## **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

## PETITIONS COMMITTEE

**REPORT No. 12** 

13 May 2020

## **MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

Chair Mr Ken O'Dowd MP
Deputy Chair Hon Justine Elliot MP

Mrs Bridget Archer MP Ms Lisa Chesters MP Ms Gladys Liu MP

Mr Julian Simmonds MP Mr James Stevens MP Ms Susan Templeman MP Report relating to the consideration of petitions and matters relating to the petitions system

The committee met in private session on 25 March.

1. The committee resolved to present the following petitions in accordance with standing order 207:

From 1 petitioner - requesting a ban for travel to and from Korea during COVID-19 (EN1359)

From 58 petitioners - requesting safe houses and support for victims of domestic violence **(EN1360)** 

From 1 petitioner - requesting for the sale of nicotine based vaping products to be legalised **(EN1362)** 

From 1 petitioner - requesting a trial of two new road safety strategies **(EN1366)** 

From 3 petitioners - requesting for a right to repair on goods purchased **(EN1367)** 

From 1 petitioner – requesting support for the Brimbank Girls and Women in Sport 2020 Agenda **(EN1368)** 

From 5 petitioners - requesting an increase for the single aged pension **(EN1370)** 

From 2 petitioners - requesting a change to the manufacturing of certain vehicle parts (EN1374)

From 2 petitioners - requesting that schools and universities be shut down during COVID-19 (EN1375)

From 1 petitioner - requesting the removal of GST on accredited exercise physiologists (EN1376)

From 14 petitioners - requesting a ban on all single use plastic items (EN1377)

From 1,341 petitioners - requesting that the processing time for 887 visas be shortened **(EN1378)** 

From 2 petitioners – requesting a change to taxation (EN1380)

From 4 petitioners - requesting a tax deduction or subsidy for electric vehicles **(EN1381)** 

From 8 petitioners - requesting changes to the cashless welfare card scheme **(EN1382)** 

From 1 petitioner - requesting the closure of Australia's borders and a ban on large crowds during COVID-19 (EN1384)

From 2 petitioners - requesting the closure of Australia's borders during COVID-19 (EN1385)

From 5 petitioners – requesting a temporary ban on international flights **(EN1386)** 

From 17 petitioners - requesting financial relief for the events industry during COVID-19 **(EN1387)** 

From 5 petitioners - requesting that schools and universities be closed during the COVID-19 (EN1388)

From 2 petitioners - requesting for the House to state support for the use of face masks to minimise the spread of COVID-19 **(EN1389)** 

From 11 petitioners – requesting for the COVID-19 stimulus package to also benefit live entertainers (EN1391)

From 1 petitioner - requesting that AFL season be postponed due to COVID-19 **(EN1393)** 

From 1 petitioner - requesting that schools and universities be closed temporarily during COVID-19 **(EN1395)** 

From 2 petitioners - requesting that all non-essential work, travel and education be shutdown to contain COVID-19 (EN1396)

From 2 petitioners - requesting a mandate to quarantine all international arrivals (EN1398)

From 33 petitioners - requesting for the suspension of education institutions during COVID-19 **(EN1399)** 

From 2 petitioners - requesting that businesses enforce working from home during COVID-19(EN1400)

From 11 petitioners - requesting that Australia is placed in a temporary lockdown during COVID-19 **(EN1401)** 

From 13 petitioners - requesting that Australia is placed in a temporary lockdown and bills are frozen during COVID-19 **(EN1402)** 

From 12 petitioners – requesting that outstanding HELP debts be cancelled **(EN1403)** 

From 12 petitioners - requesting support for venues during COVID-19 **(EN1405)** 

From 2 petitioners - requesting fully subsidised childcare during COVID-19 (EN1413)

From 10,188 petitioners - requesting a COVID-19 financial stimulus package for the Australian events industry **(EN1414)** 

From 7 petitioners - requesting that the House deny visitors from the US from entering Australia during COVID-19 **(EN1415)** 

From 1,040 petitioners - requesting a COVID-19 federal aid package for the travel industry **(EN1416)** 

Mr Ken O'Dowd

**Chair - Petitions Committee**