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Committee Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
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Dear Ms Dunstone

Administrative Review Tribunal Bill 2023 [Provisions] and related bills: Response to the Committee's enquiries

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (the Committee) in relation to the inquiry into the Administrative Review Tribunal Bill 2023 (ART Bill), the Administrative Review Tribunal (Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 1) Bill 2023 (Consequential and Transitional Bill 1), and the Administrative Review Tribunal (Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 2) Bill 2024 (Consequential and Transitional Bill 2).

To assist the Committee, the Attorney-General's Department (the department) refers the Committee to:

1. The department's [submission](#) to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs in its inquiry into the ART Bill and the Consequential and Transitional Bill 1.
2. The department's appearance before the House of Representatives Committee on 9 February 2024 together with representatives from the Department of Social Services and the Department of Home Affairs. Hansard of the appearance is available [here](#).
3. The department's responses to written questions on notice which are available [here](#).

Additionally, the Senate Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills has asked the Attorney-General a number of questions in relation to its initial scrutiny of the ART Bill and the Consequential and Transitional Bill 1. We would be happy to pass on a copy of the Attorney-General's response once it is available.

The department has reviewed the report of the House of Representatives Committee, and the submissions made to that Committee, and is preparing advice to the Attorney-General on any amendments to the Bills that the Government may wish to consider.

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The department is happy to assist the Committee with any further information it requires.

Yours sincerely

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