20 12.11.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation</b>			
Migration and Maritime Powers Legislation Amendment (Resolving the Asylum Legacy Caseload) Bill 2014 [Provisions]	24.11.14	Interim*	No
Freedom of Information Amendment (New Arrangements) Bill 2014 [Provisions]	25.11.14	Interim*	No
Regulator of Medicinal Cannabis Bill 2014	11.8.15	Interim*	No
Family Law Amendment (Financial Agreements and Other Measures) Bill 2015	24.2.16	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.10.16	Interim*	No
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.10.17	Final*	No
Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.11.17	Interim*	No
Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017	21.3.18	Interim*	No
Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017	26.3.18	Interim*	No
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017	20.4.18	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Clarification of Jurisdiction) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	5.6.18	Interim*	No

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Migration (Validation of Port Appointment) Bill 2018	12.9.18	Interim*	No
Freedom of Information Legislation Amendment (Improving Access and Transparency) Bill 2018	30.11.18	Interim*	No
Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017	7.12.18	Interim*	No
Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removing Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018 and all circulated amendments to the bill	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Censorship) Bill 2018, Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Insult and Offend) Bill 2018 and Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Security) Bill 2018	8.3.19	Interim*	No
New Skilled Regional Visas (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	11.10.19	Interim*	No
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2019	7.11.19	Final*	No
Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 [Provisions]	23.3.20	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2020	5.8.20	Interim*	No
Native Title Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 [Provisions]	19.8.20	Interim*	No
Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2019 [Provisions] Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	20.11.20	-	-
Immigration (Education) Amendment (Expanding Access to English Tuition) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	27.11.20	-	-
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs References</b>			
The road to a republic	31.8.04	Interim*	No
A claim of public interest immunity raised over documents	6.3.14	Interim*	No
Comprehensive revision of the <i>Telecommunications Interception and Access Act 1979</i>	24.3.15	Interim*	No

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Ability of Australian law enforcement authorities to eliminate gun-related violence in the community	9.4.15	Interim*	No
Phenomenon colloquially referred to as 'revenge porn'	25.2.16	Interim*	No
Nature and scope of the consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment Solicitor-General Opinions Direction 2016	8.11.16	Interim*	No
Serious allegations of abuse, self-harm and neglect of asylum seekers in relation to the Nauru Regional Processing Centre, and any like allegations in relation to the Manus Regional Processing Centre	21.4.17	Interim*	No
Nature and scope of any agreement reached by the Commonwealth and Western Australian governments in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of, and litigation concerning, the Bell Group of companies (the proceeds)—Final report	21.6.17	Interim*	No
Adequacy of existing offences in the Commonwealth Criminal Code and of state and territory criminal laws to capture cyberbullying	28.3.18	Interim*	No
Allegations concerning the inappropriate exercise of ministerial powers, with respect to the visa status of au pairs, and related matters	19.9.18	Interim*	No
Legislative exemptions that allow faith-based educational institutions to discriminate against students, teachers and staff	26.11.18	Interim*	No
Practice of dowry and the incidence of dowry abuse in Australia	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Effectiveness of the current temporary skilled visa system in targeting genuine skills shortages	2.4.19	Interim*	No
Resolution of disputes with financial service providers within the justice system	8.4.19	Interim*	No
Impact of changes to service delivery models on the administration and running of government programs	27.2.20	Interim*	No
<b>Lending to Primary Production Customers—Senate Select</b>			
Report	6.12.17	Interim*	No
<b>Migration—Joint Standing</b>			
Immigration detention in Australia: A new beginning: Criteria for release from detention—First report of the inquiry into immigration detention	2.12.08 1.12.08 HoR	Interim*	No

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Immigration detention in Australia: Community-based alternatives to detention—Second report of the inquiry into immigration detention	15.6.09 25.5.09 HoR	Interim*	No
Immigration detention in Australia: Facilities, services and transparency—Third report of the inquiry into immigration detention	18.8.09 18.8.09 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into efficacy of current regulation of Australian migration and education agents	27.2.19 21.2.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into review processes associated with visa cancellations made on criminal grounds	27.2.19 21.2.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the Working Holiday Maker Program—Final report	1.12.20 30.11.20	-	-
<b>National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing</b>			
Telling Australia's Story – and why it's important: Report on the inquiry into Canberra's national institutions	8.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing</b>			
Supported Independent Living	13.5.20 13.5.20 HoR	20.8.20 24.8.20 HoR	No
NDIS Planning—Final report	1.12.20 1.12.20 HoR	-	-
General issues	10.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	-
NDIS workforce—Interim report	10.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>National Integrity Commission—Senate Select</b>			
Report	13.9.17	Interim*	No
<b>Northern Australia—Joint Standing</b>			
Northern Horizons: Unleashing our tourism potential—Inquiry into opportunities and methods for stimulating the tourism industry in Northern Australia	28.6.18 28.6.18 HoR	17.9.20 6.10.20 HoR	No

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<b>Obesity epidemic in Australia—Senate Select</b>			
Final report	5.12.18	Interim*	No
<b>Political Influence of Donations—Senate Select</b>			
Political Influence of Donations	6.6.18	Interim*	No
<b>Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory</b>			
Report 460—Public Sector Governance Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report 29 (2015-16)	16.2.17 27.2.17 HoR	Interim*	No
Report 463—Commonwealth Financial Statements—Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report No. 33	5.9.17 6.9.17 HoR	Recommendations 4-7 20.3.18 Recommendation 2 8.5. 18 Recommendation 1 14.8.18 Incomplete response	No
Report 472—Commonwealth Procurement – Second report: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 9 and 12 (2017-18) and 61 (2016-17), dated October 2018	17.10.18 18.10.18 HoR	Recommendations 1- 4 2.4.19 Recommendations 8 - 16 4.12.19 Incomplete response	No
Report 475—Defence First Principles review, Naval Construction and Mental Health in the AFP: Inquiry based on Auditor-General's report 31, 34 and 39 (2017-18)	14.2.19 18.2.19 HoR	Recommendations 1 - 6 4.12.19 8.12.20 Incomplete response	No
Report 476—Australian Government funding: Inquiry based on Auditor-General's reports 18 and 50 (2017-18)	14.2.19 18.2.19 HoR	Recommendations 2 -13 4.12.19 Incomplete response	No
Report 477—Commonwealth financial statements – Second report; and Foreign investment in real estate: Inquiries based on Auditor-General's reports 24 and 48 (2017-18)	2.4.19 4.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Report 478—Issuing of a Certificate under section 37 of the <i>Auditor-General’s Act 1997</i>	2.4.19 4.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No

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Report 479—Australian Government security arrangements: Inquiry based on Auditor-General's reports 38 and 43 (2017-18)	2.4.19 4.4.19 HoR	Recommendations 1, 3-8 4.12.19 Incomplete response	No
Report 480—Annual Report 2018-19	4.12.19 5.12.19 HoR	-	No
Report 481—Efficiency and Effectiveness: Inquiry into Auditor-General's Reports 25, 29, 38, 42, 44, 45 and 51 (2018-19)	17.6.20 15.6.20 HoR	8.12.20	No
Report 482—Review of the Operations of the Parliamentary Budget Office 2019-20	1.12.20 19.10.20 HoR	-	-
Report 483—Inquiry into the 2018-19 Defence Major Projects Report and the Future Submarine Project - Transition to Design (Auditor-General's Reports 19 and 22 (2019-20))	8.12.20 7.12.20	-	-
Report 484—The Administration of Government Grants: Inquiry into Auditor-General's Reports 5, 12 and 23 (2019-20)	8.12.20 7.12.20	-	-
Report 485—Cyber Resilience: Inquiry into Auditor-General's Reports 1 and 13 (2019-20)	10.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Public works—Joint Standing Committee</b>			
2nd report of 2019—Referrals made July 2019	10.9.19 9.9.19 HoR	Interim*	No
2nd report of 2020—Referrals made November 2019 and February 2020	7.5.20 12.5.20 HoR	Interim*	No
3rd report of 2020—Referrals made November 2019 and February 2020	11.6.20 10.6.20 HoR	Interim*	No
5th report of 2020—Referral made in May 2020	28.9.20 6.10.20 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Red Tape—Senate Select</b>			
Effect of red tape on the sale, supply and taxation of alcohol—First interim report	29.3.17	Interim*	No
Effect of red tape on tobacco retail—Second interim report	27.6.17	Interim*	No
Effect of red tape on pharmacy rules—Fourth interim report	15.2.18	Interim*	No
Policy and process to limit and reduce red tape	3.12.18	Interim*	No

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<b>Regional and Remote Indigenous Communities—Senate Select</b>			
Final report 2010	24.9.10	Interim*	No
<b>Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World—Senate Select</b>			
Stability and Affordability: Forging a path to Australia's renewable energy future	7.4.17	Interim*	No
<b>Road Safety—Joint Select Committee</b>			
Improving Road Safety in Australia	30.10.20	-	-
<b>Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation</b>			
Criminal Code Amendment Animal Protection Bill 2015	12.6.15	Interim*	No
Air Services Amendment Bill 2018	16.8.18	Interim*	No
Performance of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority	17.6.20	Interim*	No
Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment (Dairy Cattle Export Charge) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	30.7.20	9.12.20	No
<b>Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References</b>			
Management of the Murray Darling Basin—Interim report: The impact of mining coal seam gas on the management of the Murray-Darling Basin	30.11.11	Interim*	No
Current requirements for labelling of seafood and seafood products	18.12.14	Recommendation 1 10.12.20 Incomplete	No
Future role and contribution of regional capitals to Australia	24.11.16	Interim*	No
Regulatory approaches to ensure the safety of pet food	16.10.18	Interim*	No
Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin	29.11.18	Interim*	No
Feasibility of a national horse traceability register for all horses	27.11.19	10.9.20	No

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Identification of leading practices in ensuring evidence-based regulation of farm practices that impact water quality outcomes in the Great Barrier Reef	8.10.20	-	-
Policy, regulatory, taxation, administrative and funding priorities for Australian shipping	15.12.20	-	-
<b>Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee</b>			
Inquiry into the exemption of delegated legislation from parliamentary oversight— Interim report	2.12.20	-	-
<b>Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures— Senate Select</b>			
Second interim report	29.4.16	Interim*	No
Fourth interim report	3.5.16	Interim*	No
<b>Strengthening Multiculturalism—Senate Select</b>			
Ways of protecting and strengthening Australia’s multiculturalism and social inclusion	17.8.17	Interim*	No
<b>Tobacco Harm Reduction—Senate select</b>			
Report	18.12.20	-	-
<b>Trade and Investment Growth—Joint Select</b>			
Inquiry into Australia’s Future in Research and Innovation	3.5.16 5.5.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Trade transformation: Supporting Australia’s export and investment opportunities	11.6.20 10.6.20 HoR	1.10.20 6.10.20 HoR	No
<b>Treaties—Joint Standing</b>			
189th report: Capital Increase WBG IBRD; Capital Increase WBG IFC; Amendments CMS; Termination IPPA-Indonesia	6.8.20 25.8.20 HoR	Interim*	No
192nd report: Military Training - Singapore; Digital Economy Agreement Singapore	8.12.20 8.12.20 HoR	-	-
<b>Unconventional Gas Mining—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	4.5.16	Interim*	No

