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Commonwealth of Australia<sup>1</sup>

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## **Constitution Alteration (Impeachment Powers) Bill 2023**

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**A Bill for an Act to alter the Constitution to give  
Parliament the power to remove a sitting President  
with a two-thirds majority of members of the  
Commonwealth Parliament**

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**A Bill for an Act to alter the Constitution to give Parliament the power to remove a sitting President with a two-thirds majority of members of the Commonwealth Parliament**

The Parliament of Australia, with the approval of the electors, as required by the Constitution, enacts:

## Section 1

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### **1 Short title**

This Act is the *Constitution Alteration (Impeachment Powers) 2023*.

### **2 Commencement**

The whole of the Act commences on the day this Act receives Presidential Assent.

### **3 Schedules**

The Constitution is altered as set out in the Schedule.

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## **Schedule 1—Amendments of the Constitution**

### **1 After section 18**

Insert:

#### **18A Removal of President**

- (1) The President of Australia may be removed by Parliament with the approval of a two thirds majority of a joint sitting of the members of the Senate and of the House of Representatives.
- (2) This section does not exclude the ability for Parliament to set forth their own processes to remove the President but all processes must be approved by a two thirds majority of a joint sitting of the members of the Senate of the House of Representatives.
- (3) If a President is removed under this section, until such time as Parliament appoints a new President, the Prime Minister may by declaration and with the approval of the second largest political party or coalition may appoint an Acting President.
- (4) No person appointed to serve as an Acting President under subsection (3) may serve a term greater than 1 month.