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# Youth Advisory Group Amendment (Operation and Mandate) Bill 2024

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## A Bill for an Act to amend the Federal Youth Advisory Group Act, and for related purposes

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The Parliament of Australia enacts:

## Part 1—Preliminary

### 1 Short title

This Act is the *Youth Advisory Group Amendment (Operation and Mandate) Act 2024*.

## 2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

**Commencement information**

| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
|---|---|---|
| **Provision(s)** | **Commencement** | **Date/Details** |
| 1. The whole of this Act | The day this Act receives the Presidential Assent | |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this Act as originally enacted. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this Act.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

## 3 Schedules

Legislation that is specified in a Schedule to this Act is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this Act has effect according to its terms.

## 4 Objects of this Act

The objects of this act are:

(a) To introduce a federal youth advisory group that will

(i) Advise the parliament on issues relevant to young people in Australia;

(ii) Have the capacity to question government on policies and legislation relevant to youth

## 5 Simplified Outline of the Act

The Act amends the Federal Youth Advisory Group Act 2023.

## 6 Definitions

In this Act:

***Young Person*** means any person between the age of 25 and 12, inclusive.

***The Group*** means the Youth Advisory Group

## 7 Commonwealth to be bound

1) This Act binds the Commonwealth in all it's capabilities.

2) The Act does not make the Commonwealth liable to be prosecuted for an offence.

## 8 Extension to external Territories

This Act extends to all external Territories.

# Schedule 1—Amendments

## *Youth Advisory Group Act 2023*

### 1 After section 8

Insert:

# Part 3—Direct motion mandate

### 9 Group members may request motion introduction

(1) Any member of the Youth Advisory Group may request a motion be introduced to Parliament in either:
    (a) the House of Representatives; or
    (b) the Senate; or
    (c) both the House of Representatives and Senate.
(2) The motion requested should be in the format of a regular motion and must follow any and all rules governing the content of Parliamentary motions.

### 10 Approval votes required for motion introduction

(3) For a motion to require introduction into either chamber of Parliament, the Youth Advisory Group must hold an approval vote.
(4) Any approval vote must reach the threshold of a double majority which is:
    (a) A majority of members across the entire group; and
    (b) at least five of the states and territories must have two or more of its members vote for approval.
(5) Once approved, the Minister has no more than seven days to introduce the motion before Parliament.
(6) At any time before an approval vote is brought before Parliament, the group may choose to amend a previously approved motion it has mandated be brought before Parliament.
(7) For the purposes of Section 10(5), should the Minister not be a member of the chamber of Parliament requiring a motion to be

introduced, the most senior member of the Government in that chamber is instead required to introduce the motion.

## 2 After section 10

Insert:

### 11 Regulations

The President may make regulations prescribing matters:

(a) required or permitted by this Act to be prescribed; or

(b) necessary or convenient to be prescribed for carrying out or giving effect to this Act.