

19/535 Legislative Assembly (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Amendment Bill 2019

Summary of impacts:

The Legislative Assembly (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Legislation Bill 2019 proposes to:

- amend the *Legislative Assembly (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Act 2012* to provide for an MLA communication allowance; and
- amend the *Electoral Act 1992* to clarify that the communication allowance is for communication with constituents only.

These amendments respond to recommendations from the ACT Legislative Assembly Select Committee Inquiry into the 2016 ACT Election and the Electoral Act.

Level of impact

Background fill colours: **Positive** = standard light green / **Negative** = standard red / **Neutral** = standard light blue

Social		The amendments will support a transparent and representative electoral system.
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Neutral	Gender Equality	
Neutral	Health (Community and mental health)	
Neutral	Access to services	
Neutral	Housing and Affordable housing	
Neutral	Homelessness support	
Neutral	Access to social inclusion/participation and community activities	
Positive	Human rights	
Neutral	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	
Neutral	Multicultural	
Neutral	Impacts on different age groups	
Neutral	Disability	
Neutral	Justice and Crime	

Economic

The amendments will improve clarity of requirements of the Act, enabling compliance to be achieved efficiently. The economic assessment should comprise an assessment of the impact of an initiative on the ACT Government's financial position and an assessment of the initiative's impacts on the broader ACT economy.

Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Neutral	ACT Government Budget	No impact
Neutral	Productivity	
Neutral	Innovation	
Neutral	Employment and labour force	
Neutral	Small business impact	
Neutral	Skills	
Neutral	Education	
Neutral	Investment and Economic Growth	
Neutral	Competition	
Neutral	Cost of living	
Neutral	Procurement	

Environmental

Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Neutral	Biodiversity	
Neutral	Landscape changes	
Neutral	Heritage	
Neutral	Environmental Quality	
Neutral	Climate Change mitigation	
Neutral	Climate Change adaptation	
Neutral	Water	
Neutral	Urban Heat	
Neutral	Visual quality	
Neutral	Waste	