



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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MEDIA RELEASE

Freedom of Information inquiry

The Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety has announced it will be undertaking and inquiry into the following bills:

- **[Freedom of Information Amendment Bill 2022](#) presented by the Special Minister of State** on 21 September 2022. This bill makes amendments to allow for pauses in processing times while waiting for further information, increases the processing time from 20 to 30 working days and other amendments to provide efficiencies and procedural fairness; and
- **[Freedom of Information Amendment Bill 2022 \[No 2\]](#) presented by Ms Elizabeth Lee MLA.** Under this bill there would be a pro-active disclosure provision for the ACT Government to publicly release Cabinet records within 30 business days after being considered by Cabinet subject to certain exemptions.

The Committee will conduct a short inquiry and present recommendations to the Assembly.

The terms of reference for the inquiry are available on the Committee [webpage](#).

Information about how to make a submission is available on the Assembly [webpage](#). Submissions close on 28 October 2022.

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