



Ministerial Submission

MS23-000794

Cleared by: Scott Dille

Date sent to MO: 4 September 2023

Action Requested By: 8 September 2023

Reason for Urgency: To enable tabling of
Government response **s47C**

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FOR: Special Minister of State

INFO: Minister of Finance

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Government response to JSCEM - Conduct of the 2022 federal election and other matters - Interim Report

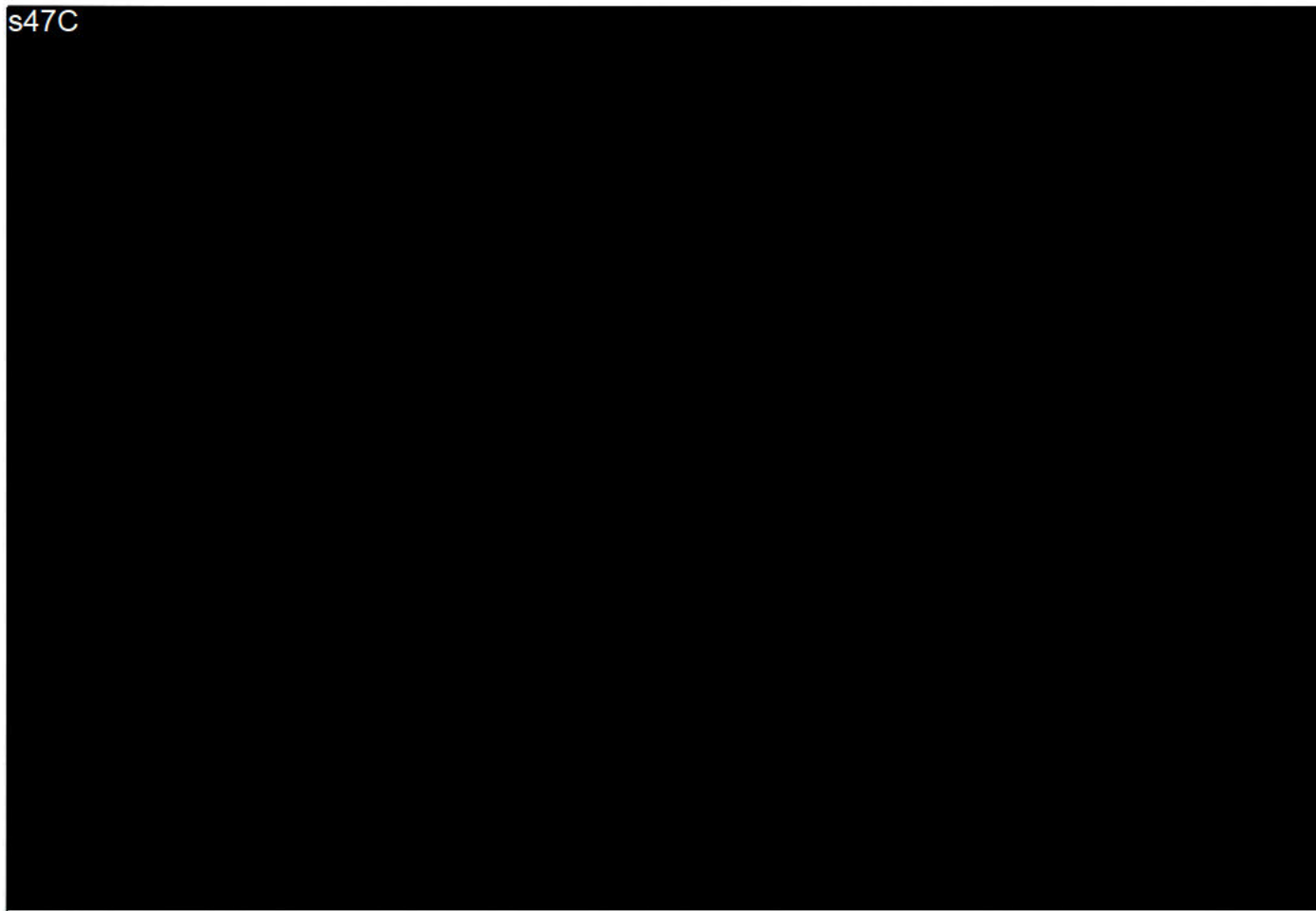
Key Issues:

1. On 19 June 2023, the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (JSCEM) released the *Conduct of the 2022 federal election and other matters - Interim Report* (Interim Report) and recommended significant reforms to Australia's electoral system.
2. The Interim Report makes 15 recommendations focused on three main topics:
 - a. Political donations and electoral expenditure;
 - b. Truth in political advertising; and
 - c. Encouraging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation in elections.
3. As discussed with your Office, a Government response (**Attachment A**) to the Interim report should be tabled in the next sitting period, ending 14 September 2023.

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Recommendation:

That you:

- a. **approve** the Government response to the JSCEM Interim report for tabling at **Attachment A**;

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- e. **sign** the letter to the Chair of the JSCEM at **Attachment F**.


Don Farrell

Decision:

 Approved / Not Approved

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Consultation:

Australian Government Solicitor, Office of Parliamentary Counsel, and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Attachments:

Att A – Government Response

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Att F – Letter to JSCEM Chair

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