



# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMY AND GENDER AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY  
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### TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### **Inquiry into Inquiry into Housing and Rental Affordability**

To inquire into and report, on:

- a) causes of vacancies in residential and commercial properties;
- b) current economic and regulatory settings for addressing residential and non-residential property vacancy in the ACT;
- c) whether these settings may contribute to the number of vacant properties in the ACT, specifically,
  - an evaluation of settings contributing to vacancies in residential, high density and suburban properties
  - an evaluation of settings contributing to vacancies in commercial and industrial properties.
- d) how reducing residential property vacancy could support housing and rental availability and affordability in the ACT;
- e) how reducing non-residential property vacancy could support improved economic outcomes in the ACT;
- f) whether additional economic and regulatory settings such as a vacancy tax should be considered and;
- g) any other related matters.