19/193 Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Amendment Bill 2019 (refers to 19/194 Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Amendment Bill 2019)

Summary of Impacts

The Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Amendment Bill 2019 would:

- o improve compliance by establishing a new infringement notice scheme;
- o extend worker access to unrecorded service credits;
- o reduce the impact of phoenix activity on the scheme; and
- o modernise enforcement powers for inspectors.

Key to impacts: Red – negative, Blue – neutral, Green – positive

Social

Justice and rights	These reforms support the right of Territory workers covered by the Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009 (the Act) to access long service leave.
	 Improving workers access to unrecorded long service leave would improve equity of outcomes for workers.

Economic

ACT Government Budget	This submission will have no impact on the Territory Budget as portable long service leave is funded by levies paid to the ACT Long Service Leave Authority by employers.
Productivity	The introduction of an improved compliance regime would reduce the Authority's administration costs.
	 Enhanced compliance and enforcement options would improve the Authority's ability to minimise the impact of phoenixing behaviour on the portable schemes.
Investment	Enhanced compliance options would assist in reducing the cost of outstanding debts owed to the Authority.
Competition	 Enhanced compliance options would facilitate employers paying their fair share of levies to the Authority and reduce the current cross subsidisation of non-compliant employers.

Economic

Nil impact.