

Courts and Tribunals Legislation Amendment (Administration) Bill 2012

Introduced into the House of Representatives on 31 October 2012; before Reps

Portfolio: Attorney-General

PJCHR comments: [Report 7/12](#), tabled on 28 November 2012

Ministerial response dated: 21 December 2012

Committee view

3.1 The committee thanks the former Attorney-General for her response and makes no further comment on this bill.

Background

3.2 This bill makes amendments to the administrative structures and processes of the National Native Title Tribunal, the Federal Court of Australia, the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia.

3.3 The committee sought further information from the former Attorney-General on whether the bill gives rise to any concerns with regard to the right of access to courts and tribunals guaranteed by article 14(1) of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and whether these changes could reduce the access individuals currently have to the National Native Title Tribunal.

3.4 The former Attorney-General's response is attached.