

# LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

5th Assembly

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## SUMMARY OF BILLS

2001-2002-2003-2004

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### **ACTION Authority Amendment Bill 2001 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 11 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *ACTION Authority Act 2001* to confirm the legal status of transferred staff including preservation of entitlements, and insert regulation making powers.

*Scrutiny Report No. 1*

### **ACTION Authority Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will amend the *ACTION Authority Act 2001* to provide for preservation of entitlements for ACTION employees.

*Scrutiny Report No. 24*

### **Administrative Appeals Tribunal Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1989* by making four major changes. The first is by inserting objects to define the role of the land and planning division of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT). It also inserts a requirement for the AAT to consider in each land, planning and environment matter whether mediation is appropriate. The Bill also introduces a time limit for the completion of land appeals. The final change will give the AAT power to order costs against a party in a land, planning and environment application if the party has failed to follow a direction given by the AAT.

*Scrutiny Report No. 21; GR in Report No. 23*

### **Adventure Activities (Liability) Bill 2002 – Mr Smyth – 28 August 2002**

This Bill will regulate compensation in relation to the death or injury of people taking part in certain adventure activities. It will also implement a regulatory regime for adventure activity operators.

*Scrutiny Report No. 19*

**Agents Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 13 March 2003**

This Bill will relace the *Agents Act 1968* to introduce greater consumer protection.

Scrutiny Report No. 30

**Animal and Plant Diseases Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Environment) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Animal Diseases Act 1993* and the *Plant Diseases Act 2002* by setting out the powers of the Government to deal with the outbreak of animal and plant diseases.

Scrutiny Report No. 31

**Animal Legislation (Penalties) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stefaniak – 13 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Animal Welfare Act 1992* and the *Animal Diseases Act 1993* by increasing the range of penalties for the cruelty to animals.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Annual Leave Amendment Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 25 September 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Annual Leave Act 1973* by removing a barrier preventing the accrual of annual leave by part time employees who work less than 22.8 hours a week on average.

Scrutiny Report No. 38

**Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will repeal the *Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Act 1995* and replace it with an Act that implements provisions relating to the presentation and tabling of annual reports of ACT Government agencies and the releasing of those reports when the Assembly is not sitting.

Scrutiny Report No. 44

**Annual Reports Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 12 February 2004**

This Bill makes consequential amendments to a number of laws as a result of the introduction of the Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Bill 2003 which redrafts the *Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Act 1995*.

Scrutiny Report No. 44

**Appropriation Bill 2001-2002 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 11 December 2001**

This Bill will provide for the additional appropriation of monies for the financial year 2001-2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 1

**Appropriation Bill 2001-2002 (No 3) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 19 February 2002**

This Bill will provide for the additional appropriation of monies for the financial year 2001-2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 2

**Appropriation Bill 2002-2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 25 June 2002**

This Bill provides for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year 2002-2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 17

**Appropriation Bill 2002-2003 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 20 February 2003**

This Bill will provide for additional monies for the financial year 2002-2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 26

**Appropriation Bill 2002-2003 (No 3) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 6 May 2003**

This Bill will provide for additional appropriation of monies for the financial year 2002-2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 32

**Appropriation Bill 2003-2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 6 May 2003**

This Bill will provide for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year 2003-2004.

Scrutiny Report No. 32

**Appropriation Bill 2003-2004 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 19 August 2003**

This Bill will provide for an increase in the appropriation of monies for the financial year 2003-2004.

Scrutiny Report No. 37

**Appropriation Bill 2003-2004 (No 3) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 11 March 2004**

This Bill will provide for an increase in the appropriation of monies for the financial year 2003-2004.

Scrutiny Report No. 47

**Appropriation Bill 2004-2005 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 4 May 2004**

This Bill will provide for the issue and expenditure of public monies of the ACT for services provided in the financial year beginning 1 July 2004.

Scrutiny Report No. 50

**Architects Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 4 March 2004**

This Bill will repeal the *Architects Act 1959* and meets the ACT's reform commitments under the National Competition Policy. The Bill will provide a transparent and effective registration system for architects in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 46; GR in Report No. 47

**Artificial Conception Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 6 June 2002**

This Bill will extend the period of operation of the amendments made by the *Artificial Conception Amendment Act 2000*.

Scrutiny Report No. 15

**Auditor-General Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Auditor-General Act 1966* to clarify and strengthen the powers of the Auditor-General.

Scrutiny Report No. 52; GR in Report No. 54

**Australian Crime Commission (ACT) Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Police and Emergency Services) – 23 October 2003**

This Bill repeals the *National Crime Authority (Territory Provisions) Act 1991*. The purpose of the Bill is to provide for the operation of the Australian Crime Commission in the ACT.

*Scrutiny Report No. 39; GR in Report No. 41*

**Bail Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Bail Act 1992* by identifying crimes which attract different types of presumption. It will also make a range of minor and technical amendments to improve the bail system.

*Scrutiny Report No. 44; GR in Report No. 46*

**Bail (Serious Offences) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stefaniak – 25 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Bail Act 1992* and sets out conditions under which Bail should not be granted or dispensed to a person charged with certain offences.

*Scrutiny Report No. 35*

**Building Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 9 May 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Building Act 1972* by inserting new provisions that allow the approval, as an alternative to insurance, of a fidelity fund scheme that will provide similar consumer protection.

*Scrutiny Report No. 10; GR in Report No. 16*

**Building Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill will replace the *Building Act 1972* and the *Building Regulations 1972* in conjunction with the Construction Occupations (Licensing) Bill 2003. It is part of a package of legislative reforms that represent a significant proposal to improve the regulation of trades in the construction industry.

*Scrutiny Report No. 43; GR in Report No. 44*

**Building (Residential Building Warranty) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 8 May 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Building Act 1972* and the *Building Regulations 1972* by altering the minimum terms of warranty protection in line with recent changes in NSW and Victoria.

*Scrutiny Report No. 32*

**Building (Water Efficiency) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mrs Dunne – 13 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Building Act 1972* and the *Building Regulations 1972* to institute a new system of water efficiency measures which must be complied with before a set of plans can be approved.

*Scrutiny Report No. 21*

**Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Bill 2003 – Mr Stefaniak – 5 March 2003**

This Bill will protect against defamation against any person making a submission or giving evidence in any way to the McLeod Inquiry into the January 2003 bushfires.

*Scrutiny Report No. 27*

**Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 8 May 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Act 2003* by permitting that the report of the inquiry into the operational response to the January 2003 bushfires in the ACT be released publicly when the Assembly is not in session.

Scrutiny Report No. 32

**Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Ms Tucker – 18 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Bushfire Inquiry (Protection of Statements) Act 2003* to give protection against civil liability to certain persons doing anything honestly in relation to the preparation or making public of the report of Mr McLeod, and to persons who publish honestly a copy or summary of the report.

Scrutiny Report No. 34

**Bushfire Reconstruction Authority Bill 2003 – Mrs Dunne – 5 March 2003**

This Bill will establish the Bushfire Reconstruction Authority to assist the government in the recovery and reconstruction effort following the January 2003 Canberra bushfires.

Scrutiny Report No. 27;

**Bushfire Reconstruction Levy Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 6 May 2003**

This Bill will provide the legislative basis to impose a levy to help finance the recovery activities after the January 2003 bushfires.

Scrutiny Report No. 32; GR in Report No. 34

**Canberra Tourism and Events Corporation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Minister for Economic Development, Business and Tourism) – 19 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Canberra Tourism and Events Corporation Act 1997* to change the name of the Corporation from Canberra Tourism and Events Corporation to Australian Capital Tourism Corporation. It will also increase the size of the Board from seven to nine members.

Scrutiny Report No. 34

**Cemeteries and Crematoria Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 16 May 2002**

This Bill will establish a consistent and contemporary framework for the regulation of cemeteries and crematoria in the ACT replacing the outdated *Cemeteries Act 1933* and *Cremation Act 1966*.

Scrutiny Report No. 13; GR in Report No. 15

**Cemeteries and Crematoria Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will replace the Cemeteries and Crematoria Bill 2002 and like that Bill will establish a consistent and contemporary framework for the regulation of cemeteries and crematoria in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 24; GR in Report No. 32

**Charitable Collections Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 6 March 2003**

This Bill will, in accordance with the National Competition Policy review of the *Collections Act 1959*, regulate the management and administration of charitable collections.

Scrutiny Report No. 27; GR in Report No. 31

**Charitable Collections Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 1 April 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Charitable Collections Act 2003* by clarifying the bank account requirements for funds collected.

Scrutiny Report No. 47

**Charter of Responsibilities Bill 2004 – Mr Stefaniak – 23 June 2004**

This Bill will promote an awareness of the civil responsibilities of the people of the A.C.T. and sets out the application of those responsibilities to Territory laws.

Scrutiny Report No. 53

**Civil Law (Sale of Residential Property) Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 26 June 2003**

This Bill will establish a new process for the making and exchange of contracts for the sale of residential property in the ACT. The Bill is designed to reduce significantly the incidence of the unethical practice of gazumping and provide increased levels of consumer protection for both buyers and sellers of residential property.

Scrutiny Report No. 35; GR in Report No. 38

**Civil Law (Wrongs) Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 20 August 2002**

This Bill will address legal issues arising from the recent insurance crisis and aims to improve the ACT civil justice system, by reforming tort law.

Scrutiny Report No. 19 & 20; GR in Report No. 20

**Civil Law (Wrongs) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 26 September 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Civil Laws (Wrongs) Act 2002* and the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999*. The purpose of the amendment Bill is to provide, in relation to Compulsory Third Party insurance, a temporary solution to the reaction by the world reinsurance market to the events of 11 September 2001.

Scrutiny Report No. 20

**Civil Law (Wrongs) Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Ms Dundas – 13 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Civil Laws (Wrongs) Act 2002* by incorporating domestic relationships within the principal act.

Scrutiny Report No. 22

**Civil Law (Wrongs) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 24 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Civil Laws (Wrongs) Act 2002* by including a range of reforms to improve the ACT civil justice system and address legal issues arising from the recent insurance crises.

Scrutiny Report No. 35;

**Civil Law (Wrongs) (Proportionate Liability and Professional Standards) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002* to implement proportionate liability and professional standards in the A.C.T.

Scrutiny Report No. 53

**Civil Law (Wrongs) (Thresholds) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Civil Law (Wrongs) Act 2002* to include a threshold in relation to non-economic loss arising from the provision of a health service by a doctor.

Scrutiny Report No. 45

**Commissioner for the Family Bill 2004 – Mrs Burke – 3 March 2004**

This Bill will establish a commissioner for the family to promote the interests of the family as a unit in society and to encourage government authorities that provide services affecting families or family members to take into account the interests of the family in the provision of those services.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Community Based Sentences (Transfer) Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Corrections) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will introduce new legislation that establishes a scheme for the formal transfer and enforcement of community based sentences between Australian jurisdictions.

Scrutiny Report No. 24

**Community Referendum Bill 2002 – Mr Humphries – 28 August 2002**

This Bill will provide a mechanism for electors of the Australian Capital Territory to initiate changes to the laws of the ACT to the extent permitted by the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988*.

Scrutiny Report No. 19

**Confiscation of Criminal Assets Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 21 November 2002**

This Bill will replace the *ACT Proceeds of Crime Act 1991* with a new scheme for confiscating the proceeds of crime and other criminal assets.

Scrutiny Report No. 25; GR in Report No. 26

**Construction Occupations Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill amends various Acts and regulations in connection with the Construction Occupations (Licensing) Bill 2003. The Bill also repeals legislation or parts of legislation that deal with licensing and are no longer required, corrects references to construction legislation in other legislation and complements the updating of the licensing legislation by enhancements to construction legislation that deals with matters like standards and approval requirements for licensed construction workers.

Scrutiny Report No. 43

**Construction Occupations (Licensing) Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill introduces significant reforms to the regulation of building and construction industry trades. The Bill implements the recommendations of the National Competition Policy Review of Occupational Licensing in the ACT, which reflected reform proposals that had been considered over a number of years.

Scrutiny Report No. 43 and 45; GR in Report No. 44 & 47

**Construction Practitioners Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 1 April 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Building Act 1972* and the *Construction Practitioners Registration Regulations 1998* by establishing the capacity for the appointment of government building certifiers.

Scrutiny Report No. 31

**Consumer and Trader Tribunal Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 20 February 2003**

This Bill will establish the Consumer and Trader Tribunal to replace the Agents Board and dispute resolution bodies for the security industry.

Scrutiny Report No. 26

**Cooperatives Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 22 August 2002**

This Bill repeals the *Cooperatives Societies Act 1939* and incorporates a set of core consistent provisions for cooperative societies, that have been developed with all the States and the Northern Territory and have been enacted by most of these jurisdictions.

Scrutiny Report No. 18; GR in Report No. 22

**Corrections Reform Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Smyth – 25 June 2003**

This Bill will amend two current Acts dealing with sentencing and corrections namely the *Crimes Act 1900* and the *Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Act 2001*. The Bill will ensure that the courts have immediate access to all penalty options established under ACT law. It also establishes a system by which the courts can allow for changes to the penalties being served during the term of the sentence.

Scrutiny Report No. 35

**Costing of Election Commitments Bill 2002 – Mr Humphries – 11 December 2002**

This Bill deals with ensuring the integrity of election promises made by major political groups prior to polling day and provides for the appointment of an independent assessor by the Treasurer to oversee this process.

Scrutiny Report No. 24



**Court Procedures Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill is intended to significantly reduce differences in practice and procedure in ACT courts. It creates a rule-making power for both the ACT Supreme Court and ACT Magistrates Court, allowing for the harmonisation of court rules. The Bill amends the *Supreme Court Act 1933*, the *Magistrates Court (Civil Jurisdiction) Act 1982* and the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* and also incorporates and amends a range of other legislation with provisions that impact on the practice and procedure of the courts.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52; GR in Report No. 55*

**Court Procedures (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill amends and repeals various Acts establishing courts and tribunals consequent on the Court Procedures Bill 2004. It also advances the purposes of the Court Procedures Bill 2004 by significantly reducing differences in practice and procedure in ACT courts.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52*

**Crimes (Abolition of Offence of Abortion) Bill 2001 – Mr Berry – 12 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to abolish abortion as an offence.

*Scrutiny Report No. 2*

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 11 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to address hoaxes and similar behaviour where there is intention to create public alarm or anxiety.

*Scrutiny Report No. 2; GR in Report No. 4 & 5*

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2001 (No 3) – Mr Stefaniak – 12 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to address the issue of contamination hoaxes and threats arising out of the terrorist attacks that commenced on 11 September 2001.

*Scrutiny Report No. 2*

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Pratt – 13 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* by inserting a new section which relates to offences relating to unborn children.

*Scrutiny Report No. 22*

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Cornwell – 24 September 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* by banning the sale of spray cans to a person under the age of 18 years.

*Scrutiny Report No. 38*

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Cornwell – 11 February 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* by banning the sale of spray cans to a person under the age of 18 years.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52*

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 2 March 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* and the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* to address a number of recently identified issues relating to fitness to plead in criminal trials and the special hearing process established under the *Crimes Act 1900*.

Scrutiny Report No. 45

**Crimes Amendment Bill 2004 (No 3) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 19 August 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900*, the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1993*, the *Community Advocate Act 1991* and the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* and will empower the judiciary as the institution that determines an accused person's mental fitness to plead.

Scrutiny Report No. 56

**Crimes (Bushfires) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 21 February 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to create a new offence relating to the intentional lighting of bushfires.

Scrutiny Report Nos. 2&4

**Crimes (Industrial Manslaughter) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill amends the *Crimes Act 1900* to provide improved protection of the health and safety of workers by establishing new offences of industrial manslaughter.

Scrutiny Report No. 25

**Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill amends the *Crimes Act 1900* and the *Prostitution Act 1992* to ensure the Territory's compliance with the International Labour Organisation Convention No 182 concerning the Prohibition and Immediate Action for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour (Convention) and the United Nation's Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography (Optional Protocol).

Scrutiny Report No. 50; GR in Report No. 52

**Crimes (Restorative Justice) Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 5 August 2004**

This Bill will provide for the expansion of restorative justice options for court-based cases, right through to cases that are at the post-sentence and parole stages and will apply to juvenile and adult offenders. This Bill also provides for a restorative justice unit.

Scrutiny Report No. 55; GR in Report No. 56

**Criminal Code 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 26 September 2002**

This Bill repeals the *Criminal Code 2001* and is the second stage in the progressive reform of the ACT's criminal legislation.

Scrutiny Report No. 20; GR in Report No. 22

**Criminal Code Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 19 February 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Criminal Code 2001* to allow for the inclusion of further principles of criminal responsibility and delay the commencement of the code until 1 January 2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 5

**Criminal Code (Serious Drug Offences) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Criminal Code 2002* by inserting a new chapter on serious drug offences and is part of the process to modernise and codify the criminal law of the A.C.T. The Bill also makes consequential amendments to the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* to give a modern regime of offences to deal more effectively with serious drug crime in the A.C.T.

*Scrutiny Report No. 53; GR in Report No. 55*

**Criminal Code (Theft, Fraud, Bribery and Related Offences) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Criminal Code 2002* by inserting a new chapter to reform and codify the ACT law on theft, fraud, blackmail, forgery, bribery and other related matters. It will also significantly rationalise and reduce the ACT statute book by repealing numerous offences in other legislation that will be made redundant by the new codified offences.

*Scrutiny Report No. 44*

**Dangerous Goods Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Pratt – 20 August 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Dangerous Goods Act 1975* and the *Dangerous Goods Regulations 1978* by banning the sale of shopgood fireworks in the ACT and introducing the definition of dangerous use of fireworks and model rocket propellant devices, as a way that is likely to 'endanger the health and safety of or cause distress or suffering to a person or animal or damage to property'. The Bill also seeks to restrict the use of all fireworks to certified pyrotechnicians and government approved community organisations. It will seek to permit community organisations restrictive use of fireworks at prescribed times and introduces stricter penalties for the illegal sale and use of fireworks. The Bill will also ensure that the penalties are enforced.

*Scrutiny Report No. 37 and No. 38*

**Dangerous Substances Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will establish a statutory framework for the regulation of the way dangerous goods and hazardous substances are managed.

*Scrutiny Report No. 43; GR in Report No. 46*

**Discrimination Amendment Bill 2002 – Mrs Cross – 9 April 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* to include 'potential pregnancy'.

*Scrutiny Report No. 8*

**Discrimination Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 21 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* by implementing a policy of according equal treatment to same-sex partnerships as to opposite sex partnerships.

*Scrutiny Report No. 23*

**Discrimination Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stefaniak – 13 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* by attempting to overcome gender imbalance in professions.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52*

**Discrimination Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991* by clarifying the special measures provision in section 27 of the Act. It ensures that measures that are put in place to assist disadvantaged groups are protected from legal challenge by people not intended to benefit from them, without protecting any negative discrimination in the administration of those measures.

*Scrutiny Report No. 53*

**Discrimination (Genetic Status) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mrs Cross – 10 December 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Discrimination Act 1991*, the *Health Records (Privacy and Access) Act 1997* and the *Crime Act 1900* by seeking to ensure the community is protected against the use of predictive genetic information.

*Scrutiny Report No. 45*

**Districts Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 9 May 2002**

This Bill will replace the *Districts Act 1966* and implement recommendations from a review of the *Districts Act 1966*. The Bill will also provide for changes in technology used in the surveying profession, provide for structuring and regulating the allocation and management of street addresses and make administrative changes relating to the position of Commissioner of Surveys for the ACT.

*Scrutiny Report No. 10*

**Domestic Animals Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 26 September 2002**

This Bill amends the *Domestic Animals Act 2000* to address operational issues that have arisen since that Act came into force in June 2001.

*Scrutiny Report No. 20*

**Domestic Violence and Protection Orders Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 17 August 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Protection Orders Act 2001* by increasing the protection of people from violence, harassment and intimidation while not interfering with the civil liberties of the individual. The Bill will also expand on the definition of domestic violence, relevant person and relative. Finally the Bill renames the *Protection Orders Act 2001* to the *Domestic Violence and Protection Orders Act 2001*.

*Scrutiny Report No. 56*

**Drugs of Dependence Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Health) – 11 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* to clarify the procedures for medical practitioners and the Chief Health Officer must take when prescribing a drug of dependence.

*Scrutiny Report No. 1*

**Drugs of Dependence Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Health) – 7 March 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* to update the act in relation to certain terminology, validate approvals issued by the Chief Health Officer since 1989 to medical practitioners to prescribe drugs of dependence for their patients and bring fines into line with those applying under Territory legislation.

*Scrutiny Report No. 7; GR in Report No. 10*

**Drugs of Dependence Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stefaniak – 24 September 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* to update penalties in relation to the use and cultivation of prohibited substances.

*Scrutiny Report No. 38*

**Drugs of Dependence (Cannabis for Medical Conditions) Amendment Bill 2004 – Ms Tucker – 30 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* by making provisions in that Act to permit people suffering from chronic pain and a range of illnesses to self medicate, legally, with cannabis. It will also permit the growing of cannabis plants for that purpose.

*Scrutiny Report No. 54*

**Drugs of Dependence (Syringe Vending Machines) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989* by providing a legislative base for the distribution of needles and syringes via vending machines. The Bill will also provide for the protection of those who are approved to distribute syringes in this manner from prosecution under the *Criminal Code 2002*.

*Scrutiny Report No. 53*

**Duties Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 7 March 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999* to define the term “life insurance” and add it to the list of exempt insurance to avoid the possibility of double duty.

*Scrutiny Report No. 7; GR in Report No. 8*

**Duties Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999* to incorporate changes already made to the NSW Duties Act and other changes specific to the Act.

*Scrutiny Report No. 24*

**Duties (Insurance Exemptions) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 16 May 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999* to limit new duty exemptions to public liability insurance and other general insurance prescribed by Ministerial guidelines.

*Scrutiny Report No. 13; GR in Report No. 15*

**Duties (Personal Relationship Agreements) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 9 May 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999* to create equitable duty exemptions for similar transactions relating to the termination of personal relationships.

Scrutiny Report No. 12

**Education Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill will repeal the *Education Act 1937*, the *Free Education Act 1906*, the *Public Instruction Act 1880* and the *Schools Authority Act 1976*. The purpose of the Bill is to consolidate, update and replace existing legislation for the education of children in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 44; GR in Report No. 50

**Electoral Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Tucker – 6 March 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to impose greater disclosure requirements on Parties and MLAs in relation to electoral funding and expenditure.

Scrutiny Report No. 7

**Electoral Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 29 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to defer the start of the next redistribution of electoral boundaries until after 30 April 2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 19

**Electoral Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 8 May 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to clarify some procedures and to remove some inconsistencies within the Act. The amendments are based on recommendations made by the ACT Electoral Commission in its report, 'The 2001 ACT Legislative Assembly Election: Review of the Electoral Act 1992'.

Scrutiny Report No. 33

**Electoral Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to increase the length of the term of the ACT Legislative Assembly members from fixed three year terms to fixed four year terms.

Scrutiny Report No. 40

**Electoral Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stefaniak – 4 August 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to change the election day for the Australian Capital Territory from the third Saturday in October to the second Saturday in November.

Scrutiny Report No. 55

**Electricity (Greenhouse Gas Emissions) Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will introduce a scheme to reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with the production and use of electricity and will encourage participation in activities to offset the production of greenhouse gas emissions.

Scrutiny Report No. 53; GR in Report No. 54

**Emergencies Bill 2004 – Mr Wood (Minister for Police and Emergency Services) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will enable the replacement of the existing Emergency Services Bureau with a new, independent Emergency Services Authority. It also consolidates and modernises those Acts in the Territory governing emergency services.

Scrutiny Report No. 50; GR in Report No. 52

**Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Environment) – 1 April 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Nature Conservation Act 1980* to ensure that any unlicensed clearing of native vegetation in a reserved area or damaging of land in a reserved area is illegal, subject to certain exemptions. The Bill will also amend the *Environment Protection Act 1997* to require all agencies and entities to report, in their annual reports, on their compliance with environmental laws and standards.

Scrutiny Report No. 47

**Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 26 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Evidence (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1991* by replacing part 4 of that Act. The new part 4 will contain all the law governing evidence in a sexual offence proceeding in ACT Courts.

Scrutiny Report No. 36; GR in Report No. 38

**Fair Trading Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Tucker – 6 March 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Fair Trading Act 1992* to require adequate assessment by financial institutions in determining a debtor's capacity to pay when issuing credit cards.

Scrutiny Report No. 7

**Financial Legislation (Integrity and Responsibility) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Humphries – 11 December 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* and the *Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Act 1995*. It is designed to improve the scrutiny of the ACT's financial operations by enshrining certain principles of sound financial management into law, and by updating the financial information at appropriate intervals, especially prior to ACT elections.

Scrutiny Report No. 24

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2001 (No 4) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 11 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to clarify financial management practices.

Scrutiny Report No. 1

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 22 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to ensure that the Act remains strong and effective in regulating the conduct of the Territory's fiscal operations.

Scrutiny Report No. 18

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill proposes a number of amendments to the *Financial Management Act 1996* designed to ensure that it remains strong and effective in regulating the conduct of the Territory's fiscal operations.

*Scrutiny Report No. 31*

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2003 (No. 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 21 August 2003**

This Bill proposes a number of amendments to the *Financial Management Act 1996* designed to improve financial management processes in the Territory by addressing the principles contained in other jurisdictions' Charters of Budget Honesty and Financial Responsibility.

*Scrutiny Report No. 37*

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2003 (No. 3) – Ms Dundas – 26 November 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* to clarify the circumstances in which the Treasurer's Advance may be used, by limiting its use to situations where it is not possible to raise an appropriation Bill because of the urgency of the required expenditure. It will also specify that if money allocated from the Treasurer's Advance is not spent in that same financial year, the money must be returned to the Territory Banking Account for allocation in the next budget. The Bill also clarifies the meaning of the requirement that the expenditure be 'unforeseen'.

*Scrutiny Report No. 44*

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 4 March 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* by improving the budget amendment provisions in the Act.

*Scrutiny Report No. 46*

**Financial Management Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Financial Management Act 1996* by amending the Treasurer's Advance provisions within that Act. It will provide for urgent and unforeseen expenditure, clarify the term 'expenditure' and improve the timeliness for reporting Treasurer's Advance authorisations.

*Scrutiny Report No. 50*

**Firearms (Prohibited Pistols) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Police and Emergency Services) – 17 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Firearms Act 1996* and the *Firearms Regulations 1997* to give effect to an agreement late last year by the Council of Australian Governments to place greater restrictions on access to certain types of pistols.

*Scrutiny Report No. 34*

**Fire, Emergency Services and Ambulance Authorities Bill 2003 – Mr Pratt – 20 August 2003**

This Bill will establish independent authorities to supervise bushfire-fighting services (including the rural firefighting service), the ACT emergency service, the fire brigade and the ambulance service.

*Scrutiny Report No. 37*



**First Home Owner Grant Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 11 April 2002**

This Bill will amend the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* to extend the amount of \$3000 under First Home Owner Grant Scheme for first homebuyers until 30 June 2002.

*Scrutiny Report No. 8*

**First Home Owner Grant Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill will amend the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* by restricting the circumstances in which the First Home Owner Grant may be paid to applicants who are under 18 years of age. It also introduces a six-month residence period which applicants must satisfy for entitlement to the grant.

*Scrutiny Report No. 41*

**Gaming Machine (Allocation) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stefaniak – 18 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to enable hotels and taverns access to class B and C gaming machines. The Bill would further reserve 192 class B and C gaming machines for hotels and taverns and 5008 class B and C gaming machines for licensed clubs.

*Scrutiny Report No. 34*

**Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 10 February 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* by making a number of amendments. Firstly it will reintroduce the incentive scheme for licensed clubs to contribute to women's sport. The Bill will also allow tavern owners in the ACT access to a more modern type of gaming machine and finally it will propose that the cap on the number of gaming machines in the ACT will again be set at 5 200 for a further 12 months to 30 June 2005.

*Scrutiny Report No. 44; GR in Report No. 46*

**Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Stefaniak – 11 February 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to enable hotels and taverns access to class B gaming machines. The Bill will also enable clubs that have more than one premises to transfer machines within the total number of machines held within the club between premises.

*Scrutiny Report No. 44*

**Gaming Machine Amendment Bill 2004 (No 3) – Ms Dundas – 13 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* by ensuring that automatic teller machines are not present in venues that are licensed to operate gaming machines under the Act.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52*

**Gaming Machine (Appropriate Premises) Amendment Bill 2003 – Ms Tucker – 18 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to create a basis for the Gambling and Racing Commission to take into account the aspects of social impact that must be considered in relation to licensed premises when it considers issuing a gaming machine licence to a club.

*Scrutiny Report No. 34*

**Gaming Machine Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill replaces the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* and incorporates the Government's response to the Gambling and Racing Commission's review of that Act. It will also incorporate drafting and minor amendments of a non-technical nature to ensure that the A.C.T.'s gaming machine legislation is up to date and relevant.

Scrutiny Report No. 50; GR in Report No. 52

**Gaming Machine (Cap) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 11 April 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to limit the number of licenced gaming machines.

Scrutiny Report No. 8

**Gaming Machine (Cap) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 13 March 2003**

This Bill will extend the expiry date of the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* (principal Act) to 30 June 2005 to allow for the completion of the review of the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 30

**Gaming Machine (Political Donations) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mrs Cross – 7 May 2003**

This Bill will remove the right for community clubs that have gaming machine licences to donate to political parties or individuals standing for office.

Scrutiny Report No. 33

**Gaming Machine (Women's Sports) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 11 April 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to allow licensed clubs to claim \$4.00 for every \$3.00 spent on the women's sport.

Scrutiny Report No. 8; GR in Report No. 10

**Gene Technology Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 21 February 2002**

This Bill will contribute to the national framework for the regulation and use of gene technology.

Scrutiny Report No. 4; GR in Report No.10 & 12

**Gene Technology (GM Crop Moratorium) Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 11 March 2004**

This Bill will create a legislative framework for the prohibition of the commercial production of certain genetically modified food crops in the Territory for a period of three years.

Scrutiny Report No. 47; GR in Report No. 52

**GMO (Environment Protection) Bill 2003 – Ms Tucker – 26 November 2003**

This Bill will impose a blanket ban on the environmental release of genetically modified organisms.

Scrutiny Report No. 44

**Government Procurement Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill will create a single piece of procurement specific legislation by amending the *Government Procurement Act 2001* to incorporate the provisions of the *Public Access to Government Contracts Act 2000* and the *Government Contractual Debts (Interests) Act 1994* and repeals those two Acts.

Scrutiny Report No. 31

**Government Procurement (Principles) Guideline Amendment Bill 2003 – Ms Dundas – 27 August 2003**

This Bill will amend the Government Procurement (Principles) Guideline 2002 which was made under the *Government Procurement Act 2001*. The Bill will encourage the purchase of open source software by the ACT public sector, including Territory owned corporations.

Scrutiny Report No. 37

**Gungahlin Drive Extension Authorisation Bill 2004 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will facilitate the construction of the Gungahlin Drive Extension as soon as possible so that the residents of the growing Gungahlin area have appropriate levels of access to other parts of Canberra.

Scrutiny Report No. 49

**Gungahlin Drive Extension Authorisation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 29 June 2004**

This Bill amends the *Gungahlin Drive Extension Authorisation Act 2004* and will facilitate the construction of the Gungahlin Drive Extension through reserved land.

Scrutiny Report No. 53

**Hawkers Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will implement the recommendations made in the National Competition Policy review of the *Hawkers Act 1936*, which streamline the regulation of hawkers and remove anti-competitive provisions, and to be more consistent with other jurisdictions in their treatment of hawkers.

Scrutiny Report No. 24; GR in Report No. 32

**Health Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 28 August 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Health Act 1993* and is intended to enable the terms and conditions of engagement of visiting medical officers to be determined by collective negotiation.

Scrutiny Report No. 37

**Health and Community Care Services (Repeal and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Health) – 21 November 2002**

This Bill will repeal the *Health and Community Care Services Act 1996* and enacts consequential provisions in the *Drugs of Dependence Act 1989*; *Health Act 1993*; *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994*, and *Victims of Crime Regulations 2000*. It abolishes the Health and Community Care Services and, with the exception of disability services, brings the service into the Department of Health.

Scrutiny Report No. 23

**Health Professionals Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will consolidate and update existing health professional laws relating to the regulation of health professionals in the ACT. It will protect the community by ensuring that the people who provide a regulated health service are competent to provide such services.

Scrutiny Report No. 47

**Health Professionals Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 11 March 2004**

This Bill will make consequential amendments to a number of Acts. These amendments follow from the proposed replacement of current laws relating to the regulation of health professionals in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 47

**Health Regulation (Maternal Health Information) Repeal Bill 2001 – Mr Berry – 12 December 2001**

This Bill will repeal the *Health Regulation (Maternal Health Information) Act 1998* to reflect a decision by the High Court (*Rogers versus Whitaker*).

Scrutiny Report No. 2

**Hemp Fibre Industry Facilitation Bill 2004 – Mrs Burke – 30 June 2004**

This Bill will allow for the cultivation of hemp for certain commercial uses in the A.C.T.

Scrutiny Report No. 54

**Heritage Bill 2004 – Mr Wood (Minister for Arts and Heritage) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill makes significant reforms to processes dealing with the registration and conservation of heritage places and objects in the A.C.T.

Scrutiny Report No. 52: GR in Report No. 55

**Human Cloning and Embryo Research Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill forms the ACT component of the nationally consistent scheme to prohibit human cloning and regulate research involving excess human embryos agreed to at the Council of Australian Government's meeting on 5 April 2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 45

**Human Cloning (Prohibition) Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 30 March 2004**

This Bill will adopt in the ACT a uniform Australian approach to the prohibition of human cloning and certain other practices associated with reproductive technology.

**Human Embryo (Research) Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 30 March 2004**

This Bill will give effect in the ACT to a nationally consistent scheme for the regulation of activities involving the use of certain human embryos created by assisted reproductive technology.

**Human Rights Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 18 November 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Annual Reports (Government Agencies) Act 1996*, the *Discrimination Act 1991* and the *Legislation Act 2001*. It will recognise fundamental civil and political rights in Territory law and will also promote respect for and protection of human rights in the development of new law. This Bill will also increase transparency about the consideration of human rights in parliamentary procedures.

Scrutiny Report No. 42; GR in Report No. 45

**Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 23 October 2003**

This Bill amends the *Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission Act 1997* and will allow certain fees and charges affecting the cost of providing a utility or regulated service to be passed on in full to the consumers of the service, without having to first go through the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission.

Scrutiny Report No. 39

**Inquiries Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Humphries – 20 February 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Inquiries Act 1991* to allow the Executive to release inquiry reports while the Assembly is not sitting and allow people to discuss the contents of reports without fear of legal action.

Scrutiny Report No. 4

**Inquiries Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Ms Dundas – 21 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Inquiries Act 1991* by omitting Section 14A(3) regarding the tabling of reports which states that “where a report or part of a report is made public by the Chief Minister before it is laid before the Legislative Assembly, the report or part attracts the same privileges and immunities as if the report or part had been laid before the Assembly”.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Inquiries Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 28 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Inquiries Act 1991* to incorporate recommendations made during the review of the Inquiries Act conducted by the Chief Minister’s Department.

Scrutiny Report No. 37; GR in Report No. 38

**Insurance Compensation Framework Bill 2002 – Mr Smyth – 21 August 2002**

This Bill will implement a regulatory framework for public liability in the ACT. It sets out a comprehensive framework to regulate the area, imposing obligations on injured parties, insurers, business operators and legal practitioners.

Scrutiny Report No. 19

**Intoxicated Persons (Care and Protection) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Intoxicated Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1994* by expanding the search and seizure powers of carers at a licensed sobering-up facility.

Scrutiny Report No. 53

**Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope  
(Attorney-General) – 27 June 2002**

This Bill will amend the: *Pawnbrokers Act 1902*; *Crown Proceedings Act 1992*; *Legal Practitioners Act 1970*; *Second-hand Dealers Act 1906*; *Agents Act 1968*; and other legislation relating to the Public Trustee; and consequential amendments as a result of the Goods and Services Tax.

*Scrutiny Report No. 17*

**Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope  
(Attorney-General) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill amends a number of laws administered by the ACT Department of Justice and Community Safety.

*Scrutiny Report No. 24*

**Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope  
(Attorney-General) – 26 June 2003**

This Bill makes a number of substantive as well as technical amendments to portfolio legislation.

*Scrutiny Report No. 35*

**Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope  
(Attorney-General) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill makes a number of substantive and minor technical amendments to portfolio legislation.

*Scrutiny Report No. 44; GR in Report No. 47*

**Justice and Community Safety Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will make a number of substantive as well as minor and technical amendments to laws administered by the Department of Justice and Community Safety.

*Scrutiny Report No. 50; GR in Report No. 52*

**Lakes Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 26 September 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Lakes Act 1976* to allow the Minister to recognise and accredit interstate powerboat licence holders as being able to use the Molonglo Reach without having to apply for a further licence within the ACT. The Bill also reflects amendments to the *Environment Protection Act 1997* by changing the name of the Environment Management Authority to Environment Protection Authority.

*Scrutiny Report No. 20*

**Land (Planning and Environment) Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 – Ms Tucker –  
12 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Regulations 1992* to remove the restriction on third party appeal rights on development applications relating to single houses that are notified to adjoining leaseholders.

*Scrutiny Report No. 2*

**Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Tucker – 20 February 2002**

This Bill will amend provisions in the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991*, relating to development approvals.

*Scrutiny Report No. 4*

**Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2004 – Ms Tucker – 3 March 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* by removing the power of the Minister for Planning to call in, and make decisions on, applications for the approval of development under part 6 of the Act.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52*

**Land (Planning and Environment) Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Acting Minister for Planning) – 1 July 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* by improving the operation of the consent to lease transfer provisions to stop speculative transfers of undeveloped residential land.

*Scrutiny Report No. 54*

**Land (Planning and Environment) (Compliance) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 20 February 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* and subordinate laws to alter planning and leasing compliance powers and to streamline issues relating to building encroachment issues.

*Scrutiny Report No. 26*

**Land (Planning and Environment) (Unit Developments) Amendment Bill 2004 – Ms Tucker – 30 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* to ensure that there are mechanisms in place to guarantee that the A.C.T. maintain a stock of affordable housing for the community.

*Scrutiny Report No. 54*

**Land Tax Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill is the result of splitting the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to separate the land tax provisions from those applying to rates. It will provide for the imposition of land tax, its payment and exemptions from liability.

*Scrutiny Report No. 43*

**Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 22 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1955* by abolishing common law offences and torts concerning the doctrines of maintenance, champerty and being a common barrator.

*Scrutiny Report No. 18*

**Legal Practitioners Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Smyth – 21 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Legal Practitioners Act 1970* to prohibit solicitors to suggest in their advertising that the solicitor will not charge costs to the client if the client's litigation is unsuccessful.

*Scrutiny Report No. 18*

**Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 21 February 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Legislation Act 2001* to complete the framework for the Public Access to Legislation project.

*Scrutiny Report No. 4; GR in Report No. 9*

**Legislation (Gay, Lesbian and Transgender) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill is the first stage of a law reform process to address discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in the ACT.

*Scrutiny Report No. 24*

**Legislation (Statutory Interpretation) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 13 March 2003**

This Bill will clarify provisions brought over to the *Legislation Act 2001* from the *Interpretation Act 1967*.

*Scrutiny Report No. 30*

**Legislative Assembly (Broadcasting) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Berry – 20 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Legislative Assembly (Broadcasting) Act 2001* by allowing the Speaker to, in writing, direct that a person be given access to the recording and transmission facilities of the Legislative Assembly for transmission of the Assembly or a committee of the Assembly.

*Scrutiny Report No. 23*

**Legislative Assembly Precincts Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Berry – 20 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Legislative Assembly Precincts Act 2001* by delegating to two specified officers of the Legislative Assembly Secretariat the power to remove a person from the Assembly precincts or to prevent a person from entering the Assembly precincts.

*Scrutiny Report No. 23*

**Litter Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Tucker – 20 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Litter Act 1977* by addressing the issue of the huge amount of unsolicited advertising material placed in letterboxes.

*Scrutiny Report No. 23*

**Litter Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will repeal the *Litter Act 1977* and replace it with an Act which reflects contemporary litter control legislation.

*Scrutiny Report No. 46; GR in Report No. 47*



**Litter (Littering from Motor Vehicles) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Cornwell –  
22 October 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Litter Act 1977* by making the owner of a vehicle, rather than the driver, liable for any littering offence that the vehicle itself is involved in.

*Scrutiny Report No. 39*

**Long Service Leave Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for  
Industrial Relations) – 21 August 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Long Service Leave Act 1976*, the *Long Service Leave (Building and Construction Industry) Act 1981* and the *Long Service Leave (Contract Cleaning Industry) Act 1999* to ensure that public holidays are not counted in periods of long service leave. A further amendment to the *Long Service Leave Act 1976* will address an inconsistency with existing ACT and New South Wales legislation around access to pro rata long service leave entitlements.

*Scrutiny Report No. 37*

**Long Service Leave (Private Sector) Bill 2003 – Mr Berry – 7 May 2003**

This Bill will provide a long service leave scheme for private sector workers not already covered by schemes in the building and construction industry and the contract cleaning industry.

*Scrutiny Report No. 32*

**Magistrates Court (Refund of Fees) Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Tucker – 26 June 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Magistrates Court Act 1930* to allow for the refund of fees for the review of decisions by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal where an appeal is ruled in the applicant's favour.

*Scrutiny Report No. 17*

**Maternal Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 – Mrs Dunne – 5 June 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Health Regulation (Maternal Health Information) Act 1998* to make compulsory the provision of prescribed information to women contemplating an abortion. This Bill will also amend the *Crimes Act 1900* to make coercion of abortion illegal and to reduce the penalties faced by a woman who has undergone an illegal abortion.

*Scrutiny Report No. 16*

**Medical Practitioners (Maternal Health) Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Gallagher –  
15 May 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Medical Practitioners Act 1930* to ensure that medical practitioners and women will have necessary protection when undergoing or performing an abortion. These amendments will only come into force if the Crimes (Abolition of Offence of Abortion) Bill 2001 is passed by the Assembly.

*Scrutiny Report No. 16*

**Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope  
(Attorney-General) – 29 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* to give a specific power to the Supreme Court to order a stay of a decision of the Mental Health Tribunal until an appeal is heard.

*Scrutiny Report No. 19*

**Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Mental Health (Treatment and Care) Act 1994* by providing a clear legal basis for the involuntary treatment, care, detention and restraint of persons with a mental dysfunction.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**National Environment Protection Council Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 14 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *National Environment Protection Council Act 1994*. The amendments will provide a simplified process for making minor variations to the National Environment Protection Measures. The amendments will also require five-yearly reviews of the *National Environment Protection Council Act 1994* and allow the National Environment Protection Council Service Corporation to provide support and assistance to other ministerial councils.

Scrutiny Report No. 21

**Nature Conservation (Native Vegetation Protection) Amendment Bill 2004 – Ms Dundas – 30 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Nature Conservation Act 1980* to protect patches of vegetation supporting species native to the A.C.T. larger than 0.2 hectares.

Scrutiny Report No. 54

**Nurses Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 8 May 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Nurses Act 1988* to include nurse practitioners following the successful trial of the Nurse Practitioner role in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 32; GR in Report No. 34

**Nurse Practitioners Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will make consequential amendments to a number of Acts to enable occupants of nurse practitioner positions to fulfil their expanded role.

Scrutiny Report No. 45; GR in Report No. 48

**Occupational Health and Safety Amendment Bill 2004 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 12 February 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 1989* by establishing an enhanced compliance and enforcement framework for workplace safety in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 45; GR in Report No. 47

**Payroll Tax Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Payroll Tax Act 1987* by extending a payroll tax exemption to employers in respect to wages paid to A.C.T. employees utilising paid maternity, adoption and/or primary carer leave.

Scrutiny Report No. 53

**Parentage Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill will consolidate provisions from three Acts into one statute about legal recognition of parentage and family relationships. The *Artificial Conception Act 1986*, the *Birth (Equality of Status) Act 1988* and the *Substitute Parent Agreements Act 1994* are repealed and their provisions included in this Bill.

Scrutiny Report No. 41; GR in Report No. 46

**Partnership (Venture Capital Funds) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Partnership Act 1963* by providing a regulatory framework for the formation and operation of incorporated limited partnerships in the A.C.T.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Pharmacy Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Health) – 7 March 2002**

This Bill will delay the commencement of the *Pharmacy Amendment Act 2001* until 1 June 2002.

Scrutiny Report No. 6

**Pharmacy Amendment Bill 2004 – Mrs Cross – 31 March 2004**

This Bill will ensure that pharmacies in the ACT operate out of their own premises and not as sub-lessees of supermarkets.

Scrutiny Report No. 51

**Pharmacy Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Corbell (Minister for Health) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Pharmacy Act 1931* by facilitating the entry of friendly society pharmacies into the A.C.T. pharmacy sector.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Planning and Land Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 27 June 2002**

This Bill will establish the Planning and Land Authority, the Planning and Land Council, the office of Chief Planning Executive, the Land Development Agency, the Land Agency Board, and the office of Chief Executive Officer of the Land Development Agency.

Scrutiny Report No. 17 & 20; GR in Report No. 20 & 22

**Planning and Land (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Planning) – 26 September 2002**

This Bill provides for the amendment of various Acts and regulations as a consequence of the enactment of the *Planning and Land Act 2002*. The Bill also makes a number of minor technical and corrective amendments.

Scrutiny Report No. 20

**Planning and Land Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Corbell – Minister for Planning – 8 May 2003**

This Bill provides for the amendment of various Acts and regulations and repeals the *Kingston Foreshore Development Act* and the *Gungahlin Development Act*.

Scrutiny Report No. 32

**Plant Diseases Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 27 June 2002**

This Bill will replace the *Plant Diseases Act 1934* and the *Plant Diseases Regulations 1938* and will establish new provisions for the regulation of issues relating to plant diseases in the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 17; GR in Report No. 18

**Projects of Territorial Significance Bill 2004 – Mrs Dunne – 13 May 2004**

This Bill will allow a Chief Minister to declare, by regulation, a project to be of territorial significance and therefore streamline the approval procedures.

Scrutiny Report No. 49

**Prostitution Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 29 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Prostitution Act 1972* by addressing a number of concerns which have arisen in relation to the definition of “sexually transmitted diseases”, confidentiality for private sex workers and the lack of regulatory power to prevent persons who have been convicted of particular offences from being involved in the industry.

Scrutiny Report No. 19

**Public Access to Government Contracts Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 22 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Public Access to Government Contracts Act 2000* to confirm the responsibilities of Chief Executive Officers to put in place appropriate measures to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Act and specify agency reporting requirements under the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 18

**Public Access to Government Contracts Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Ms Dundas – 11 December 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Public Access to Government Contracts Act 2000* to ensure open governance of the ACT.

Scrutiny Report No. 24

**Public Place Names Amendment Bill 2002 – Ms Dundas – 20 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Public Place Names Act 1989* by ensuring that women are fairly represented in the naming of a division or public place.

Scrutiny Report No. 23

**Public Sector Management Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill amends the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* to provide for the transfer of Totalcare staff to the ACT Public Service.

Scrutiny Report No. 41

**Public Sector Management Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* by amending elements of contract employment arrangements for chief executives and executives of the A.C.T. public service.

Scrutiny Report No. 50

**Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 9 May 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to adjust the rating assessment for all properties for 2002-2003 by increasing rates charges during 2001-2002 by the CPI and capping rates increases at 29%.

Scrutiny Report No. 10

**Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to implement a new rating system. The new system will limit the increase in rates for long term residents and will defer the impact of increases in the Average Unimproved Value of a parcel of land until the land is sold.

Scrutiny Report No. 31

**Rates and Land Tax Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 19 June 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to provide the legislative mechanism to raise rates on all rateable property in the Territory from 1 July 2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 34

**Rates Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill will repeal the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* and the *Rates and Land Rent (Relief) Act 1970* and deals with the administration of rates and their concessions.

Scrutiny Report No. 43

**Registration of Deeds Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 8 May 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Registration of Deeds Act 1957* to prevent a person registering a deed poll under the Act in order to record a change of name.

Scrutiny Report No. 32

**Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Minister for Emergency Services, Police and Corrections) – 19 February 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Act 2001* to provide for the operation of home detention and parole and establish the Sentence Administration Board.

Scrutiny Report No. 3

**Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Corrections) – 21 November 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Act 2001*; the *Remand Centres Act 1976* and the *Crimes Act 1900* by identifying and amending a number of deficiencies regarding the operation of the Territory's parole system and the job of the Sentence Administration Board.

Scrutiny Report No. 23

**Residential Property (Awareness of Asbestos) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mrs Cross – 4 August 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to require that premises subject to a proposed residential tenancy agreement will need to report the presence of asbestos, its exact location on the premises and type of asbestos product located. The Bill will also amend the *Civil Law (Sale of Residential Property) Regulations 2004* to require Building Inspector reports to include whether asbestos is present on the property or not.

Scrutiny Report No. 55

**Residential Tenancies Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 24 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* by addressing certain occupancy agreements that have not previously been addressed under the Act. It also makes a number of minor and technical amendments to the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 53

**Residential Tenancies (Assisted Tenants) Bill 2003 – Mrs Burke – 10 December 2003**

This Bill will create a public housing rental environment to ensure tenants are entitled to security of housing while simultaneously maintaining continued housing assistance for those most in need in the community.

Scrutiny Report No. 44

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 25 June 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Payroll Tax Act 1987* and the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* as a consequence of initiatives introduced by the 2002-2003 Budget.

Scrutiny Report No. 17; GR in Report No. 18

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 14 November 2002**

This Bill will make a number of minor and technical amendments to three acts administered by the Commissioner for ACT Revenue: the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000*; the *Payroll Tax Act 1987*; and the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926*.

Scrutiny Report No. 22; GR in Report No. 23

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 6 May 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Duties Act 1999* and the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* to provide the legislative basis for Revenue Initiatives announced in the 2003-04 Budget.

Scrutiny Report No. 32

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 19 June 2003**

This Bill is an omnibus Bill that will amend the *Duties Act 1999* and the *Gaming Machine Act 1987* by implementing revenue initiatives in the 2003-04 Budget.

Scrutiny Report No. 34

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 (No 3) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill amends the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926* to clarify the method of imposing land tax on units. It also amends the *Taxation Administration Act 1999* to protect the secrecy of taxpayer information collected under the *Taxation (Administration) Act 1987*.

Scrutiny Report No. 41

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill amends the *Taxation Administration Act 1999* by ensuring that directors or former directors of corporations are liable for their corporation's unpaid taxes. It also amends the *Payroll Tax Act 1987* to make every member of a group jointly and severally liable for the payroll tax debts of every other member of the group.

Scrutiny Report No. 52; GR in Report No. 54

**Revenue Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 (No 2) – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 22 June 2004**

This Bill amends the *Taxation Administration Act 1999* and the *Rates Act 2004* by allowing the Commissioner for ACT Revenue to disclose the unimproved value of every rateable parcel of land in the ACT to the public and ensures that the release of this information is not restricted to particular persons.

Scrutiny Report No. 52; GR in Report No. 53

**Roads and Public Places (Vandalism) Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill amends the *Roads and Public Places Act 1937* to facilitate the rapid removal of graffiti from property and leased Territory land and the protection of abandoned vehicles from vandals. The Bill is part of a comprehensive whole of government strategy being developed to combat vandalism in Canberra.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 21 February 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1999* relating to the recording of demerit points and to remove ambiguity regarding licence suspensions when the prescribed amount of demerit points are incurred.

Scrutiny Report No. 4

**Road Transport (General) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 11 December 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* to address an irregularity which threatens the capacity to enforce infringement notices issued under the Act for offences such as camera detected speeding and red light offences.

Scrutiny Report No. 45

**Road Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 16 May 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Road Transport (Driver Licensing) Act 1999* and the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* and the *Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulations 2000*.

Scrutiny Report No. 13; GR in Report No. 16

**Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Road Transport (Public Passenger Services) Act 2001* and the *Road Transport (General) Act 1999* to consolidate legislation for public passenger services in one Act.  
*Scrutiny Report No. 31; GR in Report No. 32*

**Royal Commissions Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Chief Minister) – 28 August 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Royal Commissions Act 1991* and will make the inquiry process under the Act fairer by providing certainty in relation to protection for fair and accurate comments made in relation to a Royal Commission Report, and to provide protection for a person publishing and reporting fairly on the Royal Commission's Report. These amendments are a consequence of the recent review of the Inquiries Act conducted by the Chief Minister's Department.

*Scrutiny Report No. 37; GR in Report No. 38*

**Security Industry Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will provide a framework for regulation of the ACT security industry, with the specific requirements for aspects of the security industry in the ACT to come into line with other jurisdictions.

*Scrutiny Report No. 24*

**Sentencing Reform Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stefaniak – 2 April 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Supreme Court Act 1933*, the *Crimes Act 1900* and the *Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Act 2001*.

*Scrutiny Report No. 31*

**Sentencing Reform Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stefaniak – 13 May 2004**

This Bill will make a number of amendments to the *Supreme Court Act 1933*, the *Crimes Act 1900*, the *Criminal Code 2002* and the *Rehabilitation of Offenders (Interim) Act 2001*.

*Scrutiny Report No. 52*

**Sexuality Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 20 November 2003**

This Bill amends a number of Acts to remove discrimination relating to sexuality and relationship status in ACT legislation.

*Scrutiny Report No. 41; GR in Report No. 46*

**Small Business Commissioner Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Minister for Economic Development, Business and Tourism)**

This Bill will provide for the establishment of the office of the Small Business Commissioner to enhance a competitive and fair operating environment for small business in the A.C.T.

*Scrutiny Report No. 55*

**Smoking (Prohibition in Enclosed Public Places) Bill 2003 – Mrs Cross – 25 June 2003**

This Bill will work towards smoke free enclosed public places in the ACT.

*Scrutiny Report No. 35*



**Statute Law Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 9 May 2002**

This Bill will amend or repeal certain Acts and regulations for the purpose of statute law revision to ensure that the ACT's statute book is of the highest standard.

*Scrutiny Report No. 14; GR in Report No. 15*

**Statute Law Amendment Bill 2002 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 14 November 2002**

This Bill will further enhance the ACT's statute book to ensure that it is of the highest standard. It does this by amending and repealing certain Acts and regulations for statute law revision purposes.

*Scrutiny Report No. 21*

**Statute Law Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 8 May 2003**

This Bill will amend and repeal certain Acts and regulations for statute law revision purposes to further enhance the ACT's statute book to ensure that it is of the highest standard.

*Scrutiny Report No. 32*

**Statute Law Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 23 October 2003**

This Bill will amend and repeal certain Acts and regulations for the purpose of statute law revision to improve the overall quality of the ACT statute book so that laws are kept up-to-date, easier to find, read and understand.

*Scrutiny Report No. 39*

**Statute Law Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 1 April 2004**

This Bill will amend certain Acts and regulations for statute law revision purposes to improve the quality of the ACT's statute book by making it simpler, more consistent and more coherent.

*Scrutiny Report No. 47*

**Supreme Court Amendment Bill 2001 (No 2) – Mr Stefaniak – 12 December 2001**

This Bill will amend the *Supreme Court Act 1933* to provide for the Crown in certain circumstances to apply to the court of Appeal for an order to review an acquittal of a defendant by the Supreme Court.

*Scrutiny Report No. 2*

**Taxation (Government Business Enterprises) Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 12 December 2002**

This Bill will give legislative effect to a Memorandum of Understanding which was signed by all the States and Territories in 2001 for the implementation and administration of the National Tax Equivalent Regime which deals with liability to pay income tax. It will also provide a simple, transparent and open system to determine and identify those Government business entities which will be liable to pay all Territory taxes for example, rates, land tax, payroll tax and stamp duty.

*Scrutiny Report No. 24; GR Scrutiny Report No. 27*

**Territory Owned Corporations Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 1 July 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Territory Owned Corporations Act 1990* to improve and update the accountability arrangements of Territory owned corporations. The Bill will also address certain inconsistencies in the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 54

**Territory Records Bill 2002 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 11 April 2002**

This Bill will provide for records management for the Territory and establish the position of Director of Territory Records and the Territory Records Advisory Council.

Scrutiny Report No. 8

**Tertiary Accreditation and Registration Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill will consolidate all accreditation and registration regulation in the one Act under the ACT Accreditation and Registration Council and should be considered in conjunction with the Vocational Education and Training Bill 2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 31

**Tobacco (Vending Machine Ban) Amendment Bill 2004 – Ms Dundas – 23 June 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Tobacco Act 1927* by prohibiting the use of vending machines for the purpose of selling tobacco products in the A.C.T.

Scrutiny Report No. 53; Private Member Response Report No. 54

**Treasury Legislation Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 7 March 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Taxation Administration Act 1999*, the *Rates and Land Tax Act 1926*, the *Rates and Land Tax Rent (Relief) Act 1970* and the *Payroll Tax Act 1987* to establish default processes which will eliminate the need for frequent determinations to be made by the Minister.

Scrutiny Report No. 7

**Tree Protection Bill 2004 – Mr Stanhope (Minister for Environment) – 14 May 2004**

This Bill will replace the *Tree Protection (Interim Scheme) Act 2001* with legislation to significantly improve the protection of trees throughout the city and will ensure the benefits of the urban forest can be enjoyed into the future.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Utilities Amendment Bill 2004 – Mr Quinlan (Treasurer) – 5 August 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Utilities Act 2000* to ensure that the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission may recover costs relating to all of its functions.

Scrutiny Report No. 55

**Validation of Fees (Cemeteries) Bill 2003 – Mr Wood (Minister for Urban Services) – 27 November 2003**

This Bill will ensure a legal basis for fees which have been charged for cemetery services between 1 July 2001 and 14 November 2003.

Scrutiny Report No. 41

**Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) Amendment Bill 2003 – Mr Stanhope (Attorney-General) – 28 August 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) Act 1983* and the *Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) Regulations 1998*. The amendments are consequential upon the Government's response to a review of the operation of the *Victims of Crime (Financial Assistance) Act 1983* and the victims services scheme and amends the Act by removing awards in respect of pain and suffering for police officers, ambulance officers and firefighters. Awards in respect of pain and suffering for victims of sexual offences are also removed to place all victims of crime on an equal footing.

Scrutiny Report No. 37

**Vocational Education and Training Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Education, Youth and Family Services) – 3 April 2003**

This Bill in conjunction with the Tertiary Accreditation and Registration Bill 2003 will bring ACT regulatory arrangements on vocational education and training and higher education into line with the requirements of the nationally agreed Australian Quality Framework. This Bill repeals the *Vocational Education and Training Act 1995* and the *Vocational Education and Training Regulations 1998*.

Scrutiny Report No. 31

**Water and Sewerage Amendment Bill 2004 – Mrs Dunne – 13 May 2004**

This Bill will amend the *Water and Sewerage Act 2000* and the *Water and Sewerage Regulations 2001* by instituting a new system of mandatory water efficiency measures.

Scrutiny Report No. 52

**Workers Compensation (Acts of Terrorism) Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 6 June 2002**

This Bill will require any acts of terrorism occurring within the next two years to be subject to a pool arrangement scheme.

Scrutiny Report No. 16: GR in Report No. 17

**Workers Compensation Amendment Bill 2003 – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 19 June 2003**

This Bill will make minor amendments to the *Workers Compensation Act 1951* to extend the operation of the temporary provisions for acts of terrorism and make changes to the auditing requirements for wages declarations for the purposes of the workers compensation policies.

Scrutiny Report No. 34

**Workers Compensation Amendment Bill 2003 (No 2) – Ms Gallagher (Minister for Industrial Relations) – 25 September 2003**

This Bill will amend the *Workers Compensation Act 1951* by making a number of technical amendments to streamline and clarify the operation of the Act. It also makes amendments associated with the new national agreement on workers compensation cross-border coverage and will implement the provisions of the ACT criminal law reforms for both new and existing penalty provisions in the Act.

Scrutiny Report No. 38; GR in Report No. 39

**Workers Compensation Supplementation Fund Amendment Bill 2002 – Mr Corbell  
(Minister for Industrial Relations) – 29 August 2002**

This Bill will amend the *Workers Compensation Supplementation Fund Act 1980* to allow surcharge payments to be collected on a more flexible basis, in the same way that premium payments can be made.

*Scrutiny Report No. 19*