



## PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

### MEDIA RELEASE

#### Senate Education and Employment Legislation Committee

### Education Legislation Amendment (Startup Year and Other Measures) Bill 2023

Issue date: 23 March 2023

#### Call for submissions

The Senate Education and Employment Legislation Committee is calling for submissions to its inquiry into the provisions of the Education Legislation Amendment (Startup Year and Other Measures) Bill 2023, by **14 April 2023**.

The Education Legislation Amendment (Startup Year and Other Measures) Bill 2023 (the bill) seeks to amend a number of Acts to:

- create a new loan, SY-HELP, which is designed to support students participating in accelerator program courses, as part of the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP);
- allow students participating in accelerator program courses who are entitled to SY-HELP assistance to potentially qualify for student social security payments;
- update funding caps for approved research programs, applying indexation to existing amounts and adding a new funding cap for the financial year beginning in July 2025; and
- include Avondale University as a Table B provider.

The committee is due to report on 28 April 2023.

If you would like to make a submission in relation this bill, you may find it helpful to read the guide to making a submission available on the Senate website: [Preparing a submission to an inquiry](#).

If you have questions about the inquiry, please contact the Education and Employment committee secretariat.

Further information about the inquiry is available on the committee's [website](#).

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23 March 2023

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#### SUBMISSIONS CLOSE

14 April 2023

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#### REPORTING DATE

28 April 2023

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