

Appendix 6 Law reform submissions

In 2021–2022, Legal Aid NSW made 110 law reform submissions (37 public submissions, as listed below, and 73 confidential submissions) to a range of government and non-government consultations on issues that affect our clients and our organisation.

- Department of Customer Service’s review of the *Residential (Land Lease) Communities Act 2013*, July 2021.
- Draft Persons with Disability (Regulation of Restrictive Practices) Bill 2021, July 2021.
- Senate inquiry into the purpose, intent and adequacy of the Disability Support Pension, July 2021.
- Department of Communities and Justice’s review of sentencing for historical offences, July 2021.
- Senate inquiry into the Family Law Amendment (Federal Family Violence Orders) Bill 2021, July 2021.
- Draft Drug Misuse and Trafficking Regulation 2021, July 2021.
- NSW Law Reform Commission’s Open Justice Review – Court and tribunal information, August 2021.
- Treasury’s proposal paper on compensation scheme of last resort, August 2021.
- Australian Communications and Media Authority’s consultation paper on consumer vulnerability: expectations for the telecommunications industry, August 2021.
- Independent review of the Banking Code of Practice, August 2021.
- Commonwealth Attorney – General’s Department’s consultation paper on a national register of enduring powers of attorney, August 2021 (National Legal Aid).
- Children’s criminal records and spent convictions, September 2021.
- Legislative Council inquiry into the coronial jurisdiction in NSW, September 2021.
- Draft Treasury Laws Amendment (Measures for a Later Sitting) Bill 2021: Unfair contract terms, September 2021.
- Department of Communities and Justice’s consultation on additional proposed jury reforms, September 2021.
- Participant Service Guarantee and Other Measures Bill 2021, October 2021.
- Financial Services Council’s final consultation draft Life Insurance Code of Conduct, October 2021.
- Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet’s consultation on modernising document execution, October 2021.
- NSW Trustee and Guardian’s proposed fee changes, October 2021.
- Legislative Council inquiry into road tolling regimes in NSW – Response to questions on notice, October 2021.
- Australian Securities and Investments Commission’s review of the ePayments Code, November 2021.
- General Insurance Code Governance Committee’s proposed operational guidance on para 176 of the General Insurance Code of Practice, November 2021.
- Senate inquiry into the performance and integrity of Australia’s administrative review system, December 2021.
- Office of the Children’s Guardian’s review of accreditation and monitoring functions, December 2021.
- General Insurance Code Governance Committee’s proposed guidance note on ss 7.21 of the 2014 General Insurance Code of Practice and para 84 of the 2020 General Insurance Code of Practice, February 2022.
- Australian Securities and Investments Commission’s consultation paper and draft regulatory guide on consumer remediation, February 2022.
- Treasury’s consultation regulation impact statement on improving the effectiveness of the consumer guarantee and supplier indemnification provisions under the Australian Consumer Law, February 2022.
- Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Criminal Justice Response to Sexual Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2022, February 2022.
- Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Amendment (Family is Culture Review) Bill 2022, March 2022.
- Draft Children (Detention Centres) Amendment (Warrants) Regulation 2022, March 2022.
- NSW Sentencing Council’s review into sentencing for fraud and fraud-related offences, March 2022.
- Department of Customer Service’s review of the domestic violence provisions in the NSW Residential Tenancies Act, March 2022.
- Commonwealth Attorney-General’s Department’s paper on developing principles and model provisions for a more nationally consistent approach to enduring power of attorney laws, April 2022 (National Legal Aid submission).
- Department of Communities and Justice’s review of the Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Regulation 2012, May 2022.
- Crimes Amendment (Prohibition on Display of Nazi Symbols) Bill 2022, May 2022.
- Department of Communities and Justice’s consultation on recommendation 39 of the Respect @ Work report, May 2022.
- State Coroner’s Protocol: Supplementary arrangements applicable to section 23 deaths involving First Nations People, June 2022.