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# SUMMARY OF BILLS

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## BILLS

### A

[Appropriation Bill 2024-2025 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—6 February 2025**

This bill will appropriate additional money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year that began on 1 July 2024.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#) (no comment)

[Appropriation Bill 2025-2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—24 June 2025**

This bill will appropriate money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2025.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#) (no comment)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 9](#) (no comment)

[Appropriation Bill 2026-2027](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—10 June 2026**

This bill will appropriate money for the purposes of the Territory for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2026.

[Appropriation \(Office of the Legislative Assembly\) Bill 2025-2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—24 June 2025**

This bill will appropriate money for expenditure in relation to the Office of the Legislative Assembly and officers of the Assembly, including the Auditor-General, the Electoral Commissioner and the Integrity Commissioner for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2025.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#) (no comment)

[Appropriation \(Office of the Legislative Assembly\) Bill 2026-2027](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—10 June 2026**

This bill will appropriate money for expenditure in relation to the Office of the Legislative Assembly and officers of the Assembly, including the Auditor-General, the Electoral Commissioner and the Integrity Commissioner for the financial year beginning on 1 July 2026.

[Assisted Reproductive Technology Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—4 February 2025**

This bill will amend the *Assisted Reproductive Technology Act 2024* to expand the transitional provisions to a broader group of people. The new group of people comprises those who were allocated gametes prior to 28 September 2024, and for whom use of those gametes now does not comply with the requirements established by the Act. The bill also makes a number of technical amendments to the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)

[Assisted Reproductive Technology Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—28 October 2025**

This bill will amend the *Assisted Reproductive Technology Act 2024* to regulate the disclosure of information on the Assisted Reproductive Technology donor register to donor conceived people and parents of donor conceived children or young people. This will include amendments to the age of access, retention of default access to certain non-identifying donor information, and parental access to mandatory donor information. The bill also makes a number of minor, editorial amendments to the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)

**B**

[Bail Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—6 May 2026**

This bill will amend the *Bail Act 1992* and related legislation to clarify and codify the matters that decision makers must take into account when making a decision on bail to ensure bail decisions are better informed, more consistent and more transparent.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Better Regulation Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for Night-Time Economy)—5 March 2025**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of Territory Acts to promote better regulator practice and performance.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#)

[Better Regulation Legislation Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for City and Government Services)—6 May 2026**

This bill is an omnibus bill and will make minor and technical amendments to 22 acts and four regulations to improve public access to information, remove unnecessary regulatory burdens, provide for payment neutrality, align legislation with contemporary regulator practice and modernize and clarify legislative language.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Better Regulation \(Repeal of Legislation\) Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for Night-Time Economy)—6 March 2025**

This bill will repeal a number of Territory Acts, regulations and notifiable instruments which have been identified as obsolete.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#) (no comment)

[Building and Construction Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—5 February 2025**

This bill will amend the Territory's building and construction legislation to ensure that the building and construction regulatory system is fit for purpose and delivers accountability, appropriate regulatory oversight and compliance activities to address defects at the earliest point in the construction cycle. The bill also makes a number of minor and technical amendments to relevant legislation.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 3](#)

[Building and Construction Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—23 October 2025**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to Territory legislation to enhance the administration, efficiency and enforcement of the existing building regulatory system, including amendments to the *Building Act 2004*, the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004*, the *Gas Safety Act 2000*, the *Professional Engineers Act 2023* and the *Property Developers Act 2024*.

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 14 \(no comment\)](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 14](#)

## C

[City and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for City and Government Services)—25 March 2026**

This bill will amend legislation administered by the City and Environment Directorate and the Justice and Community Directorate to enable minor policy, technical and administrative amendments. This includes the *Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2020*, *Electoral Act 1992*, *Heavy Vehicle National Law (ACT) Act 2013*, *Road Transport (Offences) Regulation 2005* and *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Regulation 2017*.

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

[Civil Law \(Wrongs\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—17 March 2026**

This bill will amend the *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002* and the *Legal Profession Act 2006* to introduce offences prohibiting the practice of claim farming and impose a duty on organisations responsible for a child to take reasonable precautions to prevent an individual associated with the organisation from perpetrating child abuse.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[Civil Law \(Wrongs\) \(Organisational Child Abuse Liability\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury—25 June 2025**

This bill will amend the *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002* to expand the definition of “employee” to include an individual who is akin to an employee of an organisation, or who is associated with an organisation.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 13](#)

[COAG Legislation Amendment Bill 2024](#)

**Presented by Mr Barr (Chief Minister)—3 December 2024**

This bill will amend a number of Territory statutes to remove outdated references to the Council of Australian Governments (COAG), former COAG ministerial forums and councils and any associated bodies referred to in these statutes.

- [Scrutiny Report 1](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 2](#)

[Crimes \(Child Sex Offenders\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services) and Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—6 February 2025**

This bill will amend section 124 of the *Crimes (Child Sex Offenders) Act 2005* by expanding the definition of child-related employment to include the provision of legal services related to a child, provided by Legal Aid ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)

[Crimes \(Coercive Control\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for the Prevention of Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence)—28 May 2026**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to introduce a new Part3B Coercive Control, which establishes a standalone criminal offence of coercive control. The bill will also make several consequential amendments to align with the introduction of the offence.

- [Scrutiny Report 20](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—4 March 2025**

This bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* and the *Spent Convictions Act 2000* and forms part of the reforms to raising the minimum age of criminal responsibility to 14 years old on 1 July 2025. The bill will clarify how existing police powers apply to a young person under the minimum age of criminal responsibility and ensures the availability of those powers is adapted to the purposes of community safety and safety of the individual young person.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#)

[Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—4 December 2025**

This bill will amend criminal law legislation to support the efficient and effective functioning of the ACT criminal justice system in order to support practices and procedures that are focused on personal safety, wellbeing and human rights.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 17](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 17](#)

## D

[Domestic Violence Agencies \(Information Sharing\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for the Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence)—8 April 2025**

This bill will amend the *Domestic Violence Agencies (Information Sharing) Amendment Act 2024* by delaying the automatic commencement of the new domestic and family violence information sharing scheme until 24 November 2026 (or earlier if the relevant Minister otherwise prescribes). The delay is required to allow sufficient time to establish and deliver foundational elements of the scheme.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)

## E

[Education Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General) on behalf of Ms Berry (Minister for Education and Early Childhood)—8 April 2025**

This bill will amend the *Education Act 2004* to enable the reduction of the public submission period associated with an application for a registration amendment, under the Act, when it is reasonably necessary in circumstances that are time critical.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#)

[Electoral \(Gambling Industry\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Emerson—11 June 2026**

This bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to introduce a ban on gifts to a political entity from a gambling industry entity.

[Emergencies Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services)—11 June 2026**

This bill will amend the *Emergencies Act 2004* to repeal provisions that establish and govern the Multi Hazards Advisory Council and enables the Minister to establish non-statutory advisory bodies administratively.

[Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water)—7 May 2025**

This bill will make minor policy and technical amendments to the Territory's environment legislation including the *Biosecurity Act 2023*, the *Commissioner for Sustainability and the Environment Act 1993*, the *Energy Efficiency (Cost of Living) Improvement Act 2012*, the *Fisheries Act 2000*, the *Lakes Act 1976*, the *National Environment Protection Council Act 1994*, the *Nature Conservation Act 2014*, and the *Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards (ACT) Act 2015*.

- [Scrutiny Report 7](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 8](#)

## F

[Family, Personal and Sexual Violence Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—3 December 2025**

This bill will amend several pieces of legislation, including the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991*, *Family Violence Act 2016*, *Personal Violence Act 2016* and the *Crimes (Sentencing) Act 2005* to improve how ACT laws respond to domestic, family and sexual violence. These amendments will ensure that persons experiencing or at risk of domestic, family and sexual violence can access a trauma-informed justice response, hold persons using violence to account, and improve the clarity of legislation regarding domestic, family and sexual violence in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 17](#)

[Financial Management Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Cocks—9 April 2025**

This bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to strengthen the efficiency and transparency of reporting to the Legislative Assembly on the use of Treasurer’s advance powers and capital works authorisations.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#) (no comment)

[Firearms \(Firearm Prohibition Orders\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services)—24 February 2026**

This bill amends the *Firearms Act 1996* to establish a Firearms Prohibition Order scheme in the ACT, which will, through court orders, prohibit high-risk individuals from acquiring, possessing or using a firearm or firearm-related items, and grant police officers expanded search powers to determine compliance with the order.

- [Scrutiny Report 16](#)

[Firearms \(Public Safety\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services)—4 February 2026**

This bill amends the *Firearms Act 1996* to strengthen gun laws in the ACT in accordance with National Cabinet commitments following the terror attack at Bondi Beach, New South Wales on 14 December 2025. The bill will introduce quantitative limits on the possession and use of firearms, restrict access to high-capacity and rapid-fire weapons and prohibit the possession of blueprints for the illegal manufacture of firearms.

- [Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Fuel Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water)—5 May 2026**

This bill amends the *Fuels Rationing Act 2019* and the *Fair Trading (Australian Consumer Law) Act 1992* to require fuel retailers to provide information on fuel stock levels and expected incoming fuel supplies. The bill also creates the *Magistrates Court (Fuels Rationing Infringement Notices) Regulation 2026*, which sets an infringement notice for the offence of not complying with a notice under the new provision that allows the Minister to require information.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

## G

[Gaming Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Dr Paterson (Minister for Gaming Reform)—9 April 2025**

This bill will amend the *Gambling and Racing Control Act 1999* and the *Gaming Machine Act 2004* to authorise the release of information by the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission, or an authorised officer, for the purpose of keeping a complainant informed of the status of an investigation of a complaint. The bill will also expand the purpose for which a gaming officer may use and share information obtained under gaming law, and implement a two-year pause on payments into, and grants out of, the Diversification and Sustainability Support Fund.

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

[Government Agencies \(Campaign Advertising\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Braddock—4 December 2025**

This bill will amend the *Government Agencies (Campaign Advertising) Act 2009* to modernize and enhance the operation of the legislation by addressing identified shortcomings. The amendments will provide clarification of what constitutes a *party political purpose* and for advertising about proposed government programs, and provide for additional restrictions during federal election periods.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)

[Government Procurement Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Finance)—29 October 2025**

This bill will amend the *Government Procurement Act 2001* and the *Government Procurement Regulation 2007* to enhance the operation of procurement legislation. The amendments will support certified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entities and small and medium enterprises based in the Canberra region to more readily access procurement opportunities and provide greater transparency in government spending.

- [Scrutiny Report 13 \(no comment\)](#)

## H

[Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—5 February 2025**

This bill will amend a number of Territory statutes relating to health to address minor and technical issues to maintain and enhance the standard of ACT law. Amendments will be made to the *Gene Technology Act 2003*, *Gene Technology (GM Crop Moratorium) Act 2004*, *Gene Technology Regulation 2004*, *Human Cloning and Embryo Research Act 2004*, and the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 2008*.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#) (no comment)

[Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—4 September 2025**

This bill will amend a range of legislation relating to the Health portfolio to address minor or technical issues raised by stakeholders or identified by the Health and Community Services Directorate. Amendments will be made to the *Health Act 1993*, *Health Professionals (Special Events Exemptions) Act 2000*, *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 2008*, *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008*, and the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Act 2024*.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)
- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 12](#)



[Heritage and Planning Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—20 March 2025**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to the *Heritage Act 2004*, the *Planning Act 2023* and the *Planning (General) Regulation 2023*. The bill will update terms within the Heritage Act, and correct a number of drafting errors, and clarify the expiry of section 521 relating to the University of NSW lease provisions in the Planning Act. The bill will make technical amendments to the Planning (General) Regulation to clarify the greenhouse gas emissions thresholds for significant and minor developments.

- [Scrutiny Report 4](#) (no comment)

[Human Rights \(Housing\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)**Presented by Ms Clay on behalf of Mr Rattenbury—10 April 2025**

This bill will amend the *Human Rights Act 2025* to enshrine the right to adequate housing for everyone.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#) (no comment)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 9](#) (no comment)

J

[Juries \(Peremptory Challenges\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)**Presented by Mr Werner-Gibbings—3 December 2025**

This bill will amend the *Juries Act 1967* to improve the representativeness of ACT juries and to reduce the time and cost associated with jury empanelment in a criminal trial by reducing the number of peremptory challenges to prospective jurors.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2024 \(No 2\)](#)**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—4 December 2024**

This bill will make minor and technical amendments to a number of Territory laws within the Attorney General's and Minister for Disability, Carers and Community Services' portfolios, including the *Fair Trading (Australian Consumer Law) Act 1992*, the *Human Rights Commission Act 2005*, the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997*, the *Retirement Villages Act 2012*, and the *Official Visitor Act 2012*.

- [Scrutiny Report 1](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 2](#) (no comment)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—6 February 2025**

This bill will amend justice and community safety legislation to improve the quality of the ACT statute's book by making a number of minor and technical amendments to that legislation.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#) (no comment)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 2\)](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—25 June 2025**

This bill will amend justice and community safety legislation to improve their operation by making a number of minor and technical amendments to that legislation.

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

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 3\)](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—2 December 2025**

This bill is an omnibus bill, amending 13 pieces of justice and community safety legislation to improve their operation. These minor and technical amendments will ensure legislation is of the highest standards, facilitates the practical operations of justice sector agencies, and best supports and protects the ACT community.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—7 May 2026**

This omnibus bill will make minor and technical amendments to the *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children and Young People Commissioner Act 2022*, *Custodial Inspector Act 2017*, *Electoral Act 1992*, *Human Rights Commission Act 2005*, *Inquiries Act 1991*, *Oaths and Affirmations Act 1984*, *Supreme Court Act 1933* and the *Unit Titles (Management) Act 2011*. The bill will improve justice and community safety legislation to ensure that it is of the highest standards, facilitates the practical operations of justice sector agencies and best supports and protects the ACT community.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

**L**

[Liquor Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—21 October 2025**

This bill will amend the *Liquor Act 2010* and *Liquor Regulation 2010* in order to establish the legislative framework with appropriate consumer protections for retailers to comply with when providing a same-day delivery of alcohol (SDD).

- [Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 15](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 19](#)

[Long Service Leave \(Portable Schemes\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Cocks—5 May 2026**

This bill will amend the *Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009* to temporarily exclude employers in the accommodation and food services industries from being treated as employers for the services industry under the portable long service leave scheme.

- [Scrutiny Report 19](#)

**M**

[Magistrates Court \(Indicative Sentencing\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—30 October 2025**

This bill will amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to introduce a new indicative sentencing scheme for the Magistrates Court. This will improve the experience of complainants, witnesses and defendants in the criminal court system, and improve systemic efficiencies in the Magistrates Court by reducing the number of contested hearings and reducing the time taken for matters to be concluded.

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

**N**

[Nurse Practitioners Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—4 December 2025**

This bill will remove legislative barriers to better enable nurse practitioners to work to the full extent of their clinical qualifications, training and capability by providing nurse practitioners the practice authority to issue cause of death certificates and act as witnesses to non-written health directions. The bill includes amendments to the *Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1997*, the *Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2020*, the *Coroners Act 1997* and the *Medical Treatment (Health Directions) Act 2006*.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)

**P**

[Payroll Tax Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—3 September 2025**

This bill will amend the *Payroll Tax Act 2011* to apply a new payroll tax rate of 8.75 percent from 1 January 2026 and a split period calculation method to enable two payroll tax rates to apply within the 2025-2026 financial year.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#) (no comment)

[Planning \(Ainslie Volcanics\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Rattenbury—20 March 2025**

This bill will amend the *Planning Act 2023* by safeguarding environmentally and ecologically significant land located in Ainslie. The bill will revoke an approved development application for the site and prohibit any future development.

- [Scrutiny Report 4](#)

[Planning Legislation Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—18 March 2026**

This bill is an omnibus bill, amending the *Planning Act 2023*, *Planning (Exempt Development) Regulation 2023*, *Planning (General) Regulation 2023*, *Recovery of Lands Act 1929* and the *Surveyors Act 2007* in order to support the administration and delivery of priorities under Statement of Planning Priorities 2025-2028. These minor and technical amendments will increase community engagement and transparency of government in decision-making, contemporise the statute book to reflect the city's values and ensure public town planners have the right settings in place to be responsive and deliver on the ambitious planning goals for the Territory.

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

[Planning \(Missing Middle Housing\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—24 March 2026**

This bill will make minor and administrative amendments to the *Planning Act 2023* and the *Planning (General) Regulation 2023* to simplify or otherwise expedite processes relating to subdivisions, secondary residences and certain categories of lease variations in order to help the progress of missing middle projects through the planning system.

- [Scrutiny Report 18](#)

[Planning \(Molonglo Town Centre\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—25 June 2025**

This bill will amend the *Planning Act 2023* to reclassify the Molonglo group centre as a town centre under the Act.

[Planning \(Territory Priority Project\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development)—5 February 2025**

This bill will amend the *Planning Act 2023* by providing that a development proposal related to a public health facility and a development proposal related to public housing are captured under the meaning of a "territory priority project", as per section 216 of the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 2](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 12](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Government response to proposed amendments in Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Public Sector \(Closing the Gap\) Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Emerson—26 June 2025**

This bill will amend the *Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Act 2004* and the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* to legislate the ACT Government's commitments under the National Agreement on Closing the Gap and to acquit essential actions 3.5 and 4.3 of the Productivity Commission's 2024 review of the agreement.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#)
- [Private Members' response in Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 13](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 14](#)

**R**

[Residential Tenancies \(Posting Termination\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Cain—6 May 2025**

This bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to modernise the posting termination clause by recognising domestic partners of lessors being posted for work.

- [Scrutiny Report 7](#)

[Road Transport \(Alcohol and Drugs\) Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Mr Braddock—12 June 2026**

This bill will amend the *Road Transport (Alcohol and Drugs) Act 1977* to establish a statutory defence for persons who obtained and administered delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), in accordance with the *Medicines, Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Act 2008* or a corresponding law within the meaning of that Act, when detected by roadside drug testing.

[Road Transport \(Public Passenger Services\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Minister for Transport)—3 September 2025**

This bill will amend the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001*, the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Regulation 2002*, and the *Road Transport (Offences) Regulation 2005* to strengthen the legal framework for managing violent behaviour on the public bus network.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)

[Road Transport \(Safety and Traffic Management\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for City and Government Services)—13 May 2025**

This bill will amend the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Act 1999* and the *Road Transport (Safety and Traffic Management) Regulation 2017* to expand the ACT road safety camera program to include seatbelt enforcement for both drivers and/or passengers. The bill will also make technical amendments to other traffic offence detection device provisions.

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

## S

[Short-Term Rental Accommodation Levy Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Steel (Treasurer)—20 March 2025**

This bill will introduce, from 1 July 2025, a short-term rental accommodation levy on booking service providers who make, arrange or facilitate short-term rental accommodation bookings in the ACT for a period of less than 28 days.

- [Scrutiny Report 4](#)

[Statute Law Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Attorney-General)—26 June 2025**

This bill will amend ACT legislation to improve the quality of the ACT's statute book by making a number of minor or technical non-controversial statute law revision amendments to that legislation.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 11](#)

## T

[Territory Records \(Executive Records\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Braddock—26 June 2025**

This bill will amend the *Territory Records Act 2002* to legislate a statutory timeframe for the processing of requests for accessible executive records, and sets a new mechanism for appealing decisions concerning access to executive records under the Act.

- [Scrutiny Report 8](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 14](#)
- [Government response to proposed amendments in Scrutiny Report 15](#)

[Tobacco and Other Smoking Products Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—22 October 2025**

This bill will amend the *Tobacco and Other Smoking Products Act 1927* to modernise and update enforcement powers utilised by authorised officers under the Act to ensure they are aligned with the new regulatory objectives introduced by the *Tobacco and Other Smoking Products (Vaping Goods) Amendment Act 2025*.

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

[Tobacco and Other Smoking Products \(Vaping Goods\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—6 March 2025**

This bill will amend the *Tobacco and Other Smoking Products Act 1927* to align Territory legislation with Commonwealth legislation in relation to the implementation of a single consistent framework that applies nationally to regulate the importation, domestic manufacture, supply, commercial possession and advertisement of all vaping goods.

- [Scrutiny Report 3](#) (no comment)

**U**[Urban Forest and Planning Legislation Amendment Bill 2026](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for City and Government Services)—12 June 2026**

This bill will amend the *Planning Act 2023*, the *Planning (General) Regulation 2023*, the *Urban Forest Act 2023* and the *Urban Forest Regulation 2023* to introduce a standalone pathway for the removal of a regulated or public tree on design grounds, outside the development application and approval process, where it enables a desired planning outcome to be achieved under the Territory Plan.

**V**[Variation in Sex Characteristics \(Restricted Medical Treatment\) Amendment Bill 2024](#)

**Presented by Ms Stephen-Smith (Minister for Health)—3 December 2024**

This bill will amend the *Variation in Sex Characteristics (Restricted Medical Treatment) Act 2023* to introduce a 12-month transitional arrangement to enable treatment for ‘prescribed persons’ who have already received treatment in relation to their variation in sex characteristics. The transitional period applies for 12 months from the commencement of section 10 and Part 4 of the Act which is 23 December 2024.

- [Scrutiny Report 1](#)

[Veterinary Practice Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Cheyne (Minister for City and Government Services)—18 March 2025**

This bill will amend the *Veterinary Practice Act 2018* and the *Veterinary Practice Regulation 2018* to enhance the regulation of veterinary practice by aligning with contemporary standards and improving administration and efficiency of legislation to ensure high standards of veterinary practice and public confidence in veterinary services.

- [Scrutiny Report 4](#)

**W**[Working with Vulnerable People \(Background Checking\) Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Ms Orr (Minister for Disability, Carers and Community Services)—2 December 2025**

This bill will amend the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* to strengthen protections for children by requiring that where another Australian jurisdiction has issued a negative notice or cancelled a registration to work with children, this is automatically and immediately recognised in the ACT.

- [Scrutiny Report 14](#)

[Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025](#)

**Presented by Mr Pettersson (Minister for Skills, Training and Industrial Relations)—9 April 2025**

This bill will amend workplace legislation of the Territory to extend statutory permanent impairment payments under the ACT workers’ compensation scheme to workers suffering from work-related silicosis. The bill also makes minor technical amendments to improve the administration of specific industrial relations portfolio ministerial advisory bodies within the ACT as well as provide administrative flexibility to businesses with regard to quarterly reporting under the ACT portable long service scheme.

- [Scrutiny Report 5](#) (no comment)

[Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \[No. 2\]](#)

**Presented by Mr Pettersson (Minister for Skills, Training and Industrial Relations)—2 September 2025**

This bill was divided by a [resolution of the Assembly](#) into Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 (No 2) and Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 (No 3).

[Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 2\)](#)

This bill was originally the Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 [No. 2] and was divided by a resolution of the Assembly.

This bill will amend the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991* to extend automatic protections to complainants in work health safety proceedings involving suspected or alleged sexual assault or sexual harassment in the workplace. This bill will also amend the *Workers Compensation Act 1951* to make amendments to the Default Insurance Fund's operations to include the managing and paying of claims from employees of determined classes of employer.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Committee considered amendments in Scrutiny Report 11](#)

[Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 \(No 3\)](#)

This bill was originally the Workplace Legislation Amendment Bill 2025 [No. 2] and was divided by a resolution of the Assembly.

This bill will amend the *Dangerous Substances Act 2004*, *Long Service Leave Act 1976*, *Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009*, *Public Sector Workers Compensation Fund Act 2018*, *Workers Compensation Act 1951* and the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* to make a combination of substantive and technical reforms within the industrial relations portfolio.

- [Scrutiny Report 9](#)
- [Scrutiny Report 10](#)
- [Government response in Scrutiny Report 13](#)