

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE SENATE**  
**ON THE STATUS OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSES TO PARLIAMENTARY**  
**COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
**as at 31 December 2021**

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## **BACKGROUND**

Twice a year the President provides a report to the Senate on the status of government responses to Senate and joint committee reports.

Government responses to committee reports are required within three months of a report being tabled,<sup>1</sup> and must be provided to committee chairs as well as tabled in the Senate.

This practice has arisen from a Senate resolution of 14 March 1973, in which the Senate declared its opinion that the government should provide a response to committee reports within three months of tabling.<sup>2</sup> Successive governments have affirmed their commitment to providing such responses.<sup>3</sup>

## **REPORTS THAT REQUIRE A GOVERNMENT RESPONSE**

Generally, if a committee report makes a recommendation to government then that report will require a government response.

However, Senate committee reports on bills which contain recommendations that could only be addressed during the consideration of the bill—for example, a recommendation that a bill be passed, rejected or amended—do not require a separate government response and therefore are not included in this report. If such reports contain other recommendations that do require a government response, the response may also be provided during debate on the bill rather than via correspondence to the committee chair and tabling in the Senate.

Reports by committees on estimates or scrutiny of annual reports are not included in this report, unless they contain recommendations that require a government response.

Reports of certain domestic committees, including Appropriations; Staffing and Security; Privileges; Procedure; Publications; and Senators' Interests, are not included in this report unless they contain recommendations that require a government response.

Reports of the Selection of Bills Committee on the referral of bills to committees are responded to via the Senate's adoption of the committee's report, and are therefore not included in this report.

Reports of scrutiny committees on legislation are not generally included in this report because those committees correspond directly with ministers in relation to legislative scrutiny matters. However, any reports of these committees that make recommendations that require a government response are included in this report. The Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights, for example, occasionally undertakes ad hoc inquiries that address policy recommendations to government.

Reports of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit usually make administrative recommendations to departments and agencies, and responses are provided in the form of either a government response or an executive minute provided to the committee and tabled in the Senate.

Reports of the Joint Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works (PWC) are not usually included in this report. Responses to the PWC are normally reflected in the outcome of motions in the House of Representatives for the approval of works recommended in the committee's reports.

## **GOVERNMENT REPORT ON THE STATUS OF RESPONSES**

This report should be read in conjunction with the *Government report on the Status of responses to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 September 2020* (the government report), which was tabled in the Senate on 9 December 2020.

The government report routinely provides an interim response to committee reports that 'The Government's response is being considered'. Responses of this type are identified in the 'Date response tabled/presented' column of this report as 'Interim\*'.

If a final response was provided during debate on a bill rather than via correspondence, the government report usually states that 'The Government's response was provided during debate on the bill'. Responses of this type are identified in the 'Date response tabled/presented' column of this report as 'Final\*'.

## **ABBREVIATIONS**

In this report 'HoR' indicates the date on which a report or response was tabled in the House of Representatives.

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<sup>1</sup> On 29 September 2010, the House of Representatives agreed to a resolution providing six months for the government to respond to House and joint committee reports. This resolution did not affect the Senate's requirement for responses to reports tabled in the Senate to be tabled within three months.

<sup>2</sup> *Journals of the Senate*, 14 March 1973, p. 51.

<sup>3</sup> See, for example, letter from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister (Mr Roger Price) to the President of the Senate (tabled Paper 4099), *Journals of the Senate*, 5 November 1991, p. 1625; and *House of Representatives Hansard*, 27 June 1996, p. 3026.

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
<b>A Certain Maritime Incident—Senate Select</b>			
Report on a Certain Maritime Incident	23.10.02	Interim*	No
<b>Administration of Sports Grants—Senate Select</b>			
Final report	18.3.21	-	No
<b>Australia as a Technology and Financial Centre—Senate Select (formerly known as Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology)</b>			
Interim report	2.9.20	Interim*	No
Second interim report	28.4.21	-	No
Final report	20.10.21	-	-
<b>Australia Fund Establishment—Joint Select</b>			
Report	25.6.15 25.6.15 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Australia's Family Law System</b>			
Improvements in family law proceedings—Interim report	8.10.20 7.10.20 HoR	-	No
Improvements in family law proceedings—Second interim report	16.3.21 15.3.21 HoR	-	No
Australia's child support scheme: Third interim report	23.11.21 22.11.21 HoR	-	-
Final report	23.11.21 22.11.21 HoR	-	-
<b>Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory</b>			
Integrity of overseas Commonwealth law enforcement operations	27.6.13 24.6.13 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	31.8.16 5.5.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Integrity of Australia's border arrangements	8.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	No

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
<b>Certain Aspects of Queensland Government Administration related to Commonwealth Government Affairs—Senate Select</b>			
Report	27.3.15	Interim*	No
<b>Community Affairs Legislation</b>			
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2018	12.10.18	Interim*	No
Aged Care and Other Legislation Amendment (Royal Commission Response No. 2) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	16.11.21	-	-
Centrelink’s compliance program—Fifth interim report	23.11.21	-	-
National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Participant Service Guarantee and Other Measures) Bill 2021—Dissenting report by Labor Senators	2.12.21	-	-
<b>Community Affairs References</b>			
The factors affecting the supply of health services and medical professionals in rural areas	22.8.12	Interim*	No
Australia’s domestic response to the World Health Organization’s WHO Commission on Social Determinants of Health report “Closing the gap within a generation	20.3.13	Interim*	No
Out-of-pocket costs in Australian healthcare	22.8.14	Interim*	No
Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia	29.11.16	Interim*	No
Adequacy of Newstart and related payments and alternative mechanisms to determine the level of income support payments in Australia	30.4.20	Interim*	No
Effective approaches to prevention, diagnosis and support for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder	17.3.21	-	No
<b>Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples—Joint Select</b>			
Progress report	28.10.14 27.10.14 HoR	Interim*	No
Final report	25.6.15 25.6.15 HoR	Interim*	No

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<b>Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples 2018—Joint Select</b>			
Final Report	29.11.18 29.11.18 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory</b>			
Impairment of Customer Loans	4.5.16 5.5.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Life insurance industry	28.3.18 27.3.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Options for greater involvement by private sector life insurers in work rehabilitation	14.2.19 24.10.18 HoR	Interim*	No
2017-18 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act	2.4.19 2.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, the Takeovers Panel and the Corporations Legislation	2.4.19 14.2.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Regulation of auditing in Australia—Interim report	27.2.20 2.3.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Regulation of auditing in Australia—Final report	11.11.20 12.11.20 HoR	-	No
Litigation funding and the regulation of the class action industry	21.12.20 2.2.21 HoR	20.10.21	No
2019–2020 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act	25.8.21 25.8.21 HoR	-	No
Corporations Amendment (Improving Outcomes for Litigation Funding Participants) Bill 2021	23.11.21 22.11.21 HoR	-	-
Mobile payment and digital wallet financial services	23.11.21 28.10.21 HoR	-	-
Regulation of the use of financial services such as credit cards and digital wallets for online gambling in Australia	23.11.21 22.11.21 HoR	-	-
<b>COVID-19—Senate Select</b>			
First interim report	9.12.20	-	No
Public interest immunity claims—Third interim report	1.12.21	-	-

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
<b>Economics Legislation</b>			
Annual reports No. 2 of 2010	17.11.10	Interim*	No
Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	14.2.17	Interim*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Reducing Pressure on Housing Affordability Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment (Near-new Dwelling Interests) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	23.3.18	Interim*	No
National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018 [Provisions]—Report	5.6.18	Interim*	No
Australian Business Growth Fund Bill 2019 [Provisions]	21.2.20	Interim*	No
Currency (Restrictions on the Use of Cash) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	28.2.20	Interim*	No
Performance of the Inspector-General of Taxation	17.6.20	Interim*	No
National Radioactive Waste Management Amendment (Site Specification, Community Fund and Other Measures) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	14.9.20	Interim*	No
National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Small Amount Credit Contract and Consumer Lease Reforms) Bill 2019 (No. 2)	21.9.20	Interim*	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Research and Development Tax Incentive) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	12.10.20	-	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (Self Managed Superannuation Funds) Bill 2020	4.11.20	-	No
Foreign Investment Reform (Protecting Australia's National Security) Bill 2020 [Provisions] and Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2020 [Provisions]	26.11.20	-	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (News Media and Digital Platforms Mandatory Bargaining Code) Bill 2020	12.2.21	-	No
COAG Reform Fund Amendment (No Electric Vehicle Taxes) Bill 2020	7.5.21	-	No
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Benefit to Australia) Bill 2020	30.6.21	-	No
Financial Sector Reform (Hayne Royal Commission Response—Better Advice) Bill 2021	30.7.21	-	No
Corporations Amendment (Meetings and Documents) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	18.11.21	-	-

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Offshore Petroleum (Laminaria and Corallina Decommissioning Cost Recovery Levy) Bill 2021 [Provisions] and Treasury Laws Amendment (Laminaria and Corallina Decommissioning Cost Recovery Levy) Bill 2021[Provisions]	18.11.21	-	-
<b>Economics References</b>			
Corporate tax avoidance—Part 1: You cannot tax what you cannot see	18.8.15	Interim*	No
Corporate tax avoidance—Part II: Gaming the system	22.4.16	Interim*	No
Personal choice and community impacts—Interim report: sale and use of marijuana and associated products term of reference c	4.5.16	Interim*	No
Superbad – Wage theft and non-compliance of the Superannuation Guarantee	2.5.17	Interim*	No
Toll roads: issues of building, financing, and charging	14.9.17	Interim*	No
Corporate tax avoidance – Part III: Much heat, little light so far	30.5.18	Interim*	No
Future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry	28.6.18	Interim*	No
Regulatory framework for the protection of consumers in the banking, insurance and financial services sector	15.11.18	Interim*	No
Financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers	27.11.18	Interim*	No
Credit and hardship: report of the Senate inquiry into credit and financial products targeted at Australians at risk of financial hardship	22.2.19	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the indicators of, and impact of, regional inequality in Australia	3.12.20	-	No
Australia’s sovereign naval shipbuilding capability: Future Submarine Program: Ringing of bells, wringing of hands—Interim report	28.5.21	-	No
Greenfields, cash cows and the regulation of foreign investment in Australia	27.8.21	-	No
<b>Education and Employment Legislation</b>			
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Streamlined Participation Requirements and Other Measures) Bill 2021	18.6.21	-	No
Sex Discrimination and Fair Work (Respect at Work) Amendment Bill 2021	9.8.21	-	No

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<b>Education and Employment References</b>			
A National Disgrace: The Exploitation of Temporary Work Visa Holders	17.3.16	Interim*	No
Corporate Avoidance of the <i>Fair Work Act 2009</i>	6.9.17	Interim*	No
Wage theft? What wage theft?! – Exploitation of general and specialists cleaners working in retail chains for contracting or subcontracting cleaning companies	13.11.18	Interim*	No
Driving a fairer deal: Regulation of the relationship between car manufacturers and car dealers in Australia	18.3.21	2.9.21	No
<b>Effectiveness of the Australian Government's Northern Australia agenda—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	3.12.20	-	No
Final report	28.4.21	-	No
<b>Electoral Matters—Joint Standing</b>			
Interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2013 Federal Election: Senate voting practices	9.5.14 14.5.14 HoR	Interim*	No
Second interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2013 federal election: An assessment of electronic voting options	20.11.14 24.11.14 HoR	Interim*	No
The 2013 Federal Election—Report on the conduct of the 2013 election and matters related thereto	15.4.15 12.5.15 HoR	Interim*	No
The 2016 Federal Election—Third interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2016 federal election: AEC modernisation	22.6.17 21.6.17 HoR	Recommendation 1, 2 incomplete response	No
Excluded: The impact of section 44 on Australian democracy	17.5.18 21.5.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Conduct of the 2016 federal election and matters related thereto	14.2.19 5.12.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Advisory Report on the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Real Time Disclosure of Political Donations) Bill 2019	17.12.19 5.2.20 HoR	Interim*	No
All aspects of the conduct of the 2019 Federal Election and matters related thereto—Delegation to the International Grand Committee, Dublin, Ireland— Interim report	19.5.20 11.6.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering the Donation Disclosure Threshold) Bill 2019	28.5.20 11.6.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Conduct of the 2019 federal election and matters related thereto	10.12.20 10.12.20 HoR	-	No



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Inquiry on the future conduct of elections operating during times of emergency situations	24.6.21 24.6.21 HoR	2.12.21	No
<b>Electric Vehicles—Senate Select</b>			
Report	30.1.19	Interim*	No
<b>Environment and Communications Legislation</b>			
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Standing Bill 2015 [Provisions]	18.11.15	Interim*	No
Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Amendment Bill 2017 [Provisions]	9.5.17	Interim*	No
Water Amendment (Purchase Limit Repeal) Bill 2019	26.3.19	Interim*	No
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019	16.4.20	Interim*	No
Clean Energy Finance Corporation Amendment (Grid Reliability Fund) Bill 2020	4.11.20	-	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Streamlining Environmental Approvals) Bill 2020	27.11.20	-	No
Industrial Chemicals Environmental Management (Register) Bill 2020 [Provisions] and related bills	11.3.21	1.7.21	No
Online Safety Bill 2021 [Provisions] and Online Safety (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	12.3.21	-	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Regional Forest Agreements) Bill 2020	13.5.21	-	No
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standards and Assurance) Bill 2021	8.6.21	-	No
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (2021 Measures No. 1) Bill 2021	21.6.21	-	No
Treasury Laws Amendment (2021 Measures No. 5) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	31.8.21	-	No
<b>Environment and Communications References</b>			
Direct Action: Paying polluters to halt global warming?	26.3.14	Interim*	No
National Landcare Program	25.3.15	Interim*	No

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Regulation of the fin-fish aquaculture industry in Tasmania	21.8.15	Interim*	No
Toxic tide: the threat of marine plastic pollution in Australia	20.4.16	Interim*	No
Retirement of coal fired power stations—Interim report	28.11.16	Interim*	No
Retirement of coal fired power stations	29.3.17	Interim*	No
Participation of Australians in online poker	18.10.17	Interim*	No
In hot water: the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity	6.12.17	Interim*	No
Shark mitigation and deterrent measures	12.12.17	Interim*	No
Never waste a crisis: the waste and recycling industry in Australia	26.6.18	Interim*	No
Current and future impacts of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure	13.8.18	Interim*	No
Adequacy of the regulatory framework governing water use by the extractive industry	17.10.18	Interim*	No
Rehabilitation of mining and resources projects and power station ash dams as it relates to Commonwealth responsibilities	20.3.19	Interim*	No
Economic and cultural value of Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services	26.3.19	Interim*	No
Australia's faunal extinction crisis: Environmental protections for native grasslands, and the conduct of Ministers—Interim report	4.12.19	Interim*	No
Australia Post	26.5.21	-	No
Freedom of the Press	19.5.21	-	No
Impact of feral deer, pigs and goats in Australia	19.5.21	-	No
Making waves: the impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment	10.6.21	23.11.21	No
Oil and gas exploration and production in the Beetaloo Basin	24.8.21	-	No
<b>Environment, Communications and the Arts References</b>			
The impacts of mining in the Murray-Darling Basin	4.12.09	Interim*	No
<b>Establishment of a National Integrity Commission—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	3.5.16	Interim*	No

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<b>Finance and Public Administration Legislation</b>			
Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2008	15.6.09	Interim*	No
Social Security Legislation Amendment Community Development Program Bill 2015	2.3.16	Interim*	No
National Integrity (Parliamentary Standards) Bill 2019	12.8.20	-	No
Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Tax Transparency in Procurement and Grants) Bill 2019	4.9.20	Interim*	No
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donation Reform and Other Measures) Bill 2020	3.12.20	-	No
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Banning Dirty Donations) Bill 2020	16.3.21	-	No
Data Availability and Transparency (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020	29.4.21	-	No
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Integrity of Elections) Bill 2021	14.10.21	-	
Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Amendment Bill 2021 [Provisions]	14.10.21	-	-
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Remote Engagement Program) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	14.10.21	-	-
Territories Stolen Generations Redress Scheme (Facilitation) Bill 2021 and Territories Stolen Generations Redress Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	14.10.21	-	-
COAG Legislation Amendment Bill 2021 [Provisions]	19.10.21	-	-
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (Economic Empowerment) Bill 2021	25.11.21	-	-
<b>Finance and Public Administration References</b>			
Staff employed under <i>Members of Parliament Staff Act 1984</i>	16.10.03	Interim*	No
Implementation of the National Health Reform Agreement	7.3.13	Interim*	No
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services	13.10.16	Interim*	No
Compliance by former Ministers of State with the requirements of the Prime Minister's Statement of Ministerial Standards	26.9.19	Interim*	No
APS Inc: undermining public sector capability and performance—The current capability of the Australian Public Service	25.11.21	-	-

<b>Committee and report title</b>	<b>Date report tabled/presented</b>	<b>Response received</b>	<b>Response provided within 3 months</b>
Lessons to be learned in relation to the Australian bushfire season 2019-20	2.12.21	-	-
Administration and expenditure of funding under the Urban Congestion Fund (UCF)	2.12.21	-	-
<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing</b>			
Compassion, not commerce: an inquiry into human organ trafficking and organ transplant tourism	5.12.18 3.12.18 HoR	16.9.21 26.9.21 HoR	No
Freedom of religion and belief, the Australian experience—Second interim report	3.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into Australia’s aid program in the Indo-Pacific—First report	3.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into transition from the Australian Defence Force (ADF)	3.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into PFAS remediation in and around Defence bases—Second progress report	1.9.20 31.8.20 HoR	Interim*	No
Criminality, corruption and impunity: Should Australia join the Global Magnitsky movement? An inquiry into targeted sanctions to address human rights abuses	8.12.20 7.12.20 HoR	9.8.21 5.8.21 HoR	No
Inquiry into the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic for Australia’s foreign affairs, defence and trade	8.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	No
Inquiry into Australia’s defence relationships with Pacific Island nations	1.4.21 12.5.21 HoR	21.10.21 21.10.21 HoR	No
Certain aspects of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade annual report 2019-20—Australia’s response to the coup in Myanmar—Interim report	24.6.21 24.6.21 HoR	-	No
One region, one family, one future: Deepening relations with the Pacific nations through trade	2.9.21 1.9.21 HoR	-	No
Inquiry into the human rights of women and girls in the Pacific	30.11.21 29.11.21 HoR	-	-
Inquiry into the Department of Defence annual report 2019-20	30.11.21 25.11.21 HoR	-	-
Advocating for the elimination of child and forced marriage: Interim report for the inquiry into certain aspects of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade annual report 2019-20	2.12.21 2.12.21 HoR	-	-

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<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation</b>			
National Commissioner for Defence and Veteran Suicide Prevention Bill 2020 [provisions] and the National Commissioner for Defence and Veteran Suicide Prevention (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020 [provisions]	30.11.20	-	No
Customs Amendment (Banning Goods Produced By Uyghur Forced Labour) Bill 2020	17.6.21	-	No
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Equity Investments and Other Measures) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	20.8.21	-	No
<b>Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References</b>			
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— First interim report	14.8.17	Interim*	No
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— Second interim report	11.9.17	Interim*	No
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— Third interim report	19.10.17	Interim*	No
Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities— Fourth interim report	13.2.18	Interim*	No
Implications of climate change for Australia’s national security	17.5.18	Interim*	No
United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Australia’s declarations made under certain international laws	27.2.20	Interim*	No
Opportunities for strengthening Australia’s relations with the Republic of France	27.8.20	Interim*	No
Issues facing diaspora communities in Australia	4.2.21	-	No
Accuracy of information provided to Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits (DFRDB) members	2.7.21	2.12.21	No
TPI payment (Special Rate of Disability Pension)	1.7.21	7.10.21	No
Funding for public research into foreign policy issues	20.8.21	-	No
Opportunities for advancing Australia’s strategic interests through existing regional architecture	7.10.21	-	-

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<b>Future of Work and Workers—Senate Select</b>			
Hope is not a strategy – our shared responsibility for the future of work and workers	19.9.18	Interim*	No
<b>Health—Senate Select</b>			
Fourth interim report—Mental health: a consensus for action	8.10.15	Interim*	No
Sixth interim report—Big health data: Australia’s big potential	4.5.16	Interim*	No
Final report—Hospital funding cuts: the perfect storm: The demolition of Federal-State health relations 2014-2016	5.5.16	Interim*	No
<b>Human Rights—Joint Statutory</b>			
Eleventh Report of 2013: <i>Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Act 2012</i> and related legislation	27.6.13 26.6.13 HoR	Interim*	No
2016 Review of Stronger Future measures	17.3.16 16.3.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Freedom of speech in Australia	21.3.17 28.2.17 HoR	Interim*	No
ParentsNext: examination of Social Security (Parenting payment participation requirements—class of persons) Instrument 2021	5.8.21 4.8.21 HoR	-	No
<b>Implementation of the National Redress Scheme—Joint Select</b>			
Implementation of the National Redress Scheme April 2020	7.5.20 14.5.20 HoR	30.9.21 19.10.21 HoR	No
Second interim report	23.11.21 24.11.21 HoR	-	-
<b>Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory</b>			
Review of the mandatory data retention regime: A review of the mandatory data retention regime prescribed by Part 5-1A of the <i>Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979</i>	10.11.20 28.10.20 HoR	-	No
Review of ‘Declared Areas’ Provisions: Sections 119.2 and 119.3 of the Criminal Code	24.2.21 25.2.21 HoR	8.7.21 3.8.21 HoR	No
Advisory Report on the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (International Production Orders) Bill 2020	12.5.21 13.5.21 HoR	-	No

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Review of the relisting of Hizballah's External Security Organisation as a terrorist organisation under the Criminal Code	22.6.21	24.11.21 24.11.21 HoR	No
Surveillance Legislation Amendment (Identify and Disrupt) Bill 2020	5.8.21 5.8.21 HoR	-	No
Annual report of committee activities 2020-2021	14.9.21 18.10.21 HoR	-	No
Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2020	16.9.21 18.10.21 HoR	20.10.21 19.10.21 HoR	Yes
Security Legislation Amendment (Critical Infrastructure) Bill 2020 and Statutory Review of the <i>Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018</i>	29.9.21 18.10.21 HoR	-	No
Review of police powers in relation to terrorism, the control order regime, the preventative detention order regime and the continuing detention order regime—Division 3A of Part IAA of the <i>Crimes Act 1914</i> ; Divisions 104, 105 and 105A of the <i>Criminal Code Act 1995</i>	14.10.21 18.10.21 HoR	-	No
Review of the relisting of five organisations as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code—Al-Shabaab, Lashkar-e-Tayyiba, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Hamas' Izz al-Din al-Qassam Brigades and the Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK)	14.10.21 18.10.21 HoR	-	No
Reviews of Administration and Expenditure: No. 18 (2018-2019) and No. 19 (2019-2020)—Australian Intelligence Agencies	24.11.21 25.11.21 HoR	-	-
<b>Jobs for the Future in Regional Areas—Select Committee</b>			
Report	4.12.19	Interim*	No
<b>Job Security—Select Committee</b>			
First interim report: on-demand platform work in Australia	24.6.21	-	No
Insecurity in publicly funded jobs—Second interim report	19.10.21	-	-
Labour hire and contracting—Third interim report	30.11.21	-	-

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<b>Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory</b>			
Inquiry into financial related crime	8.9.15 7.9.15 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into crystal methamphetamine (ice)— First report	7.9.17 6.9.17 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into crystal methamphetamine (ice)— Final report	28.3.18 27.3.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2015-16	8.5.18 28.3.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the trade in elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn	20.9.18 19.9.18 HoR	Interim*	No
Impact of new and emerging information and communications technology	23.7.19 4.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Summary report of the 24 June 2020 public hearing on the Australian Institute of Criminology's National Deaths in Custody Program	10.11.20 8.10.20 HoR	-	No
Illicit tobacco—Final report	12.11.20 12.11.20 HoR	24.11.21 24.11.21 HoR	No
Public communications campaigns targeting drug and substance abuse	12.5.21 12.5.21 HoR	-	No
COVID-19, criminal activity and law enforcement	23.6.21 21.6.21 HoR	-	No
Vaccine related fraud and security risks	31.8.21 26.8.21 HoR	-	No
<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation</b>			
Migration and Maritime Powers Legislation Amendment (Resolving the Asylum Legacy Caseload) Bill 2014 [Provisions]	24.11.14	Interim*	No
Freedom of Information Amendment (New Arrangements) Bill 2014 [Provisions]	25.11.14	Interim*	No
Family Law Amendment (Financial Agreements and Other Measures) Bill 2015	24.2.16	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]	10.10.16	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2017 [Provisions]	16.11.17	Interim*	No
Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017	21.3.18	Interim*	No



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Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017	26.3.18	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Clarification of Jurisdiction) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	5.6.18	Interim*	No
Migration (Validation of Port Appointment) Bill 2018	12.9.18	Interim*	No
Freedom of Information Legislation Amendment (Improving Access and Transparency) Bill 2018	30.11.18	Interim*	No
Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017	7.12.18	Interim*	No
Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2018 [Provisions] and Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018 [Provisions]	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removing Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018 and all circulated amendments to the bill	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Censorship) Bill 2018, Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Insult and Offend) Bill 2018 and Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Security) Bill 2018	8.3.19	Interim*	No
New Skilled Regional Visas (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	11.10.19	Interim*	No
Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2020	5.8.20	Interim*	No
Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2019 [Provisions] Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2019 [Provisions]	20.11.20	-	No
Immigration (Education) Amendment (Expanding Access to English Tuition) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	27.11.20	-	No
Migration and Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening Information Provisions) Bill 2020 [Provisions]	10.3.21	-	No
<i>National Emergency Declaration Act 2020</i>	30.6.21	-	No
Family Law Amendment (Federal Family Violence Orders) Bill 2021 [Provisions]	29.7.21	-	No
Courts and Tribunals Legislation Amendment (2021 Measures No. 1) Bill 2021	13.8.21	23.11.21	Yes
Crimes Amendment (Remissions of Sentences) Bill 2021	5.11.21	-	-

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<b>Legal and Constitutional Affairs References</b>			
The road to a republic	31.8.04	Interim*	No
A claim of public interest immunity raised over documents	6.3.14	Interim*	No
Comprehensive revision of the <i>Telecommunications Interception and Access Act 1979</i>	24.3.15	Interim*	No
Phenomenon colloquially referred to as 'revenge porn'	25.2.16	Interim*	No
Nature and scope of the consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment Solicitor-General Opinions Direction 2016	8.11.16	Interim*	No
Serious allegations of abuse, self-harm and neglect of asylum seekers in relation to the Nauru Regional Processing Centre, and any like allegations in relation to the Manus Regional Processing Centre	21.4.17	Interim*	No
Nature and scope of any agreement reached by the Commonwealth and Western Australian governments in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of, and litigation concerning, the Bell Group of companies (the proceeds)—Final report	21.6.17	Interim*	No
Allegations concerning the inappropriate exercise of ministerial powers, with respect to the visa status of au pairs, and related matters	19.9.18	Interim*	No
Legislative exemptions that allow faith-based educational institutions to discriminate against students, teachers and staff	26.11.18	Interim*	No
Practice of dowry and the incidence of dowry abuse in Australia	14.2.19	Interim*	No
Effectiveness of the current temporary skilled visa system in targeting genuine skills shortages	2.4.19	Interim*	No
Resolution of disputes with financial service providers within the justice system	8.4.19	Interim*	No
Impact of changes to service delivery models on the administration and running of government programs	27.2.20	Interim*	No
Nationhood, national identity and democracy	16.2.21	-	No
<b>Lending to Primary Production Customers—Senate Select</b>			
Report	6.12.17	Interim*	No

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<b>Migration—Joint Standing</b>			
Immigration detention in Australia: A new beginning: Criteria for release from detention—First report of the inquiry into immigration detention	2.12.08 1.12.08 HoR	Interim*	No
Immigration detention in Australia: Community-based alternatives to detention—Second report of the inquiry into immigration detention	15.6.09 25.5.09 HoR	Interim*	No
Immigration detention in Australia: Facilities, services and transparency—Third report of the inquiry into immigration detention	18.8.09 18.8.09 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into efficacy of current regulation of Australian migration and education agents	27.2.19 21.2.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into review processes associated with visa cancellations made on criminal grounds	27.2.19 21.2.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Inquiry into the Working Holiday Maker Program—Final report	1.12.20 30.11.20	-	No
Inquiry into Australia's skilled migration program—Interim report	11.5.21 18.3.21 HoR	-	No
Australia's skilled migration program—Final report.	10.8.21	-	No
<b>Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan—Senate Select</b>			
Final report and report on Constitution Alteration (Water Resources) 2019	30.9.21	-	No
<b>National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing</b>			
Telling Australia's Story – and why it's important: Report on the inquiry into Canberra's national institutions	8.4.19 3.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
<b>National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing</b>			
General issues	10.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	-	No
NDIS workforce—Interim report	10.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	7.10.21 19.10.21 HoR	No
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NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission	1.12.21 30.11.21 HoR	-	-
<b>National Integrity Commission—Senate Select</b>			
Report	13.9.17	Interim*	No
<b>Northern Australia—Joint Standing</b>			
A way forward: Final report into the destruction of Indigenous heritage sites at Juukan Gorge	18.10.21	-	-
<b>Obesity epidemic in Australia—Senate Select</b>			
Final report	5.12.18	Interim*	No
<b>Political Influence of Donations—Senate Select</b>			
Political Influence of Donations	6.6.18	Interim*	No
<b>Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory</b>			
Report 460—Public Sector Governance Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report 29 (2015-16)	16.2.17 27.2.17 HoR	Interim*	No
Report 463—Commonwealth Financial Statements—Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report No. 33	5.9.17 6.9.17 HoR	Recommendations 4-7 20.3.18 Recommendation 2 8.5.18 Recommendation 1 14.8.18 Incomplete response	No
Report 472—Commonwealth Procurement – Second report: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 9 and 12 (2017-18) and 61 (2016-17), dated October 2018	17.10.18 18.10.18 HoR	Recommendations 1- 4 2.4.19 Recommendations 8 – 16 4.12.19 Recommendation 12 1.9.21 Incomplete response	No

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Report 476—Australian Government funding: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 18 and 50 (2017-18)	14.2.19 18.2.19 HoR	Recommendations 2 -13 4.12.19 Incomplete response	No
Report 477—Commonwealth financial statements – Second report; and Foreign investment in real estate: Inquiries based on Auditor-General’s reports 24 and 48 (2017-18)	2.4.19 4.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Report 478—Issuing of a Certificate under section 37 of the <i>Auditor-General’s Act 1997</i>	2.4.19 4.4.19 HoR	Interim*	No
Report 479—Australian Government security arrangements: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 38 and 43 (2017-18)	2.4.19 4.4.19 HoR	Recommendations 1, 3-8 4.12.19 Incomplete response	No
Report 480—Annual Report 2018-19	4.12.19 5.12.19 HoR	-	No
Report 482—Review of the Operations of the Parliamentary Budget Office 2019-20	1.12.20 19.10.20 HoR	Recommendation 1 1.9.21 Incomplete response	No
Report 483—Inquiry into the 2018-19 Defence Major Projects Report and the Future Submarine Project – Transition to Design (Auditor-General’s Reports 19 and 22 (2019-20))	8.12.20 7.12.20	Recommendations 1–7 1.9.21	No
Report 484—The Administration of Government Grants: Inquiry into Auditor-General’s Reports 5, 12 and 23 (2019-20)	8.12.20 7.12.20	Recommendations 1–7 21.10.21	No
Report 485—Cyber Resilience: Inquiry into Auditor-General’s Reports 1 and 13 (2019-20)	10.12.20 9.12.20 HoR	Recommendations 1 – 6 1.9.21	No
Report 486: Regulatory activities: Inquiry into Auditor-General’s Reports 33, 47 and 48 (2019-20) and 5 and 8 (2020-21)	1.9.21 24.8.21 HoR	-	No

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<b>Public works—Joint Standing Committee</b>			
2 <sup>nd</sup> report of 2019—Referrals made July 2019	10.9.19 9.9.19 HoR	Interim*	No
2 <sup>nd</sup> report of 2020—Referrals made November 2019 and February 2020	7.5.20 12.5.20 HoR	Interim*	No
3 <sup>rd</sup> report of 2020—Referrals made November 2019 and February 2020	11.6.20 10.6.20 HoR	Interim*	No
5 <sup>th</sup> report of 2020—Referral made in May 2020	28.9.20 6.10.20 HoR	Interim*	No
1 <sup>st</sup> report of 2021—Referral made in April 2020	23.2.21 22.2.21 HoR	-	No
5 <sup>th</sup> report of 2021—Referral made May 2021	24.8.21 23.8.21 HoR	-	No
6 <sup>th</sup> report of 2021—Referrals made May and June 2021	24.8.21 23.8.21 HoR	-	No
<b>Red Tape—Senate Select</b>			
Effect of red tape on the sale, supply and taxation of alcohol—First interim report	29.3.17	Interim*	No
Effect of red tape on tobacco retail—Second interim report	27.6.17	Interim*	No
Effect of red tape on pharmacy rules—Fourth interim report	15.2.18	Interim*	No
Policy and process to limit and reduce red tape	3.12.18	Interim*	No
<b>Regional and Remote Indigenous Communities—Senate Select</b>			
Final report 2010	24.9.10	Interim*	No
<b>Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World—Senate Select</b>			
Stability and Affordability: Forging a path to Australia’s renewable energy future	7.4.17	Interim*	No

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<b>Road Safety—Joint Select Committee</b>			
Improving Road Safety in Australia	30.10.20	31.8.21	No
<b>Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation</b>			
Criminal Code Amendment Animal Protection Bill 2015	12.6.15	Interim*	No
Air Services Amendment Bill 2018	16.8.18	Interim*	No
Performance of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority	17.6.20	Interim*	No
<b>Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References</b>			
Management of the Murray Darling Basin—Interim report: The impact of mining coal seam gas on the management of the Murray-Darling Basin	30.11.11	Interim*	No
Current requirements for labelling of seafood and seafood products	18.12.14	Recommendation 1 10.12.20 Incomplete	No
Future role and contribution of regional capitals to Australia	24.11.16	Interim*	No
Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin	29.11.18	Interim*	No
Identification of leading practices in ensuring evidence-based regulation of farm practices that impact water quality outcomes in the Great Barrier Reef	8.10.20	-	No
Policy, regulatory, taxation, administrative and funding priorities for Australian shipping	15.12.20	-	No
Performance of Australia’s dairy industry and the profitability of Australian dairy farmers since deregulation in 2000	18.3.21	-	No
Future of Australia’s aviation sector, in the context of COVID-19 and conditions post pandemic—Interim report	18.3.21	-	No
Inland Rail: derailed from the start	11.8.21	-	No
Without Trucks Australia Stops: the development of a viable, safe, sustainable and efficient road transport industry	25.8.21	-	No
Federal Government’s response to the drought, and the adequacy and appropriateness of policies and measures to support farmers, regional communities and the Australian economy	21.10.21	-	-

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Water Legislation Amendment (Inspector-General of Water Compliance and Other Measures) Act 2021	2.12.21	-	-
<b>Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee</b>			
Inquiry into the exemption of delegated legislation from parliamentary oversight—Interim report	2.12.20	18.11.21	No
<b>Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures—Senate Select</b>			
Second interim report	29.4.16	Interim*	No
Fourth interim report	3.5.16	Interim*	No
<b>Strengthening Multiculturalism—Senate Select</b>			
Ways of protecting and strengthening Australia’s multiculturalism and social inclusion	17.8.17	Interim*	No
<b>Tobacco Harm Reduction—Senate select</b>			
Report	18.12.20	-	No
<b>Temporary Migration—Senate select</b>			
Report	1.9.21	-	No
<b>Trade and Investment Growth—Joint Select</b>			
Inquiry into Australia’s Future in Research and Innovation	3.5.16 5.5.16 HoR	Interim*	No
Pivot: Diversifying Australia’s trade and investment profile	17.3.21 17.3.21 HoR	9.8.21 5.8.21 HoR	No
<b>Treaties—Joint Standing</b>			
189 <sup>th</sup> report: Capital Increase WBG IBRD; Capital Increase WBG IFC; Amendments CMS; Termination IPPA-Indonesia	6.8.20 25.8.20 HoR	Interim*	No
193 <sup>rd</sup> report: Strengthening the trade agreement and treaty-making process in Australia	31.8.21 26.8.21 HoR	-	No
196 <sup>th</sup> report: Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement	1.9.21 31.8.21 HoR	-	No



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197 <sup>th</sup> report: Minamata Convention on Mercury	1.9.21 1.9.21 HoR	23.11.21 22.11.21 HoR	Yes
<b>Unconventional Gas Mining—Senate Select</b>			
Interim report	4.5.16	Interim*	No