

PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

2015

INDEX OF BILLS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE

Legend:

NC = No concerns
AO = Advice only

RR = Response required

Bills considered	Action required	Report No.	Right(s)
A			
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Recognition (Sunset Extension) Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Acts and Instruments (Framework Reform) (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Aged Care (Accommodation Payment Security) Levy Amendment (Norfolk Island) Bill 2015	RR	22/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security
Aged Care Amendment (Independent Complaints Arrangements) Bill 2015	NC	26/44	
Aged Care Amendment (Red Tape Reduction in Places Management) Bill 2015	NC	32/44	
A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Amendment Bill 2015	RR	22/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security
Amending Acts 1980 to 1989 Repeal Bill 2015	NC	21/44	
Amending Acts 1990 to 1999 Repeal Bill 2015	NC	31/44	

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Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2014-2015	AO	20/44 23/44	Multiple rights
Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2014-2015	AO	20/44 23/44	Multiple rights
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 2) 2014-2015	NC	19/44	
Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Bill 2015	NC	26/44	
Australian Border Force Bill 2015	RR	22/44 37/44	Equality and non-discrimination; take part in public affairs; just and favourable conditions of work; privacy; fair trial; fair hearing; presumption of innocence; effective remedy; freedom of opinion and expression
Australian Centre for Social Cohesion Bill 2015	NC	19/44	
Australian Citizenship Amendment (Allegiance to Australia) Bill 2015	RR	25/44 36/44	Freedom of movement; right to a private life; protection of the family; take part in public affairs; liberty; non-refoulement; equality and non-discrimination; fair hearing and criminal process rights; prohibition against retrospective criminal laws; prohibition against double punishment; rights of children; work, social security; adequate standard of living; health; education, quality of law test; effective remedy
Australian Citizenship and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014	RR	18/44 24/44	Child to nationality; best interests of the child; child to be heard in judicial and administrative proceedings; fair hearing; take part in public affairs; freedom of movement; right to nationality; equality and non-discrimination; privacy
Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2015	NC	30/44	
Australian Defence Force Cover Bill 2015	NC	25/44	

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Australian Defence Force Superannuation Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Australian Government Boards (Gender Balanced Representation) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	25/44	
Australian Immunisation Register Bill 2015	RR	29/44 32/44	Privacy; fair trial
Australian Immunisation Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2015	RR	29/44 32/44	Privacy; fair trial
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Amendment Bill 2015	NC	31/44	
Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Amendment Bill 2015	NC	24/44	
Australian River Co. Limited Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Australian Securities and Investments Commission Amendment (Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee Abolition) Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Automotive Transformation Scheme Amendment (Securing the Automotive Component Industry) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	31/44	
Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Cargo) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
B			
Banking Laws Amendment (Unclaimed Money) Bill 2015	NC	26/44	
Biosecurity Bill 2014	AO	18/44	Life; freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; liberty and freedom from arbitrary detention; freedom of movement; fair trial; fair hearing; privacy; freedom of association; Rights of the child; an adequate standard of living; health; enjoy and benefit from culture; persons with disabilities

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Biosecurity (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2014	AO	18/44	Life; freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; liberty and freedom from arbitrary detention; freedom of movement; fair trial; fair hearing; privacy; freedom of association; Rights of the child; an adequate standard of living; health; enjoy and benefit from culture; persons with disabilities
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Primary Television Broadcasting Service) Bill 2015	NC	27/44	
C			
Charter of Budget Honesty Amendment (Intergenerational Report) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	21/44	
Civil Law and Justice (Omnibus Amendments) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donation Reform) Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Commonwealth Grants Commission Amendment (GST Distribution) Bill 2015 [PS]	AO	30/44	
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Country of Origin Food Labelling) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	19/44	
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Deregulatory and Other Measures) Bill 2015	NC	21/44	
Construction Industry Amendment (Protecting Witnesses) Bill 2015	AO	22/44	Privacy; fair trial
Copyright Amendment (Online Infringement) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 25/44	Freedom of opinion and expression; fair hearing
Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015	RR	32/44	Equality and non-discrimination; liberty; freedom of movement; fair trial; presumption of innocence; privacy; freedom of expression; freedom of association; protection of the family; prohibition on torture and cruel, inhuman or

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			degrading treatment; work; social security; adequate standard of living
Credit Repayment (Protecting Vulnerable Borrowers) Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	32/44	
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Harming Australians) Bill 2015 [PS]	RR	30/44	Fair trial
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Powers, Offences and Other Measures) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 24/44	Fair hearing; fair trial
Criminal Code Amendment (Animal Protection) Bill 2015 [PS]	RR	24/44 28/44	Fair trial, fair hearing
Criminal Code Amendment (Private Sexual Material) Bill 2015 [PM]	RR	30/44 33/44	Fair trial
Customs Amendment (Anti-dumping Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2015	NC	20/44	
Customs Amendment (China-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Customs Amendment (Fees and Charges) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Customs and Other Legislation Amendment (Australian Border Force) Bill 2015	NC	22/44	
Customs Depot Licensing Charges Amendment Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Customs Tariff Amendment (China-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Customs Tariff Amendment (Fuel Indexation) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Amendment Bill 2015	NC	20/44	

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D			
Defence Amendment (Fair Pay for Members of the ADF) Bill 2014 [PS]	NC	18/44	
Defence Legislation (Enhancement of Military Justice) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 26/44 32/44	Fair hearing; fair trial
Defence Legislation Amendment (First Principles) Bill 2015	NC	30/44	
Defence Legislation Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	20/44	
Defence Legislation Amendment (Superannuation and ADF Cover) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Defence Trade Controls Amendment Bill 2015	RR	20/44 23/44 26/44	Fair trial
Defence Legislation Amendment (Military Justice Enhancements—Inspector-General ADF) Bill 2014	RR	19/44 23/44	Fair trial
E			
Education Legislation Amendment (Overseas Debt Recovery) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Enhancing Online Safety for Children Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Enhancing Online Safety for Children Bill (Consequential Amendments) 2014	NC	18/44	

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Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Prohibition of Live Imports of Primates for Research) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	29/44	
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standing) Bill 2015	RR	27/44	Health; a healthy environment
Excess Exploration Credit Tax Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Excise Tariff Amendment (Fuel Indexation) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Export Control Amendment (Quotas) Bill 2015	NC	31/44	
F			
Fair Work Amendment (Bargaining Processes) Bill 2014	RR	19/44 23/44	Freedom of association; form trade unions
Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Fair Work Amendment (Penalty Rates Exemption for Small Businesses) Bill 2015 [PS]	RR	27/44 30/44	Just and favourable conditions of work; adequate standard of living; equality and non-discrimination
Fair Work Amendment (Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Location) Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	30/44	
Fair Work Amendment (Recovery of Unpaid Amounts for Franchisee Employees) Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	30/44	
Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2015	RR	25/44 37/44	Social security; work; maternity leave; equality and non-discrimination; adequate standard of living
Family Tax Benefit (Tighter Income Test) Bill 2014 [PS]	AO	18/44	Social security
Federal Courts Legislation Amendment Bill 2014	RR	18/44 19/44	Fair hearing

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Food Standards Australia New Zealand Amendment Bill 2015	NC	21/44	
Food Standards Australia New Zealand Amendment (Forum on Food Regulation and Other Measures) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Bill 2015	NC	27/44	
Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	NC	27/44	
Foreign Death Penalty Offences (Preventing Information Disclosure) Bill 2015 [PM]	RR	24/44	Life; freedom from arbitrary detention; fair trial
Freedom of Information Amendment (New Arrangements) Bill 2014	RR	18/44 25/44	Effective remedy
Fuel Indexation (Road Funding) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Fuel Indexation (Road Funding) Special Account Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
G			
Gambling Harm Reduction (Protecting Problem Gamblers and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [PM]	NC	18/44	
Gene Technology Amendment Bill 2015	NC	24/44	
Governance of Australian Government Superannuation Schemes Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	NC	21/44	
H			
Health and Other Services (Compensation) Care Charges Amendment (Norfolk Island) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 33/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security

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Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Specimen Collection Centres) Tax Amendment (Norfolk Island) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 33/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security
Health Insurance (Pathology) (Fees) Amendment (Norfolk Island) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 33/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security
Health Legislation Amendment (eHealth) Bill 2015	RR	29/44 32/44	Privacy; rights of the child; persons with disabilities; fair trial and fair hearing rights
Health Insurance Amendment (Safety Net) Bill 2015	RR	30/44	Social security; health
High Speed Rail Planning Authority Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	30/44	
Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2015	NC	30/44	
Higher Education Support Amendment (New Zealand Citizens) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	25/44	
Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP Reform) Bill 2015	NC	30/44	
I			
Imported Food Warning Labels Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	20/44	
Import Processing Charges Amendment Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Independent National Security Legislation Monitor (Improved Oversight and Resourcing) Bill 2014 [PS]	NC	18/44	
International Aid (Promoting Gender Equality) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	20/44	
L			

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Landholders' Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Law Enforcement Legislation Amendment (Powers) Bill 2015	AO	22/44	Fair trial
Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims Amendment Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
M			
Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	NC	28/44	
Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Amendment (Inter-State Voyages) Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	26/44	
Marriage Equality Plebiscite Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	27/44	
Marriage Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [PM]	AO	30/44	Equality and non-discrimination; freedom of religion; respect for family; rights of the child
Migration Amendment (Character and General Visa Cancellation) Bill 2014	RR	19/44 36/44	Non-refoulement; effective remedy; liberty; freedom of movement; freedom of association; freedom of opinion and expression; privacy
Migration Amendment (Charging for a Migration Outcome) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Migration Amendment (Complementary Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2015	RR	30/44	Non-refoulement obligations;
Migration Amendment (Maintaining the Good Order of Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2015	RR	20/44 24/44	Life; prohibition against torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; humane treatment in detention; freedom of assembly; effective remedy
Migration Amendment (Mandatory Reporting) Bill 2015	NC	30/44	
Migration Amendment (Regional Processing Arrangements) Bill 2015	RR	25/44	Prohibition against arbitrary detention, right to humane treatment in detention, right to

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			health, rights of the child, prohibition against degrading treatment
Migration Amendment (Strengthening Biometrics Integrity) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 25/44	Privacy; equality and non-discrimination; equality before the law; rights of the child
Migration Legislation Amendment (Cessation of Visa Labels) Bill 2015	NC	31/44	
Migration and Maritime Powers Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015	RR	30/44	Liberty; non-refoulement obligations; an effective remedy; freedom of movement; best interests of the child; right of the child to be heard in judicial and administrative proceedings; right of persons with disabilities
N			
National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Amendment Bill 2015	RR	20/44 23/44	Privacy
Norfolk Island Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	RR	22/44 32/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security
O			
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment (Designated Coastal Waters) Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Omnibus Repeal Day (Spring 2014) Bill 2014	RR	19/44 22/44	Equality and non-discrimination; equality and non-discrimination; self-determination; social security; adequate standard of living; privacy

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Omnibus Repeal Day (Autumn 2015) Bill 2015	RR	21/44 23/44	Equality and non-discrimination
Omnibus Repeal Day (Spring 2015) Bill 2015	RR	31/44	Equality and non-discrimination (rights of persons with disabilities)
P			
Parliamentary Expenses Amendment (Transparency and Accountability) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	26/44	
Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	26/44	
Privacy Amendment (Protecting Children from Paparazzi) Bill 2015 [PM]	RR	32/44	Freedom of expression
Private Health Insurance Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2014	NC	18/44	
Private Health Insurance (Risk Equalisation Levy) Amendment (Norfolk Island) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 33/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security
Public Governance and Resources Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015	NC	19/44	
Q			
Quarantine Charges (Imposition—General) Amendment Bill 2014	RR	18/44	Life; freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; liberty and freedom from arbitrary detention; freedom of movement; fair trial; fair hearing; privacy; freedom of association; Rights of the child; an adequate standard of living; health; enjoy and benefit from culture; persons with disabilities
Quarantine Charges (Imposition—Customs) Amendment Bill 2014	RR	18/44	Life; freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; liberty and freedom from arbitrary detention; freedom of movement; fair trial; fair hearing; privacy; freedom of association; Rights of the child; an adequate standard of living; health; enjoy and benefit from

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			culture; persons with disabilities
Quarantine Charges (Imposition—Excise) Amendment Bill 2014	RR	18/44	Life; freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment; liberty and freedom from arbitrary detention; freedom of movement; fair trial; fair hearing; privacy; freedom of association; Rights of the child; an adequate standard of living; health; enjoy and benefit from culture; persons with disabilities
R			
Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2014 [PS]	NC	18/44	
Register of Foreign Ownership of Agricultural Land Bill 2015	NC	27/44	
S			
Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Exit Arrangements) Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment (Improving the Comcare Scheme) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 25/44	Social security; health and a healthy environment; persons with disabilities to rehabilitation; fair hearing; work; just and favourable conditions at work; rehabilitation; adequate standard of living; equality and non-discrimination
Seafarers Rehabilitation and Compensation and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	RR	20/44 25/44	Social security
Sex Discrimination Amendment (Boosting Superannuation for Women) Bill 2014 [PM]	NC	18/44	
Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	RR	27/44 37/44	Just and favourable conditions of work
Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Consumer Lease Exclusion) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	25/44	

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Social Security Legislation Amendment (Debit Card Trial) Bill 2015	RR	27/44 31/44	Private life; equality and non-discrimination; social security
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Further Strengthening Job Seeker Compliance) Bill 2015	RR	29/44 32/44	Social security; adequate standard of living
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Job Seeker Compliance Framework) Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Social Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	RR	22/44 25/44	Social security
Social Services Legislation Amendment (No. 2) Bill 2015	AO	23/44	
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cost of Living Concession) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2015	RR	30/44 37/44	Social security; adequate standard of living
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Low Income Supplement) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2015	RR	33/44 37/44	Social Security
Social Services Legislation Amendment (More Generous Means Testing for Youth Payments) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Social Services Legislation Amendment (No Job, No Pay) Bill 2015	RR	29/44 37/44	Freedom of thought, conscience and religion
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment) Bill 2015	AO	29/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security; adequate standard of living; equality and non-discrimination
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment and Other Measures) Bill 2015	RR	24/44 28/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security; adequate standard of living; privacy
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Defined Benefit Income Streams) Bill 2015	AO	25/44	

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Statute Law Revision Bill (No. 2) 2015	NC	21/44	
Statute Law Revision Bill (No. 3) 2015	NC	31/44	
Student Loans (Overseas Debtors Repayment Levy) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Succession to the Crown Bill 2015	NC	20/44	
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Governance) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
T			
Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No .7) Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2015 Measures No. 2) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Tax Laws Amendment (Combating Multinational Tax Avoidance) Bill 2015	NC	29/44	
Tax Laws Amendment (Gifts) Bill 2015	NC	31/44	
Tax Laws Amendment (Small Business Measures No. 3) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2015 Measures No.4) Bill 2015	NC	27/44	
Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2015 Measures No. 5) Bill 2015	NC	30/44	
Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (Norfolk Island Reforms) Bill 2015	RR	22/44 33/44	Equality and non-discrimination; social security

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Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (Better Targeting the Income Tax Transparency Laws) Bill 2015	NC	27/44	
Treasury Legislation Amendment (Small Business and Unfair Contract Terms) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Trade Marks Amendment (Iconic Symbols of National Identity) Bill 2015 [PM]	NC	29/44	
Treasury Legislation Amendment (Repeal Day 2015) Bill 2015	NC	31/44	
Tribunals Amalgamation Bill 2014	NC	18/44	
V			
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (2015 Budget Measures) Bill 2015	NC	25/44	
Veterans' Entitlements Amendment (Expanded Gold Card Access) Bill 2015	NC	31/44	
Voice for Animals (Independent Office of Animal Welfare) Bill 2015 [PS]	NC	25/44	