



**APRA
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Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Committee Members,

SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF THE COPYRIGHT AMENDMENT BILL 2025

As Australia's largest music industry body representing the rights of over 124,000 songwriters, composers, and music publishers across Australasia, Australasian Performing Right Association and the Australasian Mechanical Copyright Owners Society (**APRA AMCOS**) welcomes the opportunity to make a submission to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee regarding the *Copyright Amendment Bill 2025 (Bill)* to amend the *Copyright Act 1968 (Cth) (Act)*. This submission is made on behalf of APRA AMCOS. While it reflects the policy position of the organisation, it does not purport to represent the individual views of every member.

APRA AMCOS supports the passage of the Copyright Amendment Bill 2025 in its current form, without amendment.

While APRA AMCOS does not share the perceived concerns raised by some stakeholders in the school sector regarding the application of the Act to remote learning, we recognise the importance of providing certainty and avoiding any unnecessary liability for teachers in respect of past activities.

We are pleased to note that the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill addresses a number of concerns previously raised by APRA AMCOS, particularly in clarifying that section 28 (as amended) is not intended to extend to delayed streaming of previously recorded educational instruction or impact existing commercial licensing arrangements.

On that basis, APRA AMCOS supports the Bill as currently drafted in respect of Schedule 1 – Orphan Works and Schedule 2—Remote learning.

We commend the Committee for its work in developing the Bill and for its ongoing commitment to supporting Australia's creative industries. APRA AMCOS stands ready to assist the Committee further should any additional information or clarification be required.

If we can provide further information, or be of assistance in any other way, please do not hesitate to contact me or Jonathan Carter, Chief Operating Officer at APRA AMCOS.

Yours sincerely,

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