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## BILLS

### A

#### [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs)—30 March 2017**

This bill will amend the *Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Elected Body Act 2008* to strengthen the functions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body to consult and provide advice on systemic or whole-of-government issues. The delineation of responsibility between the Elected Body and the ACT Government in the management of operational aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander policy and service provisions will also be clarified by the amendments. The bill will make amendments in relation to community forums and harmonise the Act with the Heritage Act 2004.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 8](#)

#### [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs)—  
20 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Elected Body Act 2008* to enable broadcasting of the public hearings of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body (ATSIEB). The bill also imposes timeframes on both the ATSIEB and the Government in relation to the presentation of reports and Government responses to those reports. Amendments to the Act will also include imposing a 'caretaker

period' in the lead-up to an ATSIEB election. The bill also recognises the ability for the ATSIEB to provide advice to ministers about the views of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)

#### [ACT Teacher Quality Institute Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Berry (Minister for Education and Early Childhood Development)—6 June 2019**

This bill will amend the *ACT Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010* and the *ACT Teacher Quality Institute Regulation 2010*. The amendments will ensure the quality of the ACT's teacher workforce and build a workforce that meets the needs of ACT school children into the future. The amendments include, requiring pre-service teachers to apply for approval with the ACT Teacher Quality Institute to undertake professional experience in a school in the ACT during pre-service teacher education, authorising the Institute to provide pre-service teacher information to principals and universities and authorising the Institute to collect data about the current workforce profile of teachers to inform teacher workforce planning.

- [Scrutiny Report 32](#)

#### [Adoption Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Children, Youth and Families)—23 July 2020**

This bill will amend the *Adoption Act 1993* by changing the current provisions that are used by the Court when considering whether to dispense with the requirement for parental consent for an adoption and by including provisions to place the best interests of the child or young person at the centre of decision-making about dispensing with parental consent. The bill will also change the residency requirement that is currently set out in the Act for adoption orders that relate to an adult prospective adoptee.

- [Scrutiny Report 48](#)

#### [Animal Diseases Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—7 June 2018**

This bill will make a number of amendments to the *Animal Diseases Act 2005* and the *Animal Diseases Regulation 2006*. This bill will extend the use of the National Livestock Identification System to include owners of cattle, sheep, goats and pigs, which will improve biosecurity in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 20](#)

#### [Animal Welfare Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for City Services)—16 May 2019**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws relating to animal management and welfare in the Territory to strengthen the legislation and improve the quality of life for animals.

- [Scrutiny Report 31](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 32](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 32](#)

[Anti-corruption and Integrity Commission Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Coe—6 June 2018**

The purpose of this bill is to establish an ACT-specific integrity body, the Anti-corruption and Integrity Commission (the Commission). The Commission's functions will be to investigate corruption issues, matters referred to the Commission by the Legislative Assembly, and matters involving serious or systemic corruption.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 29](#)

[Appropriation Bill 2017-2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—6 June 2017**

This bill will appropriate money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2017.

- [Scrutiny Report 7 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Appropriation Bill 2017-2018 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—15 February 2018**

This bill will appropriate additional money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2017.

- [Scrutiny Report 15 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Appropriation Bill 2018-2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—5 June 2018**

This bill will appropriate money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2018.

- [Scrutiny Report 19 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Appropriation Bill 2019-2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—4 June 2019**

This bill will appropriate money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2019.

- [Scrutiny Report 32 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Appropriation Bill 2019-2020 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—13 February 2020**

This bill will appropriate additional money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year 2019-2020.

- [Scrutiny Report 40 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Appropriation \(Office of the Legislative Assembly\) Bill 2017-2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—6 June 2017**

This bill will appropriate money for expenditure in relation to the Office of the Legislative Assembly and officers of the Assembly for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2017.

- [Scrutiny Report 7 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Appropriation \(Office of the Legislative Assembly\) Bill 2017-2018 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—15 February 2018**

This bill will appropriate additional money for the purposes of the Office of the Legislative Assembly for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2017.

- [Scrutiny Report 15 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

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This bill will appropriate money for expenditure in relation to the Office of the Legislative Assembly and officers of the Assembly for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2018.

- [Scrutiny Report 19 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

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**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—4 June 2019**

This bill will appropriate money for expenditure in relation to the Office of the Legislative Assembly and officers of the Assembly for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2019.

- [Scrutiny Report 32 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

**B**[Betting Operations Tax Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—2 August 2018**

This bill establishes a new tax that will be payable by betting operators that accept bets from, or provide services to, people located in the ACT, regardless of where the operator may be based. This bill will amend the *Taxation Administration Act 1999* so that the general tax administration and enforcement provisions of that Act will apply.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)

[Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—29 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997* and the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Regulation 1998* to provide birth parents the right to choose whether to register a fetus as a stillborn child where it showed no sign of heartbeat before reaching 20 weeks' gestation but was born during or after 20 weeks' gestation.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)

#### [Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—23 July 2020**

This bill will amend the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997* by removing certain barriers for trans, intersex and gender diverse young people when changing their given name or particulars about gender identity to better reflect their gender identities and enable the obtaining of an updated birth certificate or a recognised details certificate. The bill also introduces provisions to allow the Registrar-General to issue integrated birth certificates to enable individuals, who were born in the ACT and adopted, to apply for a birth certificate that includes the details of both birth parents and adoptive parents. Provisions in the bill will also permit, in some situations, for the issuing of integrated birth certificates where a person born overseas is adopted in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 48](#)

#### [Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration \(Tissue Donor Acknowledgment\) Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne—19 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997* to provide opportunities for families of a person who has donated tissue, while living or on death, to have the donation formally acknowledged.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 40](#)

#### [Building and Construction Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—30 November 2017**

This bill will amend the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004* by expanding the information sharing provisions about public safety to non-Territory agencies. The bill also amends the Electricity Safety Act 9171 and the Electricity Safety Regulation 2004 to create a concept of the electrical wiring rules which provides for incorporating provisions and requirements not included in the relevant Australian and New Zealand standard.

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 15](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 15](#)

#### [Building and Construction Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Minister for Building Quality Improvement)—24 October 2019**

This bill amends a number of Territory laws to improve and refine the operation of the laws. The amendments will ensure public protections in the laws operate effectively and people involved in construction licences are accountable for work associated with their licence. The bill will also implement provisions that relate to the ACT Government's *Improving the ACT Building Regulatory System* reform program and a National Review of Security of Payment Laws.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)

[Building and Construction Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Minister for Building Quality Improvement)—21 May 2020**

This bill will amend the *Building Act 2004*, the *Building (General) Regulation 2008* and the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2001* by implementing provisions relating to the ACT Building Regulatory System reform program. The bill also introduces a new administrative power for the responsible Minister for the functions of the Construction Occupations Registrar to make a statement of expectations in relation to the Registrar's functions. A number of minor and technical amendments to building laws will also be made by this bill.

- [Scrutiny Report 43](#)

**C**[Canberra Institute of Technology Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Vocational Education and Skills)—29 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Canberra Institute of Technology Act 1987* by substituting references to "institute" with CIT and to align language in the Act to better reflect CIT's established policies. The amendments will also reduce the minimum number of board members, discontinue ACT Government board member appointments and revise board membership eligibility criteria.

- [Scrutiny Report 26 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Casino and Other Gaming Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—10 May 2018**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to create a high level of transparency in decisions relating to the Casino including the establishment of a Casino Advisory Panel, a new regulation to set out requirements for social impact assessments, and a new gaming machine licence condition to ensure harm minimisation measures applicable to casino gaming machines cannot be circumvented.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Casino \(Electronic Gaming\) Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—24 August 2017**

This bill will establish a regulatory framework for the introduction of electronic gaming products in the casino, subject to redevelopment occurring. Requirements for the casino includes undertaking a Social Impact Assessment before being issued a gaming machine authorisation certificate, forfeiting one in every three gaming machines acquired and limits the number of machines to 200 and Fully Automated Table Games (FATG) to 60.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 10](#)

[Cemeteries and Crematoria Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for City Services)—28 November 2019**

This bill will provide a financially sustainable model for management of cemeteries and crematoria that recognises, and provides for, the diverse needs of the community by; recognising the rights of people to dignified and respectful treatment of their human remains and the remains of their loved ones; respecting diverse burial, cremation and internment practices, cultural practices and religious beliefs of people; and promoting financially sustainable facilities and practices for burying and cremating human remains. The bill will also create a framework to ensure that community needs and preferences in particular religious and cultural needs, can be met.

- [Scrutiny Report 38](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 39](#)

[Children and Young People Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Disability, Children and Youth)—10 May 2018**

This bill will amend the *Children and Young People Act 2008* to clarify requirements for commencing a care and protection appraisal for matters involving allegations of abuse or neglect of a child. This bill will also consolidate responsible person delegations and enable sub-delegation within an approved care and protection organisation. A number of technical and consequential amendments to the Act will also be made by this bill.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[City Renewal Authority and Suburban Land Agency Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—30 March 2017**

This bill will establish a City Renewal Authority and a Suburban Land Agency and outline the role and responsibilities of each entity. The bill will also make consequential amendments to a number of ACT laws as a result of the establishment of the entities.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 6](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 6](#)

[City Renewal Authority and Suburban Land Agency Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Berry (Minister for Housing and Suburban Development)—30 October 2018**

This bill will amend the *City Renewal Authority and Suburban Land Agency Act 2017* to ensure that former Land Development Agency assets, contracts and liabilities are correctly transferred to either the City Renewal Authority or the Suburban Land Agency.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)

[City Renewal Authority and Suburban Land Agency Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—13 August 2020**

This bill will amend the *City Renewal Authority and Suburban Land Agency Act 2017* by including provisions in the Act to facilitate the process for revitalising the Sydney and Melbourne Buildings located within the City Renewal Precinct.

- [Scrutiny Report 49](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 50](#)

#### [Civil Law \(Wrongs\) \(Child Abuse Claims Against Unincorporated Bodies\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—16 August 2018**

This bill will amend the *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002* to implement recommendation 94 of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in its *Report on Redress and Civil Litigation*. This bill will enable an unincorporated body to nominate an entity to act as the defendant in a proceeding for a child abuse claim, allow a court to make an order to appoint a related trust as a defendant to a child abuse claim and allow trustees to apply trust property to meet liability for child abuse.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 22](#)

#### [Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction \(Principal Target\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—16 August 2018**

This bill will amend the *Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act 2010* to bring forward the principal target date for achieving net zero emissions from 30 June 2050 to 30 June 2045.

- [Scrutiny Report 21 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction \(Renewable Electricity Target\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—16 May 2019**

This bill will amend the *Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act 2010* to enable an ongoing 100 percent renewable electricity target post-2020. The bill also allows the Minister to provide a clear summary of progress against the renewable energy targets in the Minister's annual report.

- [Scrutiny Report 31 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Commercial Arbitration Bill 2016](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—15 December 2016**

This bill will repeal the *Commercial Arbitration Act 1986* and replace it with legislation that provides for fair and final resolution of commercial disputes by impartial tribunals without unnecessary delay or expense.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 4](#)

#### [Confiscation of Criminal Assets \(Unexplained Wealth\) Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—20 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Confiscation of Criminal Assets Act 2003* to allow for the restraint and, ultimately, the forfeiture of property by a person connected to a serious criminal offence, where that person cannot show their wealth was acquired lawfully. The unexplained wealth scheme created by this bill will provide for two types of orders, unexplained wealth restraining orders and unexplained wealth orders.



- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 44](#)

#### [Consumer Protection Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—29 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Eggs (Labelling and Sale) Act 2001*, the *Fair Trading (Fuel Prices) Act 1993* and the *Animal Welfare Act 1992* by improving consumer protection to ensure consumers are provided clear and accurate information when purchasing free-range eggs and fuel. The bill will also update the Territory's regulation of free-range eggs and create the new *Eggs (Labelling and Sale) Regulation 2018*. Changes to the Territory's regulation of the display of fuel price boards are also included in the bill.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)

#### [Controlled Sports Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Berry (Minister for Sport and Recreation)—29 November 2018**

This bill will establish a legislative framework to update regulations on combat sports events operating in the ACT. The bill will improve safety for contestants and promote integrity and replace the *Boxing Control Act 1993*.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 26](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 28](#)

#### [Co-operatives National Law \(ACT\) Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—16 February 2017**

This bill will repeal the *Cooperatives Act 2002* and replace it with a uniform national law in relation to co-operatives. The new legislation includes mutual recognition provisions, clarifies governance provisions and reduces reporting provision for smaller co-operatives.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 4](#)

#### [Coroners Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—13 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Coroners Act 1997* by including provisions to better meet the needs of families who find themselves within a coronial process. The bill also amends the Act by making it easier for the Coroners Court to implement restorative approaches in its daily practice.

- [Scrutiny Report 40 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Courts and Other Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—22 February 2018**

This bill will amend a number of ACT statutes by facilitating access to justice by introducing efficiency measures to reduce time required and red tape for people involved in litigation. The bill will introduce measures to assist courts to better administer their procedures and cases to ensure fair outcomes and will also introduce changes to how oaths and affirmations are administered.

- [Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Courts and Other Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—2 August 2018**

This bill will amend the *ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 2008*, *Court Procedures Act 2004*, *Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1990*, *Magistrates Court Act 1930*, and *Supreme Court Act 1933*. The bill's primary set of amendments will increase the retirement age of Magistrates, the ACAT President, and the Director of Public Prosecutions from 65 to 70.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)

[Courts \(Fair Work and Work Safety\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—22 August 2019**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to support the instigation and conduct of fair work proceedings in the Magistrates Court and facilitate the trial of corporations for industrial manslaughter under the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 35](#)

[COVID-19 Emergency Response Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—2 April 2020**

This bill will introduce changes to the Territory's legislative framework to enable the Government and the community to deal with the current COVID-19 public health emergency and will also give urgent effect to Commonwealth agreements.

- [Scrutiny Report 41](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 51](#)

[COVID-19 Emergency Response Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—7 May 2020**

This bill will make amendments to a number of Territory laws to enable the implementation of further responses to the current COVID-19 pandemic as well as the implementation of strategies to prevent further spread of COVID-19.

- [Scrutiny Report 42](#)

[COVID-19 Emergency Response Legislation Amendment Bill 2020 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—18 June 2020**

This bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to support the conduct of a safe, fair and inclusive 2020 ACT election. The bill will expand the eligibility criteria for pre-poll voters, support the Electoral Commission's deployment of an overseas electronic voting solution and support the Commission's deployment of a telephone voting system for eligible ACT electors who are blind and vision impaired or have a physical disability. The bill will also repeal a section of the *Supreme Court Act 1933* relating to the conduct of jury trials which was inserted into the Act during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- [Scrutiny Report 45 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Crimes \(Anti-Consorting\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Hanson—20 February 2019**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to prevent consorting between defined persons. The bill will affect consorting with persons already convicted of criminal behaviour, apply once an official warning has been issued, and apply outside legitimate purposes for a limited time.

- [Scrutiny Report 28](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 30](#)

[Crimes \(Consent\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Le Couteur—11 April 2018**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to clarify the law of consent in sexual offences, intimate image abuse offences and child sex offences to provide improved outcomes for victims and the community.

- [Scrutiny Report 17](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 30](#)

[Crimes \(Criminal Organisation Control\) Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Hanson—1 November 2017**

This bill will provide for a criminal organisation control regime to prevent, disrupt and deter the operations of any organised criminal organisations.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 30](#)

[Crimes \(Disrupting Criminal Gangs\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—24 October 2019**

This bill amends a number of Territory laws to introduce a range of measure to improve public order and safety, including; introducing new tiered offences of serious affray; amending the penalties for offences of fighting and offensive behaviours; and increasing maximum penalties for specified offences committed in connection with a criminal group or committed by a person associated with a criminal group.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 38](#)

#### [Crimes \(Food or Drink Spiking\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—24 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to introduce offences of food or drink spiking.

- [Scrutiny Report 9 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Crimes \(Fortification Removal\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—30 November 2017**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to introduce a fortification removal scheme in the ACT. The bill also prohibits the establishment of fortifications on certain premises.

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 14](#)

#### [Crimes \(Intimate Image Abuse\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Hanson—7 June 2017**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to create a new offence for people who distribute an intimate image of another person without consent.

- [Scrutiny Report 7](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 30](#)

#### [Crimes \(Invasion of Privacy\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Le Couteur—2 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to address a number of criminal justice legislation matters that have arisen in the ACT through advancements in technology and associated cultural changes.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 30](#)

#### [Crimes \(Offences Against Frontline Community Service Providers\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mrs Jones—23 October 2019**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to define a number of offences as aggravated offences if an offence is committed against a frontline community service provider in certain circumstances.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)

[Crimes \(Offences Against Vulnerable People\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—7 May 2020**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* and the *Crimes (Sentencing) Act 2005* to define the definition of vulnerable person. The bill also creates three new offences intended to protect vulnerable people from abuse and creates a new sentencing consideration for the courts.

- [Scrutiny Report 42](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 48](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 48](#)

[Crimes \(Police Powers and Firearms Offence\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—31 October 2017**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to provide a specific offence to capture the conduct of drive-by shooting. Provisions in the bill will also provide police with statutory power to establish and control a crime scene.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 13](#)

[Crimes \(Protection of Police, Firefighters and Paramedics\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Gentlemen (Minister for Police and Emergency Services)—22 October 2019**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to create new offences for assaults against police officers, firefighters and paramedics; intentionally or recklessly driving at a police officer and exposing a police officer to a risk to safety; and driving at and causing damage to a police vehicle.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 37](#)

[Crimes \(Restorative Justice\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—23 August 2018**

This bill will amend the *Crimes (Restorative Justice) Act 2004* to improve access to restorative justice in the ACT which will provide a greater capacity for victims of crime to navigate the criminal justice system.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2016](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—15 December 2016**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to improve ACT Policing's ability to manage the Child Sex Offenders register. The amendments will also address a number of technical issues with robbery and burglary prosecutions and clarify rules for licensed firearms dealers.

- [Scrutiny Report 2 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Corrections)—14 February 2017**

This bill will amend the *Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005* and the *Crimes (Sentencing) Act 2005* to retrospectively delegate certain Director-General functions to ACT Corrective Services officers who have responsibility for the supervision of an offender on an Intensive Correction Order.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—30 November 2017**

This bill will amend a number of the Territory's criminal laws to implement recommendations made by the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. The bill will also allow circle sentencing to occur in the Childrens' Court, amend the offence of incitement and provide that an offender cannot be concurrently subject to a good behavior order and a parole order.

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—20 September 2018**

This bill will amend a number of criminal laws to improve the operation and efficiency of the criminal justice system. These amendments include, clarification that warrants under the *Crimes (Child Sex Offenders) Act 2005* are issued by a magistrate, rather than the Magistrates Court, extending the ability to issue warrants to an associate judge of the Supreme Court and increasing the monetary value of a penalty unit for offences.

- [Scrutiny Report 22 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—16 May 2019**

This bill will amend a range of criminal laws to improve the operation and efficiency of the criminal justice system. These amendments will include providing that the sale and consumption of low THC hemp seeds as food will not be subject to criminal offences and clarifying the original policy intent for the definitions of choke, strangle and suffocate in the *Crimes Act 1900*.

- [Scrutiny Report 31](#)

**D**[Disability Services Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Disability)—30 October 2018**

This bill will amend the *Disability Services Act 1991* to provide the Official Visitors for Disability Services with improved access to monitor and investigate the welfare of potentially vulnerable persons in disability accommodation.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)

[Discrimination Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Minister for Social Inclusion and Equality) and Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—1 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* to strengthen protections against discrimination for students and employees/contractors in educational institutions conducted for religious purposes. The bill also provides a limited exception for educational institutions conducted for religious purposes to discriminate against employees, contractors and students on admission, but only on the grounds of religious conviction and not other protected attributes such as sexuality.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)

[Domestic Animals \(Dangerous Dogs\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Lawder—28 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* by providing a greater obligation on dog owners to manage dogs in a safe and responsible manner.

- [Scrutiny Report 26 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 26](#)

[Domestic Animals \(Dangerous Dogs\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Coe—1 November 2017**

This bill will amend the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* and the *Domestic Animals Regulation 2001* to strengthen laws in relation to dangerous dogs in the community.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)

[Domestic Animals \(Dangerous Dogs\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Lawder—24 October 2018**

This bill will amend the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* and the *Domestic Animals Regulation 2001*. The bill will create clear accountability measures such as requiring Domestic Animal Services to inform the victim, dog owner and responsible Minister of the outcome of an investigation of a dog attack within 14 days of its completion and requiring the registrar to collect data and document an investigation.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)

[Domestic Animals \(Disqualified Keepers Register\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Lawder—23 October 2019**

This bill will amend the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* to put mechanisms in place to ensure that a person found to be disqualified of keeping animals is adhering to the conditions of the disqualification.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)

[Domestic Animals \(Racing Greyhounds\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—2 November 2017**

This bill will amend the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* by adding provisions that outline the obligations attached to those who own or have day-to-day control of greyhounds that are involved, or are intended to be involved, in greyhound racing outside the ACT. The bill also makes amendments to the *Domestic Animals Regulation 2001* by including additional information to be required for racing greyhound registrations, and the information that will be provided on certificates of registration. The bill also proposes amendments to the *Animal Welfare Act 1992* to make it an offence to conduct, or facilitate the conduct of, greyhound racing in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)

[Domestic Animals Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—22 March 2018**

This bill will amend a number of the Territory's laws to provide consistency in the management, care and control of all dogs in the ACT, including greyhounds kept in the ACT for racing in other jurisdictions.

- [Scrutiny Report 16](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 17](#)

[Drugs of Dependence \(Personal Cannabis Use\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Pettersson—28 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* to allow for the personal use and carrying of cannabis up to a limit of 50 grams. The bill will also allow individuals to grow up to four cannabis plants, excluding artificial crop growing.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 34](#)

## E

[Education Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Berry (Minister for Education and Early Childhood Development)—26 October 2017**

This bill will amend the *Education Act 2004* to provide a one step process for home education registration. The bill also proposes that information required to support an application for registration, or renewal, may be prescribed by Regulation. Further, the bill includes provisions to make it clear that the Act does not intend to allow for home education registration of children who do not live in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- Committee considered amendments in [Scrutiny Report 35](#), [Scrutiny Report 36](#) and [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 37](#)



[Education Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Ms Berry (Minister for Education and Early Childhood Development)—23 July 2020**

This bill will amend the *Education Act 2004* and the *Education Regulation 2005* by providing clarity to the roles and responsibilities of people carrying a duty of care to children and young people in schools, and ensuring that the most vulnerable students are protected by implementing a recommendation from the *Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse*. The bill will strengthen the Government's ability to enforce the attendance of non-ACT residents enrolled in ACT schools. The bill also enables parental and local citizen engagement on school boards, where a school does not have a current parent and citizen arrangement.

- [Scrutiny Report 48](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 50](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 50](#)

[Education \(Child Safety in Schools\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Ms Berry (Minister for Education and Early Childhood Development)—29 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *ACT Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010*, the *Education Act 2004* and the *Education Regulation 2005* to clarify the roles and responsibilities of people responsible for children and young people in ACT schools. The bill will strengthen the reporting requirements in the *Teacher Quality Institute Act 2010* and ensure that teachers maintain a working with vulnerable people registration in order to teach. Provisions included in the bill will begin the implementation of the Government's commitments as a consequence of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)

[Electoral Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—29 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to prohibit property developers and close associates giving gifts to political entities and will place a prohibition on political entities accepting such gifts. The bill also amends the definition of gift and amends the timeframe for reporting of gifts received over the \$1 000 threshold.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 27](#) and [Scrutiny Report 50](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 27](#)
- Committee considered amendments in [Scrutiny Report 28](#) and [Scrutiny Report 48](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 30](#) and [Scrutiny Report 50](#)

[Electoral Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—26 September 2019**

This bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* and the *Public Unleased Land Act 2013*. The amendments include allowing voters to enrol to vote in an election up to and including on election day, require the full given name and surname of a person and the name of an entity (where electoral matter is published on behalf of an entity) to be shown in an authorisation statement, and allows an authorised person to immediately remove electoral advertising signs from public unleased land, where the signs are not compliant with statutory requirements, without providing prior notice to the owner of the sign.

- [Scrutiny Report 36](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 38](#)

#### [Electricity Feed-in \(Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—14 September 2017**

This bill will amend the *Electricity Feed-in (Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation) Act 2011* and the *Electricity Feed-in (Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation) Regulation 2017* to prescribe matters the Minister must consider when confirming an FiT entitlement surrender. The bill will also provide for the Minister to oversee the amount(s) that the ACT electricity distributor passes on to ACT electricity retailers as compensation for the FiT support payments. In addition, the bill will enable the Minister to require the electricity distributor to commission an audit of the FiT support payment information provided by the distributor.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)

#### [Electricity Feed-in \(Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—19 September 2019**

This bill will amend the *Electricity Feed-in (Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation) Act 2011* to replace the fixed 650 MW limit in the Act with a limit determined by the Minister by disallowable instrument.

- [Scrutiny Report 36 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Electricity Feed-in \(Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation\) Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—27 August 2020**

This bill will amend the *Electricity Feed-in (Large-scale Renewable Energy Generation) Act 2011* to disapply certain provisions that would otherwise delay the granting of feed-in tariff (FiT) entitlements to give effect to the outcomes of the renewables Auction 5. The amendments will enable the Minister to grant FiT entitlements to the auction winners immediately, rather than waiting for the day after the sixth sitting day after the relevant capacity release documentation is presented to the Assembly.

- [Scrutiny Report 51](#)

#### [Electricity Feed-in \(Renewable Energy Premium\) Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—4 June 2020**

This bill will amend the *Electricity Feed-in (Renewable Energy Premium) Act 2008* to include provisions to allow electricity distributors to pass on reasonable costs of administering the ACT Small and Medium-scale Feed-in Tariff Scheme to eligible entities. The amendments also strengthen the legislative requirements for data collection and record keeping.

- [Scrutiny Report 44](#)

[Electronic Conveyancing National Law \(ACT\) Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—20 February 2020**

This bill will apply a national law to provide for electronic conveyancing in the Territory and will allow Canberrans to receive the benefit of best practice land titling processes. Electronic conveyancing will also increase protections against fraudulent dealings.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- Government response in [Scrutiny Report 41](#) and [Scrutiny Report 44](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 41](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 41](#)

[Emergencies Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Police and Emergency Services)—25 October 2018**

This bill will amend the *Emergencies Act 2004* to enhance clarity and operation of the Act, particularly in relation to the functions of the Security and Emergency Management Senior Officials Group, emergency sub-plans and the application of the Act during an emergency situation.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 26](#)

[Emergencies Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Police and Emergency Services)—20 August 2020**

This bill will amend the *Emergencies Act 2004* and a number of other Territory Acts to implement recommendations from the whole of ACT Government review of the effectiveness of the response to the 2019-20 bushfire season. The amendments contained in the bill primarily relate to the appointment of an emergency controller as well as the functions and powers of that position.

- [Scrutiny Report 50](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 51](#)

[Employment and Workplace Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—18 June 2020**

This bill will amend the *Workers Compensation Act 1951* by modernising provisions of the Act that deal with insurer and self-insurer approval to ensure workers can expect a consistent standard of service, regardless of whether their employer has a workers' compensation insurance policy or is self-insured. The bill will also amend the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* by inserting a new power on exercising a right of entry at a workplace. The *Public Sector Management Act 1994* will also be amended by this bill to align it with ACT Public Sector Enterprise Agreements in relation to merit and selection principles. Structure and technical amendments will also be made to the *Dangerous Goods (Road Transport) Act 2009*.

- [Scrutiny Report 45](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 46](#)

[Energy Efficiency \(Cost of Living\) Improvement Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—15 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Energy Efficiency (Cost of Living) Improvement Act 2012* to extend and enhance the operation of the Energy Efficiency Improvement Scheme. The amendments include defining the energy savings obligation as an energy metric instead of the current greenhouse gas emissions metric, amending how eligible classes of priority households are determined and allowing the scheme to offer transport activities.

- [Scrutiny Report 34 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Evidence \(Miscellaneous Provisions\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—24 September 2019**

This bill will amend the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991* and the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulation 2009*. The bill will establish the legislative framework for the use of intermediaries and ground rules hearings in criminal proceedings, which will include requiring intermediaries to be appointed for all child complainants in sexual offence proceedings and all child witnesses in homicide proceedings, subject to some exceptions.

- [Scrutiny Report 36](#)

**F**

[Family and Personal Violence Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—16 February 2017**

This bill will amend the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991*, the *Family Violence Act 2016* and the *Personal Violence Act 2016* to address a number of procedural issues contained in those Acts and to reduce red tape to facilitate streamlined family violence and personal protection order schemes.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 4](#)

[Financial Management Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—19 March 2019**

This bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to make provisions for a capital works reserve as a mechanism for improving the accuracy of budget estimates and performance of the Territory's capital works program.

- [Scrutiny Report 29 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Financial Management Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—4 June 2020**

This bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to enable the increase of appropriation allowed under the Act during the 2020-2021 supply period from 50 to 100 percent of the 2019-2020 Territory budget. This is required due to the delay in presentation of the 2020-2021 Budget as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- [Scrutiny Report 44 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Firearms Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Police and Emergency Services)—30 March 2017**

This bill will amend the *Firearms Act 1996* by reclassifying lever action shotguns with a magazine capacity of up to and more than five rounds.

- [Scrutiny Report 5 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Firearms and Prohibited Weapons Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Police and Emergency Services)—14 September 2017**

This bill makes amendments to improve the operations of firearms and prohibited weapons legislation to allow for better administration of the legislation and greater access to firearms for legitimate users under specified circumstances.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 13](#)

[Firearms Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Police and Emergency Services)—13 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Firearms Act 1996*, the *Firearms Regulation 2008* and the *Prohibited Weapons Act 1996* to allow aviation security inspectors to carry fake weapons including imitation firearms and prohibited weapons in order to test airport security. The bill also exempts participants, coaches and officials of biathlon or modern pentathlon from the requirement to obtain a permit for their laser target shooting devices used for the participation in their sport.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)

[Fisheries Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—16 May 2019**

This bill will amend the *Fisheries Act 2000*, *Fisheries Regulation 2001*, *Pest Plants and Animals Act 2005* and the *Nature Conservation Act 2014*. The bill will update important aspects of fisheries management such as aquaculture and cultural fishing by Aboriginal people, and improve provisions associated with environmental protection, sustainable recreational fishing, compliance and enforcement and commercial trade.

- [Scrutiny Report 31](#)

[Freedom of Information Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—1 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* to improve and streamline processing of freedom of information access applications and reviews, and to provide greater flexibility in managing workflows, which includes allowing respondent agencies to manage situations where they are not able to contact an applicant to clarify the scope of the information sought, or to confirm that an applicant wishes to proceed where an estimate of fees has been issued.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 35](#)

#### [Fuels Rationing Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—29 November 2018**

This bill will establish a framework for approving, implementing and enforcing fuel rationing measures in the unlikely event of a fuel shortage.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 28](#)

## G

#### [Gaming Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney General)—1 November 2018**

This bill will amend a number of Territory statutes to reduce the number of gaming machine authorisations, establish stronger gambling harm protections, and to develop a stronger clubs sector.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)

#### [Gaming Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney General)—4 April 2019**

This bill will amend the *Gambling and Racing Control Act 1999* and the *Gaming Machine Act 2004*. The bill will establish a Diversification and Sustainability Support Fund. It will provide for governance arrangements and requires industry contributions to the Fund based on the number of gaming machine authorisations held and also provides the framework for mandatory training requirements for club boards, executives and staff.

- [Scrutiny Report 30](#)

#### [Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—3 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 2004* to improve the community's access to Social Impact Assessments and to provide support to small and medium clubs and club groups through a gaming machine taxation rebate and reduced administrative burden.

- [Scrutiny Report 8 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—20 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 2004* and the *Gaming Machine Regulation 2004* to implement the findings and conclusions of the *Gaming Machine Tax Rebate Statutory Review Report* and continue the gaming machine tax scheme with some additional measures for small and medium clubs or club groups. The bill also makes changes to the rebate to improve its operation and effectiveness.

- [Scrutiny Report 40 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Gaming Machine \(Cash Facilities\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—3 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 2004* and the *Gaming Machine Regulation 2004* to limit clubs in the Territory to one EFTPOS facility where a person can withdraw cash at the premises. The bill will also limit the amount of cash able to be withdrawn from an EFTPOS facility to \$200 and sets rules in relation to staff operating the EFTPOS facility.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 9](#)

[Gene Technology Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Health)—30 March 2017**

This bill will amend the *Gene Technology Act 2003* and the *Gene Technology Regulation 2004* to align the ACT's laws with Commonwealth, State and Territory legislation to ensure a nationally consistent regulatory system for gene technology. The amendments are minor in nature.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 6](#)

[Government Agencies \(Land Acquisition Reporting\) Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Coe—1 August 2018**

The purpose of this bill is to improve integrity in land acquisitions. The bill introduces reporting requirements for all acquisitions undertaken by ACT Government entities, reinforcing due diligence and procurement principles such as value for money.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)

[Government Procurement \(Financial Integrity\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Coe—20 September 2017**

This bill will amend a number of laws relating to government expenditure to improve integrity in spending and provide the ACT community with further opportunities to examine how taxpayer's money is disbursed.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)

[Government Procurement \(Secure Local Jobs\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations)—2 August 2018**

This bill will amend the *Government Procurement Act 2001* to facilitate the adoption of the Secure Local Jobs Code. The bill establishes new tender evaluation and contract oversight requirements for territory entities as well as internal governance and supporting infrastructure, including a statutory role of registrar to oversee the new arrangements.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 22](#)

## H

[Health \(Improving Abortion Access\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Le Couteur—21 March 2018**

This bill will amend the *Health Act 1993* to improve access to safe and legal abortions for people in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 16](#)

[Health Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—15 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Health Act 1993* and the *Sex Work Act 1992*. The amendments will include nurse practitioners as a class of health practitioners that may be reviewed and credentialed for clinical privileges by a Scope of Clinical Practice Committee.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 36](#)

[Heritage Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—24 October 2019**

This bill will amend the *Heritage Act 2004* to strengthen the way damage to heritage places and objects can be dealt with to both deter people from doing damage in the first place and to make them responsible for repairing any damage to heritage places or objects.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 38](#)

[Holidays \(Reconciliation Day\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations)—17 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Holidays Act 1958* to make 27 May a reconciliation Day public holiday in the Australian Capital Territory or, if that day is not a Monday, the following Monday and omit Family and Community Day and its definition.

- [Scrutiny Report 9 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Human Rights \(Workers Rights\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Cody—27 November 2019**

This bill will amend the *Human Rights Act 2004* to recognize workers' rights as outlined in the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. The bill will also provide for a right to join a work-related organisation with the objective of promoting or protecting their economic or social interests and to protections against acts of anti-union discrimination.

- [Scrutiny Report 38 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 40](#)



## I

[Inspector of Correctional Services Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Corrections)—26 October 2017**

This bill will establish an independent Inspector of Correctional Services for the Territory and includes providing a broad and flexible operational structure for the Inspector.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)

[Integrity Commission Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—27 November 2018**

This bill will establish an Integrity Commission that will identify, investigate and expose serious corrupt conduct in public administration in the Territory.

- [Scrutiny Report 25](#) and [Scrutiny Report 26 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 26](#)

[Integrity Commission Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—16 May 2019**

This bill will amend the *Integrity Commission Act 2018* to amend the commencement of the Act to provide split commencement dates in order to facilitate the commencement of the enabling provisions, while delaying the commencement of powers to receive complaints until the Integrity Commissioner is ready to receive them.

- [Scrutiny Report 31 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

## J

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 \(No 3\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—15 December 2016**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws within the Justice and Community Safety portfolio to improve the operation of each amended law.

- [Scrutiny Report 2 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—30 March 2017**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws within the Justice and Community Safety portfolio to improve the operation of each amended law.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 7](#)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—21 September 2017**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws in the Justice and Community Safety portfolio to improve the operation of each amended law without making major policy changes.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 11](#)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—22 March 2018**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws within the Justice and Community Safety portfolio to improve the operation of each amended law.

- [Scrutiny Report 16](#)
- Government response in [Scrutiny Report 17](#) and [Scrutiny Report 18](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—21 March 2019**

This bill will make minor amendments to a number of Territory laws within the Justice and Community Safety portfolio to improve the operation of each amended law.

- [Scrutiny Report 29](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 31](#)

[Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—18 June 2020**

This bill will make amendments to a number of Territory laws by introducing a fit and proper person test to licence a real estate agent or register a salesperson and by protecting consumers by enabling the Commissioner of Fair Trading to conduct binding conciliation for consumer disputes up to \$5000. The bill will also streamline and strengthen processes at the ACT Human Rights Commission, improve and clarify processes under the *Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005* and allow for particular youth sexual offence convictions to be spent subject to robust safeguards. The bill also makes a number of technical amendments to ACT legislation.

- [Scrutiny Report 45](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 47](#)

L

[Labour Hire Licensing Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—20 February 2020**

This bill will provide for the licensing and regulation of providers of labour hire services to ensure that labour hire businesses operating in the ACT meet their workplace obligations and responsibilities to workers. The bill also creates a framework to prevent and respond to non-compliance with workplace standards in the labour hire industry.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 43](#)

[Lakes Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—31 October 2017**

This bill will amend the *Lakes Act 1976* by updating and modernising the provisions relating to navigation and safety on ACT lakes.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 14](#)

[Lands Acquisition Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—8 June 2017**

This bill will amend the *Lands Acquisition Act 1994* to introduce an additional way to facilitate negotiations on the payment of compensation for the compulsory acquisition of land under the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 7](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 9](#)

[Lands Acquisition \(Reporting Requirements\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Coe—14 February 2018**

This bill will amend the *Lands Acquisition Act 1994* to introduce new reporting requirements for all land acquisitions undertaken by Government entities.

- [Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Land Tax \(Community Housing Exemption\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Parton—19 September 2018—(Ruled out of order by the Speaker on 23 October 2018)**

This bill will amend the *Land Tax Act 2004* to exempt owners from paying land tax if the owner enters into an agreement with a registered community housing provider.

- [Scrutiny Report 22 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Land Tax Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—12 April 2018**

This bill will amend the *Land Tax Act 2004* to provide for the extension of land tax to all residential dwellings that are not an owner's principal place of residence and to introduce a foreign ownership surcharge. The bill will also make a number of minor and technical amendments to the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 17](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 18](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[Land Titles \(Electronic Conveyancing\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—20 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Land Titles Act 1925* and the *Land Titles (Unit Titles) Act 1970* by establishing a legislative framework to apply the national electronic conveyancing system within the Territory. The bill will also make consequential amendments to a number of other pieces of Territory legislation.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- Government response in [Scrutiny Report 41](#) and [Scrutiny Report 44](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 41](#)

[Legislative Assembly \(Office of the Legislative Assembly\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—24 October 2019**

This bill will amend the *Legislative Assembly (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Act 2012* and the *Electoral Act 1992* to establish a communication allowance for Members of the Legislative Assembly and to clarify that expenditure from the allowance is not subject to electoral expenditure or the annual expenditure reporting requirements under the Electoral Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 38](#)

[Legislative Assembly Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Ms Burch (Speaker)—14 September 2017**

This bill will amend provisions of the *Auditor-General Act 1996*, the *Electoral Act 1992*, the *Financial Management Act 1996*, the *Legislative Assembly (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Act 2012*, the *Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001* and the *Ombudsman Act 1989*, which have a bearing on the effective operation of the Office of the Legislative Assembly and Officers of the Legislative Assembly.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)

[Liquor Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—23 March 2017**

This bill will make a number of amendments to the *Liquor Act 2010* and the *Liquor Regulation 2010* to reduce alcohol related harm, improve the administration of the liquor legislation and reduce regulatory burden.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 7](#)

#### [Litter Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for City Services)—6 June 2019**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to provide a strong, contemporary and best-practice legislative framework for preventing, deterring and responding to littering and illegal dumping in the ACT. The amendments include, amending the definition of litter to expressly include dockless bikes, introducing an offence that captures construction material not being appropriately contained onsite which results in those items becoming litter, and introducing a strict liability offence for aggravated littering of specific items listed by regulation, such as syringes and cigarettes.

- [Scrutiny Report 32](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- Committee considered amendments in [Scrutiny Report 35](#) and [Scrutiny Report 36](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 36](#)

#### [Long Service Leave \(Portable Schemes\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—24 October 2019**

This bill amends the *Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009* to provide better protection for worker entitlements, remove administrative inconsistencies and provide more clarity for employers. The bill strengthens compliance measures by modernising inspector powers, providing interest is payable on any levies that remain unpaid after the due date, and by inserting a new provision to enable the Authority to pursue company directors in situations where a levy remains unpaid and phoenix activity is involved.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 38](#)

#### [Loose-fill Asbestos Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—20 February 2020**

This bill will amend Territory legislation to give effect to the management of any Mr Fluffy affected properties remaining in the community following the close of the Buyback Program on 30 June 2020. The amendments propose to include: transitional support for homeowners; additional asbestos management plan requirements; development and building approval restrictions; occupancy prohibition; and the potential for compulsory acquisition if required from mid-2025.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 41](#)

**M**[Magistrates Court \(Infringement Notices\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Le Couteur—27 November 2019**

This bill will amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* and the *Magistrates Court Regulation 2009*. The amendments will provide an opportunity to people who have been issued an infringement notice to either enter into an infringement notice management plan to enable the payment of the penalty by instalment, or participate in an approved community work or social development plan in lieu of paying the penalty, or seek for the penalty to be waived. The amendments will ensure that the payment system for infringement notice offences can take into account the circumstances of people on low incomes or who are otherwise disadvantaged.

- [Scrutiny Report 38](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 39](#)

[Magistrates Court \(Retirement Age of Magistrates\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Hanson—9 May 2018**

This bill will amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to extend the retirement age of magistrates from 65 years old to 70 years old.

- [Scrutiny Report 18 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Health and Wellbeing)—10 May 2018**

This bill will amend the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 2008* and the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* to establish a regulatory framework that would allow for authorised people to remotely access, use and disclose information on the ACT's monitored medicines database as a public health and clinical support tool. This bill will also establish administrative functions relating to the use of the database information, and introduce several new offence provisions to limit the bill's impact on personal privacy.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Mental Health Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Mental Health)—30 July 2020**

This bill will amend the *Mental Health Act 2015* by improving the rights of mental health consumers subject to the Act through the inclusion of additional safeguards to apprehension and provides additional clarity about contraventions orders. The bill will also extend the affected persons register and providing a mechanism for the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal to consider the views of the affected person and the Victims of Crime Commissioner when orders are being contemplated. Amendments to the Act will also provide the Chief Psychiatrist with a power to issue guidelines that can provide greater detail on complex questions of operationalising the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 48](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 50](#) and [Scrutiny Report 51](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 50](#)

[Monitoring of Places of Detention \(Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture\) Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—24 August 2017**

This bill will provide a legal structure for the Territory to meet its obligations for the United Nations Subcommittee on the Prevention of Torture to conduct periodic visits to places of detention under the Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture when it is ratified.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 11](#)

[Motor Accident Injuries Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—19 March 2019**

This bill will implement a model for the new Motor Accident Injuries Scheme, as chosen by the citizens' jury. It will replace the current at-fault compensation scheme operating under the *Road Transport (Third-Party Insurance) Act 2008* with a new hybrid no-fault common law scheme.

- [Scrutiny Report 29](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 30](#)

[Motor Accident Injuries Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—13 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Motor Accident Injuries Act 2019* to include that if a legal cost or fee is not prescribed by a regulation, a lawyer is still able to charge a client legal costs and fees.

- [Scrutiny Report 40 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

**N**

[Nature Conservation \(Minor Public Works\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—14 September 2017**

This bill will streamline the processes for obtaining planning approvals to enable Territory entities, or groups working on behalf of the Territory, to carry out minor works in reserves.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)

## O

[Official Visitor Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—15 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Official Visitor Act 2012* and the five operational Acts of the ACT Official Visitor Scheme (*Children and Young People Act 2008*, *Corrections Management Act 2007*, *Disability Services Act 1997*, *Housing Assistance Act 2007* and *Mental Health Act 2015*). The amendments will give effect to the legislative recommendations from the 2017 Review of the Official Visitor Scheme, including removing restrictions on official visitors visiting other operational areas when required to allow for greater flexibility and coverage.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 35](#)

[Ombudsman Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—10 May 2018**

This bill will expand the scope of the Reportable Conduct Scheme to include institutions that provide spiritual care and pastoral activities.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 19](#)

## P

[Planning and Development Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—24 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007* to provide a planning assessment framework for the storage of hazardous materials and changes the impact assessment track for development proposals on contaminated sites. It also implements a requirement that an Assembly committee decide with 15 working days whether it will inquire into any Draft Variation to the Territory Plan referred to it.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)

[Planning and Development Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—4 June 2020**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007*, the *Planning and Development Regulation 2008* and the *Land Titles Act 1925* to facilitate the establishment of a University of New South Wales campus in the Territory.

- [Scrutiny Report 44 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Planning and Development \(Community Concessional Leases\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—1 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007* and the *Planning and Development Regulation 2008* to establish the new policy framework for the sale of land to not for profit community organisations at less than market value. The policy framework supersedes the prior mechanism of directly granting land at less than market value to community organisations.



- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 35](#)

#### [Planning and Development \(Controlled Activities\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Coe—14 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007* to enforce strict inspection measures relating to controlled activity orders for unclean leaseholds.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)
- Committee considered amendments in [Scrutiny Report 36](#) and [Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 37](#)

#### [Planning and Development \(Design Review Panel\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—16 May 2019**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007* and the *Planning and Development Regulation 2008* to establish the National Capital Design Review Panel as part of the pre-development application process to provide a constructive platform to resolve the fundamental planning and design issues that will support the skills of the proponent's design team and the pre-application advice provided by Government.

- [Scrutiny Report 31](#)
- Government response in [Scrutiny Report 32](#), [Scrutiny Report 34](#) and [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 32](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 35](#)

#### [Planning and Development \(Lease Variation Charge Deferred Payment Scheme\) Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—15 February 2018**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007* to provide a deferred payment scheme for the Lease Variation Charge. The scheme is entered through an arrangement with the Commissioner for ACT Revenue and aims to provide greater flexibility for managers of large development projects.

- [Scrutiny Report 15 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Planning and Development \(Territory Plan Variations\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Le Couteur—10 May 2017**

This bill will amend the *Planning and Development Act 2007* to limit the use of technical amendments to technical and procedural matters where there is public opposition to a variation.

- [Scrutiny Report 6 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Planning and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—16 May 2019**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of Territory laws in order to keep the legislation up-to-date and give the Government the ability to respond quickly to changing circumstances.

- [Scrutiny Report 31](#)

#### [Planning and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—7 May 2020**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of Territory laws to improve the operation of legislation relating to environment, planning and energy law, administered by the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate, the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate and one piece of legislation administered by the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate.

- [Scrutiny Report 42 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Planning, Building and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—15 December 2016**

This bill will make a number of minor policy amendments to the *Climate Change and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act 2010*, the *Planning and Development Regulation 2008* and the *Utilities (Technical Regulation) Act 2014*. The bill will also make technical and editorial amendments to Territory legislation relating to planning, building and the environment.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)

#### [Planning, Building and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—23 March 2017**

This bill will make a number of amendments to compliance information requirements contained in the *Energy Efficiency (Cost of Living) Improvement Act 2012*. It will also amend the reporting requirements of the Conservator of Flora and Fauna contained in the *Nature Conservation Act 2014*. The bill also makes technical and editorial amendments to Territory legislation relating to planning, building and the environment.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)

#### [Planning, Building and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—12 April 2018**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to the operation of four pieces of legislation namely the *City Renewal Authority and Suburban Land Agency Act 2017*, the *Heritage Act 2004*, the *Nature Conservation Act 2014* and the *Planning and Development Regulation 2008*.

- [Scrutiny Report 17 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Planning Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Le Couteur—7 May 2020**

This bill will improve environmental outcomes of planning and residential tenancies legislation by amending the *Planning and Development Act 2007*, the *Planning and Development Regulation 2008* and the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*. The amendments will improve the community's ability to engage with the planning system and improve the outcomes of the planning system for the wider community.

- [Scrutiny Report 42 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Prostitution Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—7 June 2018**

This bill will make a number of amendments to the *Prostitution Act 1992* to address issues of ongoing stigma, safety issues and discrimination. It will also better protect children from sexual exploitation and align the Act with other legislation governing professions in the ACT to better recognise sex work as a legitimate profession.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Public Health Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—4 June 2020**

This bill will amend the *Public Health Act 1997* by proposing changes to the compensation arrangements under the Act. The amendments provide that compensation will not be payable to an otherwise eligible person if the loss or damage is suffered as a result of anything done in the exercise of a function under Part 7 of the Act in relation to a COVID-19 declaration, while the declaration was in force. Part 7 of the Act relates to public health emergencies.

- [Scrutiny Report 44](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 45](#)

[Public Health Amendment Bill 2020 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—23 July 2020**

This bill will amend the *Public Health Act 1997* by inserting provisions to allow the relevant Minister to determine a quarantine fee that may be incurred by a person required to quarantine at a place other than the person's home because of COVID-19.

- [Scrutiny Report 48](#)

[Public Health \(Emergencies\) Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—2 April 2020**

This bill will amend the *Public Health Act 1997* to allow an extension, or further extensions, of a declared public health emergency to remain in force for a period of up to 90 days when it relates to a declaration made due to the COVID-19 emergency. The bill will also give the chief health officer and authorised persons certainty as to the lawful exercise of emergency powers, under the Act, and will allow the Government to communicate with certainty about emergency arrangements with more notice to the community.

- [Scrutiny Report 41](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 42](#)

[Public Interest Disclosure Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—20 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2012* to support a pro-disclosure culture and system that provides clarity to disclosers and disclosure officers and will require all disclosures under the Act to be forwarded to the ACT Integrity Commission. The amendments will also improve the integrity framework, reduce the scope of the Act and remove the overlap with the *Integrity Commission Act 2019*.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- Government response in [Scrutiny Report 41](#) and [Scrutiny Report 43](#)
- Committee comment on Government response in [Scrutiny Report 41](#) and [Scrutiny Report 44](#)
- Committee considered amendments in [Scrutiny Report 45](#) and [Scrutiny Report 48](#)

#### [Public Sector Management Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—1 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* to strengthen the existing ACT Public Service employment framework and provide greater alignment within the existing employment framework to ensure that the legislation operates effectively. The amendments include authorising the sharing of new-starter information with the relevant unions and changing how long service leave is calculated.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)

#### [Public Sector Workers Compensation Fund Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—25 October 2018**

This bill will establish infrastructure and supporting arrangements for appropriations and moneys held for the management of the ACT's Public Sector workers' compensation liabilities. This bill will also establish a Public Sector Workers Compensation fund and appoint a commissioner to manage and administer the fund.

- [Scrutiny Report 24 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

## R

#### [Racing \(Greyhounds\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—2 November 2017**

This bill will amend the *Racing Act 1999* and several other pieces of Territory law by removing the legal framework for the administration and control of greyhound racing in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)

#### [Rates Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—13 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Rates Act 2004* by lengthening the period used to calculate the average unimproved value of parcels of land in the Territory from three years to five years. The bill will also amend the Act to require the commissioner to redetermine the unimproved value of a parcel of land as soon as practicable after a lease is varied.

- [Scrutiny Report 40 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Red Tape Reduction Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Minister for Regulatory Services)—30 March 2017**

This bill will make amendments to a number of Territory laws to reduce red tape. The amendments remove certain administrative burdens for charities and firewood merchants and will decrease the levy charged to small energy utility suppliers. The bill will also introduce a new offence provision for non-compliant licensed agents, removes breed-specific provisions concerning greyhounds and remove certain barriers to those applying for a security employee licence in low risk activities. The bill repeals the *Public Bathing Act 1956* and the *Environment Protection (ACT Firewood) Code of Practice 1999*.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)
- [Committee considered amendment in Scrutiny Report 6](#)

[Red Tape Reduction Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Minister for Regulatory Services)—23 August 2018**

This bill will make amendments to a number of Territory laws to address outdated requirements and reduce red tape by addressing duplication and providing greater clarity for ACT businesses, individuals and community organisations in achieving regulatory outcomes. The amendments further streamline reporting for charities registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission, provide a more efficient process for industry in the lodgement of plans, maps and other documents and allow alternative documents of identification for use in licenced venues, the casino and venues selling tobacco.

- [Scrutiny Report 21](#)

[Reportable Conduct and Information Sharing Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—2 November 2017**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to further support the operation of the Reportable Conduct Scheme in relation to information sharing and the promotion of child safety.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)

[Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—14 September 2017**

This bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to improve consumer protections for tenants and lessors entering into a commercial guarantee or indemnity contract.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 11](#)

[Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—10 May 2018**

This bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to provide an improved framework for residential tenancy agreements, including clarification of provisions which affect vulnerable tenants, including social housing tenants.

- [Scrutiny Report 18 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2018 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—1 November 2018**

This bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* and the *Residential Tenancies Regulation 1998* to provide for an enhanced framework for residential tenancy agreements.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 27](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 27](#)
- [Private Member's response in Scrutiny Report 28](#)

[Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—26 September 2019**

This bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to give effect to legislative recommendations from the 2016 review of the Act. These amendments include reducing the maximum rent payable in advance to two weeks, adds cooling to the list of urgent repairs, and increases the notice period required for landlords to terminate a periodic lease where the landlord or a person close to them wishes to move into the premises from four weeks to eight weeks.

- [Scrutiny Report 36](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 37](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 38](#)

[Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—13 February 2020**

This bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*, the *Human Rights Commission Act 2005*, the *Uncollected Goods Act 1996* and the *Residential Tenancies Regulation 1998* to improve protections for occupants by introducing new occupancy principles and by making those principles a mandatory part of every occupancy agreement. The bill will also clarify the difference between an occupancy agreement and a residential tenancy agreement and clarify the application of the occupancy framework to people who reside in residential parks.

- [Scrutiny Report 40](#)
- Committee considered amendments in [Scrutiny Report 40](#) and [Scrutiny Report 44](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 44](#)

[Retirement Villages Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—29 November 2018**

This bill will amend a number of ACT statutes to support the ACT's retirement villages to meet the needs of current and future residents and operators. The bill implements a second set of recommendations which resulted from the 2015-16 review of the *Retirement Villages Act 2012*.

- [Scrutiny Report 26](#)

[Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—15 December 2016**

This bill will amend Territory laws relating to taxation to implement reforms to the Territory's revenue collection system.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)

[Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—23 March 2017**

This bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999*, the *Land Tax Act 2004* and the *Rates Act 2004*. The amendments will change the method for calculating rates and land tax for residential unit subdivisions, repeal insurance duty legislation and make a technical change to the rebate on rates for pensioners.

- [Scrutiny Report 5 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)
- [Committee considered amendment in Scrutiny Report 6](#)

[Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—26 October 2017**

This bill will make a number of minor policy and technical amendments to Territory laws to improve administration and operation of the ACT tax system for the benefit of taxpayers and administrators.

- [Scrutiny Report 12 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—14 February 2019**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to improve the administration and operation of the ACT tax system for the benefit of both taxpayers and administrators. The amendments include providing the ACT Revenue Office with the ability to inform parties who have an interest in the property of a defaulting taxpayer, such as mortgagees or credit providers, of the amount of an outstanding tax debt and the existence of a statutory first charge. It also allows for a limited exemption from land tax for private properties rented through a community housing provider.

- [Scrutiny Report 28](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 29](#)

[Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—24 October 2019**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to extend the period of the unfit for occupation exemption of the *Land Tax Act 2004* by a quarter after the land becomes fit for occupation and also makes a number of minor and technical amendments to clarify and simplify the administration and operation of tax laws.

- [Scrutiny Report 37](#)

[Road Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—6 June 2019**

This bill will make a number of amendments to Territory laws to improve road safety and improve the administration and efficiency of the Territory's road transport legislation. The amendments include introducing automatic disqualification periods for drivers who repeatedly drive while suspended when the original reason for the suspension was non-payment of an infringement notice penalty, non-compliance with an infringement notice management plan, fine default or exceeding the applicable demerit point threshold, and extending the offences of using an unregistered motor vehicle or uninsured motor vehicle to a responsible person who permits or allows a person to use an unregistered or uninsured motor vehicle.

- [Scrutiny Report 32](#)

[Road Transport Reform \(Light Rail\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—8 June 2017**

This bill will make a number of amendments to Territory laws relating to road transport legislation to support the operation of light rail within the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 7](#)

[Road Transport Reform \(Light Rail\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—22 March 2018**

This bill will make a number of amendments to Territory laws relating to road transport legislation to establish the regulatory framework for the operation of light rail within the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Reports 16](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 17](#) and [Scrutiny report 18](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[Royal Commission Criminal Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—25 October 2018**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900*, the *Crimes (Sentencing) Act 2005*, the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991*, and the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulation 2009* to enhance the protection of children of child sexual abuse and improve the justice system's response to child sexual abuse.

- [Scrutiny Report 24](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 26](#)

[Royal Commission Criminal Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—21 February 2019**

This bill will make a number of amendments to Territory laws to address Recommendations from the Commonwealth *Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse*. The bill will improve the protection of children from abuse by adding ministers to a list of mandated reporters and creating a new offence of failure to report a sexual offence committed against a child.

- [Scrutiny Report 28](#)



[Royal Commission Criminal Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—2 July 2020**

This bill will make amendments to Territory laws to implement a number of recommendations made by the *Royal Commission into Institutional Response to Child Sexual Abuse*. The amendments relate to provisions in the *Crimes Act 1900* concerning a sexual relationship with a child or young person under special care, the tendency and coincidence evidence provisions in the *Evidence Act 2011* and clarify the status of disclosures in the setting of a religious confessional. The bill also proposes further amendments to the *Evidence Act 2011* in relation to reporting laws.

- [Scrutiny Report 46](#)
- Government response in [Scrutiny Report 47](#) and [Scrutiny Report 51](#)
- [Committee comment on Government response in Scrutiny Report 48](#)

**S**[Senior Practitioner Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Disability, Children and Youth)—7 June 2018**

This bill will facilitate the creation of a senior practitioner role to enable vulnerable people in the ACT to achieve a better quality of life, free of unnecessary interventions that limit their human rights. This bill will also provide a framework for the reduction and elimination of restrictive practices in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 20](#)

[Senior Practitioner Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Disability)—14 May 2019**

This bill will amend the *Senior Practitioner Act 2018* to address issues identified in the implementation of the Act and demonstrates the Government's commitment to a nationally consistent approach to restrictive practice policy.

- [Scrutiny Report 31](#)
- [Committee considered amendment in Scrutiny Report 31](#)

[Sentencing \(Drug and Alcohol Treatment Orders\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—6 June 2019**

This bill will amend a number of Territory laws to establish processes for issuing a Drug and Alcohol Treatment Order (DATO) as an alternative sentence to imprisonment. The amendments include, providing legislative authority for the ACT Drug and Alcohol Court to operate in the Supreme Court, creating eligibility criteria in relation to offences and offenders, and creating a new sentence of a stand-alone DATO.

- [Scrutiny Report 32](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 34](#)

[Sentencing \(Parole Time Credit\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Corrections and Justice Health)—19 September 2019**

This bill will amend the *Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005* and the *Crimes (Sentencing) Act 2005* to introduce a parole time credit scheme to give certain offenders credit for the period of time served on parole complying with their parole obligations.

- [Scrutiny Report 36](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 37](#)

[Sentencing Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—20 September 2018**

This bill will amend the *Crimes (Sentencing) Act 2005* and the *Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005* to improve the administration of the Intensive Correction Order scheme that commenced in 2016.

- [Scrutiny Report 22](#)

[Sexuality and Gender Identity Conversion Precincts Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Barr (Minister for Social Inclusion and Equality) and Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—13 August 2020**

This bill will prohibit certain practices aimed at changing a person's sexuality or gender identity (conversion practices) with a view to protecting vulnerable people from harm.

- [Scrutiny Report 49](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 50](#) and [Scrutiny Report 51](#)
- Committee comment on Government response in [Scrutiny Report 50](#) and [Scrutiny Report 51](#)

[Statute Law Amendment Bill 2016](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—15 December 2016**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of laws to enhance the Territory's statute book.

- [Scrutiny Report 2 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Statute Law Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—24 August 2017**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of laws to enhance the Territory's statute book.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)

[Statute Law Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—20 September 2018**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of laws to enhance the Territory's statute book.

- [Scrutiny Report 22](#)

[Statute Law Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Ramsay (Attorney-General)—19 September 2019**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of laws to enhance the Territory's statute book.

- [Scrutiny Report 36 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Stock Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—7 June 2018**

This bill will make limited amendments to the *Stock Act 2005*, and provides the Director-General, Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate with more flexible options when dealing with impounded stock and also updates provisions relating to permits for moving stock on foot.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

**T**[Transport Canberra and City Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2016](#)**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—15 December 2016**

This bill will make a number of minor and technical amendments to laws administered by the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate including the *Domestic Animals Act 2000*, the *Domestic Animals Regulation 2001* and the *Public Unleased Land Act 2013*.

- [Scrutiny Report 2 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Tree Protection Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—24 August 2017**

This bill will amend the *Tree Protection Act 2005* to provide for the Conservator of Flora and Fauna to have discretion to deregister a registered tree that has died from natural causes. The bill will also clarify who has access to merits review of certain decisions made by the Conservator of Flora and Fauna.

- [Scrutiny Report 9 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

**U**[Unit Titles Legislation Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for Planning and Land Management)—28 November 2019**

This bill will amend number of Territory laws to improve the operation of legislation associated to the development, governance and administration of unit plans in the ACT. The bill includes measures to make sure that purchasers of units are informed of the key features of units when entering into a contract of sale and are informed of changes to those details should circumstances change after the signing of the contract. The bill also sets out certain matters that must be included in a "disclosure statement" which is a written statement that must be included in the contract of sale - these requirements set out certain fundamental matters that are considered important and necessary for the buyer to know when considering signing a contract of sale.

- [Scrutiny Report 38](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 39](#)

#### [Utilities Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—21 September 2017**

This bill will amend the *Utilities Act 2000*, the *Utilities (Technical Regulation) Act 2014* and the *Utilities (Technical Regulation) Regulation 2017* by inserting general regulation-making power into each law to enable classes of services to be removed from the regulatory schemes if certain conditions are met. The bill will also provide for the first use of the exemption power in relation to embedded electricity networks.

- [Scrutiny Report 10 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

#### [Utilities \(Streetlight Network\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Treasurer)—11 May 2017**

This bill will amend the *Electricity Safety Act 1971*, the *Electricity Safety Regulation 2004* and the *Utilities Act 2000* to ensure that the streetlight network is clearly defined and that a clear distinction exists between the streetlight network and electricity distribution network. The bill will also facilitate access to streetlighting assets and clarify the technical standards that apply.

- [Scrutiny Report 6](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 7](#)

#### [Utilities \(Technical Regulation\) Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability)—21 September 2017**

This bill will amend the *Utilities (Technical Regulation) Act 2014* to address ongoing issues in relation to the risks caused by trees touching live powerlines in order to increase public safety. The bill will also address important actions under the Strategic Bushfire Management Plan 2014-2019.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)

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#### [Veterinary Practice Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—10 May 2018**

This bill will repeal the *Veterinary Surgeons Act 2015* and the *Veterinary Surgeons Regulations 2015*. This bill will improve the efficiency and productivity of the veterinary profession in the ACT by bringing it into harmonisation with NSW legislation and incorporate deemed registration under the national recognition of veterinary registration. This bill will also ensure that the veterinary practice board has the necessary provisions to identify and address malpractice in the sector.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 20](#)

[Victims Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2020](#)**Presented by Mr Rattenbury (Minister for Justice, Consumer Affairs and Road Safety)—2 July 2020**

This bill will amend the *Victims of Crime Act 1994* by replacing the ‘government principles for the treatment of victims of crime in the administration of justice’ with a Charter of Rights for Victims of Crime. The bill also amends the *Victims of Crime Act 1994* and the *Human Rights Commission Act 2005* by introducing an accountability framework in the Acts that will provide victims with access to processes for making justice agency complaints and raising victims’ rights concerns where a victim right in the Victims of Crime Charter has not been upheld by an obligated agency.

- [Scrutiny Report 46](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 47](#)

**W**[Waste Management and Resource Recovery Amendment Bill 2017](#)**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—21 September 2017**

This bill will amend the *Waste Management and Resource Recovery Act 2016* to establish a cost effective container deposit scheme to assist the beverage industry to discharge their responsibilities in relation to dealing with waste and litter generated by beverage product packaging. The bill will also assist the community to reduce litter and promote a cleaner environment.

- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 11](#)

[Waste Management and Resource Recovery Amendment Bill 2018](#)**Presented by Ms Fitzharris (Minister for Transport and City Services)—10 April 2018**

This bill will amend the *Waste Management and Resource Recovery Amendment Act 2017* to provide for an amendment to the commencement provisions in the Act that relate to refund marking requirements. This amendment will allow a period of two years from the commencement of the Act for these requirements to begin.

- [Scrutiny Report 17 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Water Resources Amendment Bill 2019](#)**Presented by Mr Gentleman (Minister for the Environment and Heritage)—4 April 2019**

This bill will amend the *Water Resources Act 2007*. The bill will provide identification of the framework of the ACT’s water resource plan which shows how water planning and management takes place in the ACT, and will specify the amount of water available for surface water and groundwater from water management areas up to the sustainable diversion limit.

- [Scrutiny Report 30](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 31](#)

[Workers Compensation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations)—31 October 2017**

This bill will amend the *Workers Compensation Act 1951* and the *Workers Compensation Regulation 2002* to improve access to statutory entitlements for Territory workers and also increase the amount of statutory compensation payable in certain circumstances.

- [Scrutiny Report 12](#)

[Workers Compensation Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—19 September 2019**

This bill will amend the *Workers Compensation Act 1951* to ensure that the Act continues to cover all workers by aligning important definitions with contemporary work arrangements and also makes a number of technical amendments to assist administrative clarity and transparency.

- [Scrutiny Report 36 \(Committee had no comment\)](#)

[Work Health and Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2017](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations)—  
30 November 2017**

This bill will adopt the national model Work Health and Safety Regulation that governs the use, storage and handling of hazardous chemicals.

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Work Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations)—7 June 2018**

This bill will amend the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* and *Work Safety Regulation 2011* to improve safety in the construction industry by enhancing consultation and collaboration. This bill will also mandate consultation with workers and their representatives in the establishment of workgroups, mandate the election and training of Health and Safety Representatives and mandate the election of Health and Safety Committees as well as training for its members.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Work Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Employment and Workplace Safety)—15 August 2019**

This bill will amend the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* to establish WorkSafe ACT as the Office of the Work Health and Safety Commissioner, an independent and separate entity under the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 34](#)

[Working with Vulnerable People \(Background Checking\) Amendment Bill 2019](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Community Services and Facilities)—4 April 2019**

This bill will amend the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* and other legislation. The bill will allow the ACT to implement the commitments under the *Intergovernmental Agreement on Nationally Consistent Worker Screening for the National Disability Insurance Scheme*. The bill will make amendments consistent with the national agreement on the National Disability Insurance Scheme worker background screening, including improved information sharing, streamlining registration and introduction of disqualifying offences.

- [Scrutiny Report 30](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 31](#)

[Working with Vulnerable People \(Background Checking\) Amendment Bill 2020](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Community Services and Facilities)—21 May 2020**

This bill will amend the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* to strengthen safeguards for vulnerable people in the community, particularly children and people with disability. The bill extends the application of disqualifying offences for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) workers, refines the classification of offences to align with the NDIS worker screening framework and establishes a process for assessing kinship carers. The bill also gives effect to the National Standards for Working with Children Checks (National Standards) and implements recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse relating to working with children.

- [Scrutiny Report 43](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 45](#)

[Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Workplace Safety and Industrial Relations)—15 February 2018**

This bill will amend the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* to outline actions that can be taken to recover overpayments from the salary of a Territory employee. The bill also amends the *Workplace Privacy Amendment Act 2016* to provide a framework for surveillance in the workplace to ensure compatibility with information privacy laws in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 15](#)