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### **Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security**

Review of the Telecommunication and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Bill 2018

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Issue date: 26 November 2018

## **Additional hearings on encryption bill to assess urgency**

Today, the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security will hold additional hearings with intelligence and law enforcement agencies on the proposed encryption bill.

Following recent media on the urgency of the proposed powers, the Committee will hear evidence from the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, federal and state police, the Australian Signals Directorate and the Department of Home Affairs on the necessity of any urgent procession of the Bill.

The Committee has not made changes to the hearings scheduled for 27 and 30 November.

#### **Details of the public hearing:**

10.30 am – 12.00 pm

Committee Room 2S3

Parliament House, Canberra

The hearing will be live streamed at [www.aph.gov.au/live](http://www.aph.gov.au/live).

The full program of the hearing is available

at [https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary\\_Business/Committees/Joint/Intelligence\\_and\\_Security/TelcoAmendmentBill2018/Public\\_Hearings](https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Intelligence_and_Security/TelcoAmendmentBill2018/Public_Hearings)

Further information on the inquiry can be obtained from the Committee's [website](#).

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