

Australian Government

Australian Government response to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee report:

New Skilled Regional Visas (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2019 [Provisions]

APRIL 2024

Recommendations

Recommendation 1: The committee recommends that the Senate pass the bill, subject to resolution of the motion to disallow the Migration Amendment (New Skilled Regional Visas) Regulations 2019.

Response:

The Government **notes** this recommendation. However, given the passage of time since the report was tabled, a substantive Government response is no longer appropriate.

Australian Greens additional comments

Recommendation 1:

1.7 That disability services referred to by schedule 1, item 7 of this Bill be grandfathered for all Special Category Visas issued prior to enactment of this Bill.

Response:

The Government **notes** this recommendation. However, given the passage of time since the report was tabled, a substantive Government response is no longer appropriate.

Recommendation 2:

1.10 That the Government develops a comprehensive regional policy to support the settlement of migrants in rural and regional communities, which considers, inter alia, the needs of employees, employers, industries, public services and infrastructure, and broader regional communities.

Response:

The Government **notes** this recommendation. However, given the passage of time since the report was tabled, a substantive Government response is no longer appropriate.