



THE SENATE

SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE COST OF LIVING

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Senate Committee will examine the cost of living pressures facing Australians

The Senate established the Select Committee on the Cost of Living to inquire into and report on:

- a. the cost of living pressures facing Australians;
- b. the Government's fiscal policy response to the cost of living;
- c. ways to ease cost of living pressures through the tax and transfer system;
- d. measures to ease the cost of living through the provision of Government services; and
- e. any other related matter.

The committee is due to table its final report by 30 November 2023.

The committee invites submissions addressing one or more of the terms of reference from interested individuals and organisations by **10 March 2023**.

The committee is keen to receive a broad range of submissions, including from (but not limited to):

- individuals;
- small businesses;
- community groups;
- charities and not for profit organisations;
- consumer rights and advocacy groups;
- financial counselling services;
- other professional services, such as accounting and legal services;
- the construction and housing sector;
- the banking and financial sector;
- the energy sector;
- the agricultural and food production sector;
- the retail sector, in particular the food and grocery industry;
- organisations representing youth and students, employees, First Nations Australians, culturally and linguistically diverse Australians, Australians with a disability,

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Australians experiencing homelessness, older Australians, retirees, investors and superannuants; and

- economists and academics.

Further information about the inquiry is available at:

https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Cost_of_Living.

For media comment, please contact the office of Senator the Hon Jane Hume, Committee Chair, on 0418 556 582.

For information about the inquiry process or making a submission, please contact the committee secretariat on (02) 6277 3547 or via email to costofliving.sen@aph.gov.au.