

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR THE SCRUTINY OF BILLS

2023

INDEX OF BILLS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE
As at 10 August 2023

Legend:

NC	=	No comment	-	=	Not reported on
AO	=	Advice only	PS	=	Private Senator
RR	=	Response required	PM	=	Private Member

Bills considered	Action required	Scrutiny Digest	Issues raised
A			
Aboriginal Land Grant (Jervis Bay Territory) Amendment (Strengthening Land and Governance Provisions) Bill 2022	RR	7/22	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iii) non-reviewable decisions
	AO	1/23	
Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2022-2023	RR	7/22	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	1/23	
Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2023-2024	RR	6/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
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Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2022-2023	RR	7/22	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	1/23	

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Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2023-2024	RR	6/23 8/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2022-2023	RR	6/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2022-2023	RR	6/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2023-2024	NC	6/23	-
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 2) 2023-2024	NC	6/23	-
Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Amendment Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Australia Council Amendment (Creative Australia) Bill 2023	NC	2/23	-
Australia Day Bill 2023 [PM]	NC	5/23	-
Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority Amendment (Disclosure of Information) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Amendment Bill 2023	RR AO	5/23 6/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iii) non-reviewable decisions
B			
Biosecurity Amendment (Advanced Compliance Measures) Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties

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Biosecurity Amendment (Strengthening Biosecurity) Bill 2022	RR	6/22	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iii) non-reviewable decisions (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	RR	7/22	(iii) non-reviewable decisions
	AO	1/23	(iii) non-reviewable decisions
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Ban on Gambling Advertisements During Live Sport) Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	7/23	-
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Community Radio) Bill 2022	RR	7/22	(iii) non-reviewable decisions
	AO	1/23	
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Healthy Kids Advertising) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Prohibition of Gambling Advertisements) Bill 2023 [PM]	NC	6/23	-
C			
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Loot Boxes) Bill 2022 [PM]	NC	1/23	-
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Industry Self-Classification and Other Measures) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Cleaning up Political Donations) Bill 2023 [PM]	NC	2/23	-
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Stop the Lies) Bill 2022 [PM]	AO	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Constitution Alteration (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice) Bill 2023	NC	5/23	-
COVID-19 Vaccination Status (Prevention of Discrimination) Bill 2022 [PS]	AO	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties

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Creative Australia Bill 2023	RR	6/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
		8/23	
Crimes Amendment (Penalty Unit) Bill 2022	RR	8/22	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
	RR	1/23	
	AO	3/23	
Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment (Omnibus) Bill 2023	RR	5/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iii) non-reviewable decisions
	AO	6/23	
Criminal Code Amendment (Inciting Illegal Disruptive Activities) Bill 2023 [PS]	AO	2/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Criminal Code Amendment (Prohibition of Nazi Symbols) Bill 2023	AO	4/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Criminal Code Amendment (Prohibition of Nazi Symbols) Bill 2023 (No. 2) [PM]	AO	6/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Foreign Bribery) Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (Prohibited Hate Symbols and Other Measures) Bill 2023	RR	9/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Customs Legislation Amendment (Controlled Trials and Other Measures) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	5/23	
Customs Tariff Amendment (Incorporation of Proposals) Bill 2023	NC	4/23	-
Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-

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D			
Defence Capability Assurance and Oversight Bill 2023	AO	6/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Defence Legislation Amendment (Naval Nuclear Propulsion) Bill 2023 [Defence]	NC	6/23	-
Digital Assets (Market Regulation) Bill 2023 [PS]	AO	5/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
E			
Education and Other Legislation Amendment (Abolishing Indexation and Raising the Minimum Repayment Income for Education and Training Loans) Bill 2022 [PS]	NC	1/23	-
Education Legislation Amendment (Startup Year and Other Measures) Bill 2023	RR RR AO	3/23 5/23 6/23 8/23	(iii) non-reviewable decisions
Electoral Legislation Amendment (Lowering the Voting Age) Bill 2023 [PM]	NC	2/23	-
Ending Native Forest Logging Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	3/23	-
Ending Poverty in Australia (Antipoverty Commission) Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	5/23	-
Environment Protection (Sea Dumping) Amendment (Using New Technologies to Fight Climate Change) Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2023	NC		-

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Export Control Amendment (Streamlining Administrative Processes) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	RR	2/23	
	AO	4/23	
F			
Fair Work Amendment (Prohibiting COVID-19 Vaccine Discrimination) Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	2/23	-
Fair Work Amendment (Right to Disconnect) Bill 2023 [PM]	NC	4/23	-
Fair Work Amendment (Right to Disconnect) Bill 2023 [No. 2] [PS]	NC	5/23	-
Fair Work Legislation Amendment (Protecting Worker Entitlements) Bill 2023	NC	5/23	-
Fair Work Legislation Amendment (Secure Jobs, Better Pay) Bill 2022	RR	7/22	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	AO	1/23	
Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Child Care Subsidy) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Family Law Amendment Bill 2023	RR	5/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	FRR	6/23 8/23	
Family Law Amendment (Information Sharing) Bill 2023	RR	5/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	AO	6/23	

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Financial Accountability Regime Bill 2023	AO	3/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Financial Accountability Regime (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2023	AO	3/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy Bill 2023	NC	3/23	-
Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy (Collection) Bill 2023	NC	3/23	-
Freeze on Rent and Rate Increase Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Fuel and Vehicle Standards Legislation Amendment (Reducing Vehicle Pollution) Bill 2022 [PM]	AO	1/23	(v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
G			
Governor-General Amendment (Cessation of Allowances in the Public Interest) Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	3/23	-
Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Amendment (Administrative Changes) Bill 2023	RR	7/23 8/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
H			
Health Insurance Amendment (Prescribed Dental Patients and Other Measures) Bill 2023	AO	4/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Health Insurance Amendment (Professional Services Review Scheme) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Higher Education Support Amendment (Australia's Economic Accelerator) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties

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	AO	2/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Home Affairs Bill 2023	NC	7/23	-
Housing Australia Future Fund Bill 2023	RR	2/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	4/23	
Housing Australia Future Fund Bill 2023 [No. 2]	RR	9/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Human Rights (Children Born Alive Protection) Bill 2022 [PS]	NC	1/23	-
I			
Improving Access to Medicinal Cannabis Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	3/23	-
Infrastructure Australia Amendment (Independent Review) Bill 2023	RR	4/23	(v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	6/23	
Inspector-General of Aged Care Bill 2023	RR	4/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
	AO	5/23	
Inspector-General of Aged Care (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2023	NC	4/23	-
Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Modernisation) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
	AO	2/23	
Inspector-General of Live Animal Exports Amendment (Animal Welfare) Bill 2023	RR	6/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties

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		8/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Regulator Performance) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
Interactive Gambling Amendment (Ban on Gambling Advertisements) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Interactive Gambling Amendment (Credit Card Ban and Acknowledgement of Losses) Bill 2023 [PM]	AO	5/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
International Organisations (Privileges and Immunities) Amendment Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
J			
Jobs and Skills Australia Amendment Bill 2023	NC	4/23	-
M			
Migration (Visa Pre-application Process) Charge Bill 2023	NC	2/23	-
Migration Amendment (Aggregate Sentences) Bill 2023	RR	2/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
		9/23	
Migration Amendment (Australia's Engagement in the Pacific and Other Measures) Bill 2023	RR	2/23	(iii) non-reviewable decisions (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative power
	AO	4/23	
Migration Amendment (Evacuation to Safety) Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	2/23	-
Migration Amendment (Giving Documents and Other Measures) Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(iii) non-reviewable decisions
Migration Amendment (Overseas Organ Transplant Disclosure and Other Measures) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	

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Migration Amendment (Strengthening Employer Compliance) Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2023 [PM]	AO	2/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
Ministers of State Amendment Bill 2022	NC	1/23	-
Murdoch Media Inquiry Bill 2023 [PS]	AO	7/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
N			
National Health Amendment (Effect of Prosecution—Approved Pharmacist Corporations) Bill 2023	NC	3/23	-
National Housing Supply and Affordability Council Bill 2023	NC	2/23	-
National Occupational Respiratory Disease Registry Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
National Occupational Respiratory Disease Registry (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
National Reconstruction Fund Corporation Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	2/23	

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	AO	1/23	
Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (Medical Device and Human Tissue Product List and Cost Recovery) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
	AO	2/23	
Private Health Insurance (National Joint Replacement Register Levy) Amendment (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2022	NC	1/23	-
Private Health Insurance (Prostheses Application and Listing Fees) Amendment (Cost Recovery) Bill 2022	NC	1/23	-
Productivity Commission Amendment (Electricity Reporting) Bill 2023 [PS]	NC	4/23	-
Public Interest Disclosure Amendment (Review) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
	AO	2/23	
Public Service Amendment Bill 2023	RR	7/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
		8/23	
R			
Referendum (Machinery Provisions) Amendment Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	AO	2/23	
Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Cheaper Home Batteries) Bill 2023	NC	5/23	-
Royal Commissions Amendment (Enhancing Engagement) Bill 2023	NC	2/23	-

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Safeguard Mechanism (Crediting) Amendment Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	AO	2/23	
Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Income Management Reform) Bill 2023	RR	3/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers
	AO	5/23	
		8/23	
Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Safety Net) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Child Support Measures) Bill 2023	RR	5/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
			(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
	AO	6/23	
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2023	RR	9/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
			(v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Special Recreational Vessels Amendment Bill 2023	NC	4/23	-
Statute Law Amendment (Prescribed Forms and Other Updates) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Student Loans (Overseas Debtors Repayment Levy) Amendment Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
T			
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Information Disclosure, National Interest and Other Measures) Bill 2022	RR	8/22	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
	RR	1/23	
	AO	2/23	
Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Bill 2023	RR	9/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
			(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers

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Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2022 Measures No. 1) Bill 2022	RR	1/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (iii) non-reviewable decisions (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
	AO	2/23	
Trade Support Loans Amendment Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Transparent and Quality Public Appointments Bill 2023 [PM]	AO	3/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Treasury Laws Amendment (2023 Law Improvement Package No. 1) Bill 2023	RR	8/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
Treasury Laws Amendment (2022 Measures No. 4) Bill 2022	NC	1/23 8/23	-
Treasury Laws Amendment (2022 Measures No. 5) Bill 2022	NC	1/23	-
Treasury Laws Amendment (2023 Measures No. 1) Bill 2023	RR AO	2/23 6/23	(iii) non-reviewable decisions
Treasury Laws Amendment (2023 Measures No. 2) Bill 2023	NC	6/23	-
Treasury Laws Amendment (2023 Measures No. 3) Bill 2023	RR	9/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Treasury Laws Amendment (Consumer Data Right) Bill 2022	RR AO	1/23 3/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power

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Treasury Laws Amendment (Energy Price Relief Plan) Bill 2022	AO	1/23	(ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers (iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Treasury Laws Amendment (Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort) Bill 2023	NC	3/23	-
Treasury Laws Amendment (Housing Measures No. 1) Bill 2023	RR	2/23	(iv) inappropriately delegated legislative powers (v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
Treasury Laws Amendment (Housing Measures No. 1) Bill 2023 [No. 2]	RR	9/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties (ii) insufficiently defined administrative powers
Treasury Laws Amendment (Making Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share—Integrity and Transparency) Bill 2023	NC	8/23	
Treasury Laws Amendment (Modernising Business Communications and other Measures) Bill 2022	RR AO	1/23 2/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties
Treasury Laws Amendment (Refining and Improving Our Tax System) Bill 2023	NC	4/23 8/23	-
V			
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2023	NC	4/23	-
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures No. 2) Bill 2023	RR	6/23 8/23	(v) insufficient scrutiny of legislative power
W			
Work Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2022	RR AO	1/23 2/23	(i) trespass on personal rights and liberties

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Workplace Gender Equality Amendment (Closing the Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2023	NC	2/23	-

List of the committee's regular publication and meetings during 2023

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No. 1	8 February 2023
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