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Welcome to our **Government Wrap** for the week ending 2 December 2022.

In this update, we focus on news and insights from the Commonwealth, state and territory governments of relevance and interest to the arts and entertainment industry.

This week

We connected with a number of MPs and their advisors, business and industry group leaders and senior officials this week at the ACCI business summit gala dinner which was held in the Great Hall at Parliament House and [addressed by the Prime Minister](#). Federal Parliament has risen for the year and returns in early February 2023.

Coming up

We're keeping a close watch for the announcement of the Government's national cultural policy which has been slated for release before the end of this year.

Federal: Fair Work legislation passed

The Government has secured passage of its [Secure Jobs, Better Pay legislation](#) which it says will modernise the bargaining system, delivering better productivity and flexibility for employers and better pay and conditions for workers. LPA will continue to engage closely with the Minister's office and departmental officials on aspects related to the live performance industry.

Federal: Respect at Work

The Government passed its [Respect@Work legislation](#) to implement the recommendations of the Sex Discrimination Commissioner Kate Jenkins. The Australian Human Rights Commission released its [fifth national survey](#) on sexual harassment in Australian workplaces. A majority of Australians (77 per cent) have experienced sexual harassment at some point in their lives, including 89 per cent of women. Approximately one in five people have experienced sexual harassment at work in the last 12 months, with one in three reporting such an experience over the past five years.

Federal: National Arts and Disability Awards

Arts Access Australia and the Australia Council have announced the winners of the [National Arts and Disability Awards](#), featuring three outstanding artists.

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The Queensland Government has approved a [temporary increase](#) in the Suncorp Stadium concert cap from six to 12 major events a year. The Tourism and Sport Minister Stirling Hinchcliffe said the new concert cap would apply for 2023 and 2024.

NSW: Allianz Stadium limits

Meanwhile in Sydney, there have been calls for the concert cap at the recently redeveloped Allianz Stadium to be lifted. [Business Sydney](#) says NSW will lose major concerts to Queensland if red tape around the use of the stadium isn't cut through.

NSW: Enmore Road precinct trial extended

The NSW Government has extended the trial for its first [special entertainment precinct](#) on Enmore Road in Sydney's inner west until July next year.

WA: Ticket reselling

The WA Commissioner for Consumer Protection [published an update](#) on federal and state consumer laws on ticket reselling, including an ongoing investigation into Viagogo.

WA: Perth Cultural Centre project

The WA Government has announced the appointment of the [lead consultant](#) for the \$35 million Perth Cultural Centre rejuvenation project.

Industry news

[Global Creatures and Foundation Theatres](#) hosted around 750 high school, university and college students and adults with transferable skills for 'Get Technical – Behind the Curtain of Moulin Rouge! The Musical' in Sydney. The event featured the technical and production crew working on the show, to motivate and inspire students and adults to consider a career backstage in the performing arts industry.

APRA AMCOS released a new economic analysis of the [impact of tax offsets](#) for venues and artists on the live music industry.

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