

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**PETITIONS COMMITTEE**

**REPORT No. 24**

**Petitions**

**and**

**Ministerial Responses**

**25 March 2024**

## **MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

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**Report summarising the petitions and ministerial responses being presented.**

**The committee met in private session in the 47<sup>th</sup> Parliament on 14 February and 20 March 2024.**

**1. The committee resolved to present the following 2 petitions in accordance with standing order 207:**

***Petitions certified on 14 February 2024***

From 5541 petitioners – requesting a moratorium on dingo culling and the use of 1080 (sodium fluoroacetate) **(EN5918)**

***Petitions certified on 20 March 2024***

From 181 petitioners – requesting that Australia sign and ratify the United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons **(PN0593)**

**2. The following 4 ministerial responses to petitions were received.  
*Ministerial responses received by the Committee on 20 March 2024***

From the Minister for Climate Change and Energy to a petition requesting the development of an Australian nuclear fusion industry **(EN5364)**

From the Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Defence Personnel to a petition regarding the removal of the 'alone test' for the purposes of determining the Disability Compensation Payment **(EN5397)**

From the Minister for Indigenous Australians to a petition regarding the 14 October 2023 referendum on the Voice to Parliament **(EN5582)**

From the Assistant Minister for Social Services to a petition requesting additional Paid Parental Leave for families of children who are required to remain in hospital post-birth **(EN5627)**

**Ms Susan Templeman MP  
Chair – Petitions Committee**