



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

Mr Jeremy Hanson MLA (Chair), Dr Marisa Paterson MLA (Deputy Chair),  
Mr Andrew Braddock MLA

### MEDIA RELEASE

#### Have your say on the Voting Age

The Legislative Assembly is considering a Bill that would require people aged 16-17 years to vote in Territory elections, and Canberrans are invited to have their say.

Justice and Community Safety Committee has been asked to conduct an inquiry on the [Electoral Amendment Bill 2021](#), and present recommendations to the Assembly, before the Bill is debated.

People can participate in the inquiry by completing an [online survey](#) (available at [bit.ly/ACT-voting-age](https://bit.ly/ACT-voting-age)) or [making a submission](#). Further information is available on the [committee webpage](#).

The Chair of the committee, Mr Jeremy Hanson MLA, said 'We look forward to hearing what Canberrans think about the voting age. This is a valuable opportunity for community views to inform the Assembly debate on this Bill.'

Submissions close on **28 January 2022**, and the online survey closes on **7 February 2022**.

The committee will conduct a public hearing on 3 February 2022, and must report back to the Assembly by 3 March 2022.

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STATEMENT ENDS.

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