



Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Assessment Summary

The Triple Bottom Line Assessment is required to be published in accordance with Part 4, section 23 (1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2016

19/652 Planning and Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2020

Summary of impacts:

This submission will only have limited impact on social, environmental and economic factors due to the editorial, technical and minor policy nature of the legislative amendments.

Level of impact	Positive	Negative	Neutral
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Social		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Neutral	Gender Equality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bill is not expected to create any impact on gender equality.

Economic		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Neutral	ACT Government Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The amendment to the <i>Planning and Development Act 2007</i> (the Act) to extend the timeframe to commence a development approval is not likely to impact on the collection of lease variation charge. Lease variation charge receipts are variable from year to year and any change will be difficult to quantify or attribute directly to this amendment.
Positive	Employment and labour force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The amendment to the Act is intended to support the development industry to provide flexibility on timing for construction projects, with a resulting benefit for employment in the construction sector.
Positive	Small business impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above, many small businesses will benefit from major construction projects continuing during the COVID-19 emergency and in the following recovery period. The amendment to the Act can be seen as a support for small business and economic stimulus initiative.

Environmental		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Positive	Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed amendments to the <i>Waste Management and Resource Recovery Act 2016</i> lowers the licensing requirements for reverse vending machines and collection points which reduces the regulatory burden on collection point operators.
Positive	Biodiversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed amendment to the <i>Nature Conservation Act 2014</i> will expand the definition of 'plant' to include dead or live plants.