



17 November 2023

Committee Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
PO Box 6100 Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Secretary,

RE: SUPPORT FOR THE COPYRIGHT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (FAIR PAY FOR RADIO PLAY) BILL

The Australian Recording Industry Association (ARIA) makes the following submission to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee's Inquiry into The Copyright Legislation Amendment (Fair Pay For Radio Play) Bill 2023.

ARIA is a national industry association with more than 175 members representing major and independent record producers, manufacturers, and distributors. ARIA acts as an advocate for the Australian music industry, administers the labelling code of practice, and compiles industry information and research.

On behalf of our members, and in line with our industry colleagues, we support this Bill. ARIA also supports submissions by PPCA and IFPI that outline key reasons to remove the radio caps including -

- Six separate reviews, reports and inquiries have already recommended the removal of the radio caps
- Restrictions do not apply to any other form of copyright making them unfair and anticompetitive
- Radio caps impact future investment by record labels in Australian music as royalties are a key income stream used to support the growth of new talent
- Over 500 Australian recording artists have signed an open letter supporting this Bill

We thank the committee for this opportunity. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Julia Robinson, Head of Policy and Advocacy for PPCA.

Yours Sincerely,

Annabelle Herd
Chief Executive Officer



ABOUT ARIA

The Australian Recording Industry Association (ARIA) is a national industry association with more than 175 members representing major and independent record producers, manufacturers, and distributors. ARIA acts as an advocate for the Australian music industry, administers the labelling code of practice, and compiles industry information and research. It also produces the ARIA Charts every week and the annual ARIA Awards. Most importantly, ARIA supports Australian music and creates opportunities for it to be heard.

We acknowledge First Nations people as the Traditional Owners and sovereign custodians of the lands on which we work and live. We recognise their continuing connection to Country and their respective nations across this continent and pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We also celebrate the unique and inspiring creativity and songlines of the world's oldest living culture and give thanks for the immeasurable influence First Nations people continue to have over the music and art we all enjoy.