



THE SENATE

**EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**Universities Accord (Student Support and Other Measures) Bill 2024 [Provisions]**

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Tuesday 24 September 2024**

**Wilarra Room**  
**The Grace Hotel, 77 York Street, Sydney**

Time	Witness
9.00 am	<p><b>Group of Eight</b> (<i>Submission 40</i>) Dr Matthew Brown, Deputy Chief Executive</p> <p><b>Innovative Research Universities (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 29</i>) Mr Paul Harris, Executive Director</p> <p><b>Regional Universities Network</b> (<i>Submission 17</i>) Mr Alec Webb, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p><b>Universities Australia (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 42</i>) Mr Luke Sheehy, Chief Executive Officer</p>
9.45 am	<p><b>Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (via teleconference)</b> Ms Julianne Bryce, Senior Federal Professional Officer</p> <p><b>Australian Services Union</b> (<i>Submission 30</i>) Mr Angus McFarland, Branch Secretary, NSW and ACT (Services) Branch</p> <p><b>National Tertiary Education Union (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 45</i>) Dr Terri MacDonald, Director, Policy and Strategic Research Mr Kieran McCarron, Policy and Research Officer</p>
10.30 am	<p><b>The University of Adelaide and University of South Australia (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 25</i>) Professor John Williams, Provost and Acting Vice-Chancellor, The University of Adelaide Professor Joanne Cys, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, University of South Australia</p> <p><b>The University of Newcastle (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 47</i>) Professor Mark Hoffman, Deputy-Vice Chancellor (Academic) and Vice-President Dr Anna Bennett, Director, Pathways and Academic Learning Support Ms Jackie Taylor, Academic Division General Manager and Academic Registrar</p> <p><b>University of Tasmania</b> (<i>Submission 43</i>) Dr James Brann, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Student Equity and Success)</p>
11.15 am	<b>Break</b>

11.30 am	<p><b>Australian Youth Affairs Coalition (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 33</i>) Ms Kirsty Kain, National Policy and Advocacy Lead Ms Nellie Wotherspoon, Project Officer</p> <p><b>National Australian Pharmacy Students' Association (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 11</i>) Mr Sebastian Harper, National President</p> <p><b>National Union of Students (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 22</i>) Ms Ngaire Bogemann, National President</p>
12.15 pm	<p><b>Australian Medical Students' Association (via teleconference)</b> Mr Allen Xiao, President Ms Jade Guitera, Vice President External</p> <p><b>Australian Veterinary Association</b> (<i>Submission 20</i>) Dr Sally Colgan, President Dr Alice Marshall, Head of Public Affairs and Advocacy</p> <p><b>Occupational Therapy Australia (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 19</i>) Ms Michelle Oliver, General Manager, Occupational Therapy</p>
1.00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
2.00 pm	<p><b>Independent Tertiary Education Council Australia</b> (<i>Submission 49</i>) Mr Felix Pirie, Deputy Chief Executive, Policy and Research</p> <p><b>National Australian Apprenticeship Association</b> (<i>Submission 4</i>) Mr Ben Bardon, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p><b>Mr Andrew Norton</b> (<i>Submission 34</i>)</p>
2.45 pm	<p><b>Department of Education</b> (<i>Submission 50</i>) Ms Madonna Morton, First Assistant Secretary, Higher Education Division Ms Jessica Hartmann, Assistant Secretary, Governance and Funding Branch Ms Larissa Hinds, Assistant Secretary, Students and Provider Integrity Branch Mr Brett Nordstrom, Assistant Secretary, Tertiary Policy Branch</p> <p><b>Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 50</i>) Ms Anna Faithfull, Deputy Secretary, Skills and Training Ms Laura Angus, First Assistant Secretary, Careers, International, Defence and Assessment Ms Belinda Campbell, First Assistant Secretary, Apprenticeships and Foundation Skills Mr George Thiveos, First Assistant Secretary, Digital Projects, VSL and Compliance</p>
3.45 pm	<b>Adjournment</b>