

Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2005

On 9 March 2005, the Senate referred this bill to the Committee for inquiry and report by 15 March 2005. While the bill deals with a range of matters, matters targeted for special attention concern changes to merger authorisation procedures in Schedule 1. Also of interest are the collective bargaining and third-line forcing amendments in Schedules 3 and 7 respectively.

The Committee will be holding a public hearing regarding the bill on **Monday, 14 March 2005**. The hearing will commence at 4.30pm and will be held in Senate Committee Room 2S3, Parliament House, Canberra.

Representatives of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission and the Department of the Treasury will give evidence at the hearing.

The hearing program is available in another document posted on this web site.

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