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Senate Standing Committees on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport  
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Dear Committee Chair

### **Australia's preparedness to host Commonwealth, Olympic and Paralympic Games**

I am writing today to make a formal submission to the above inquiry.

Q Shelter understands that on 30 March 2023, this matter was referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 1 September 2023, and submissions have been sought by 29 May 2023.

As part of our submission, we wish to introduce the committee to Q Shelter's work in planning for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games, with a focus on social inclusion and ensuring adequate and appropriate responsiveness to housing insecurity and homelessness.

Our report, which has been developed with well-known planners - Urbis, and on behalf of the Queensland housing and homelessness sector, looks at past Olympics and Paralympic Games as case studies, showcases innovation in our sector, and provides 52 recommendations for governments to consider across five key result areas, including as follows:

1. Reducing Homelessness and displacement
2. Increasing social and affordable housing
3. Ensuring housing and homelessness expertise exists within the legacy governance frameworks and structures
4. Ensuring employment opportunities and outcomes for the unemployed and underemployed, and
5. More overt data management and monitoring of the housing system in the lead up to, and beyond the 2032 Games.

The 'Go for Gold' report provides a practical and positive framework for government to engage with, both in terms of planning and preparedness, but also in terms of legacy benefits well beyond the games.

In addition to the submission, Q Shelter, and our peak body National Shelter, would welcome an opportunity to present at any future committee hearings on this topic, should they occur.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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C.c. Emma Greenhalgh, CEO - National Shelter

Encl: [Go for Gold: A social inclusion legacy for the 2032 Olympic & Paralympic Games](#)