

Parliamentary Remuneration and Expenses

STATEMENT

The remuneration and work expenses framework for parliamentarians, established by the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017* (PBR Act), sets out a number of inquiry, reporting and determinative obligations on the Tribunal, to be completed at least once each year.

In June 2019, the Tribunal completed its annual inquiry into parliamentary base salary and related matters.

In July 2019, the Tribunal reported to the relevant Minister on ministerial salaries.

In August 2019, the Tribunal inquired into and determined changes to travel allowances for parliamentarians.

In December 2019, the Tribunal completed its inquiries in relation to the remaining remuneration matters (including electorate allowance) and the remuneration and allowances for former parliamentarians set out in its Members of Parliament determination, as well as the relevant travel-related matters prescribed in the *Parliamentary Business Resources Regulations* 2017.

The Tribunal has concluded that no changes to the provisions for which it has responsibility are necessary at this time.

The Tribunal will issue a new principal Members of Parliament determination effective from 1 January 2020. The new determination makes no changes to the remuneration provisions in place at this time. For further information about *Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2019* see its accompanying Reasons for Determination statement.

The Tribunal's determinations and statements will be available on its website - http://www.remtribunal.gov.au/ once they are registered.

Remuneration Tribunal

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