# learn about Parliament



## How can I get involved?

## **Cloze Passage**

Read through the following passage and select the word or phrase from the table that best fits in each space. You can use each word or phrase only once.

There are many ways you can get involved in Queensland Parliament, including:

#### **Voting at State Elections**

Queensland state elections are held every

years. You can have your and be an informed

voter by researching the candidates for your

Candidates are listed on the Electoral Commission of

Queensland's website.



If you're not old enough to vote yet, you can still have your say by participating in petitions, writing submissions to committees or by contacting your Member of Parliament to discuss what is important to you.

### **Petitions**

A petition is a formal way you can request

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to take action. Petitions can be in paper form or an e-petition.

They can be sponsored by a Member of Parliament or the

Once a petition has finished, the Clerk will

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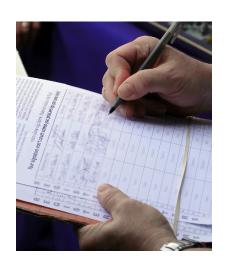
present it in Parliament, and refer it to the relevant Minister for a

The must respond within

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30 days.



#### **Submissions**

If a parliamentary committee is investigating something you feel strongly about, you can send them a written statement, called a submission, to explain your views.

You don't have to be a voter to share your opinion, anyone can make a submission. Invitations for submissions to inquiries are advertised on the Parliament's and social media pages.



to Committees should outline your views on the issue that is being considered, and include a list of the possible impacts on you. You can also suggest any alternatives you think would support or improve the issue.

#### Read, watch or listen to Parliament

Find out what is or has been debated in the House by watching Parliament or reading Hansard. You can also stay up to  $^{(10)}$  with the work of the Parliament by following us on social media and subscribing to alerts.

