



**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE COVID-19 2021 PANDEMIC RESPONSE  
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## MEDIA RELEASE

### Report tabled on the ACT Government's COVID-19 pandemic response

The Select Committee on the COVID-19 pandemic response today tabled its report, which is available on its [website](#).

The report has 33 recommendations, which include:

- the ACT Government consider the financial impacts of public health restrictions on businesses when determining support measures for them;
- ACT Policing review police powers for enforcing isolation or quarantine orders to ensure they are informed by public health considerations and that there are sufficient arrangements made with ACT Health to inform these powers; and
- the ACT Government work with Commonwealth and other State and Territory jurisdictions to progress national priorities for suicide prevention following the COVID-19 pandemic, including implementation of the new National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement.

Witnesses to the inquiry included Ministers from the ACT Government and organisations representing human rights, business, social services, education, mental health, and the arts.

Committee Chair, Ms Elizabeth Lee MLA, said “The Committee thanks everyone who participated in the inquiry and assisted in providing their expertise and experience. We trust that our recommendations will assist the ACT Government in managing the pandemic into 2022.”

The Select Committee was established by the Legislative Assembly on 16 September 2021 to provide oversight to the ACT Government's response to the COVID-19 public health emergency. The Committee has concluded, now that it has tabled the report.

For further information please contact the Committee Secretary on 620 50129 or by email at: [LACommitteeCOVID19@parliament.act.gov.au](mailto:LACommitteeCOVID19@parliament.act.gov.au).

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