



THE SENATE

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Safety Net) Bill 2023**

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Tuesday 18 July 2023**

**Parliament House, Committee Room 2S1**  
**Canberra**

Time	Witness
1.00 pm	<p><b>All via videoconference:</b> <b>Economic Justice Australia</b> (<i>Submission 21</i>) Ms Amy Schneider, Law Reform Officer</p> <p><b>Australian Council of Social Service</b> (<i>Submission 22</i>) Ms Edwina MacDonald, Acting Chief Executive Officer Tammy Wolffs, Senior Advisor Mx Sam Thomas, Lived Experience Expert</p> <p><b>Single Mother Families Australia</b> (<i>Submission 5</i>) Mrs Terese Edwards, Chief Executive Officer Dr Anne Summers, Policy Advisor</p>
1.45 pm	<p><b>All via videoconference:</b> <b>Anglicare Australia</b> (<i>Submission 1</i>) Ms Maiy Azize, Deputy Director</p> <p><b>Wesley Mission</b> (<i>Submission 19</i>) Mr David Allen, Executive Manager, Community and Family Care</p> <p><b>Anti-Poverty Network South Australia</b> (<i>Submission 11</i>) Ms Sara Walker, Coordinator Ms Jasmin Witham, Coordinator</p> <p><b>Antipoverty Centre</b> (<i>Submission 26</i>) Ms Kristen O'Connell, Communications and Research</p>
2.30 pm	<p><b>All via videoconference:</b> <b>Professor Gerry Redmond</b> (<i>Submission 14</i>)</p> <p><b>Dr John Hawkins</b> (<i>Submission 15</i>)</p> <p><b>Dr Elise Klein</b> (<i>Submission 24</i>)</p>

3.05 pm	<p><b>Department of Social Services</b> <i>(Submission 18)</i> Mr Matt Flavel, Deputy Secretary, Social Security Ms Jo Evans, Group Manager, Participation and Family Payments Mr Troy Sloan, Group Manager, Pensions, Housing and Homelessness Mr Ben Peoples, Branch Manager, Participation and Supplementary Payments</p> <p><b>Services Australia</b> Ms Juleigh Cook, National Manager, Disability Pension and Parenting Payments Ms Cathy Toze, General Manager, Working Age and Pension Programs</p> <p><b>Treasury</b> Mr Hamish McDonald, First Assistant Secretary, Social Policy Division</p>
4.00 pm	<b>Adjournment</b>