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Dear Ms Street

Impact Analysis – Second Pass Final Assessment – Health Legislation Amendment (Improving Choice and Transparency for Private Health Consumers) Bill: Regulating Premiums

Thank you for your letter of 2 February 2026 submitting an Impact Analysis (IA) for formal Second Pass Final Assessment. I note the IA has been formally certified at the Deputy Secretary level consistent with the *Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis* (the Guide).

I appreciate the Department's constructive engagement on the IA. The Office of Impact Analysis' (OIA) assessment is that the quality of the analysis in the IA is Adequate. To be considered Good Practice as per the Guide, the IA would have benefitted from a more detailed assessment of the expected impacts, implementation risks, and a more detailed evaluation plan.

The IA may now be provided to the decision-maker to inform their decision.

Next steps

Ahead of the final decision being announced we would appreciate a copy of the IA in a form meeting the Government's web accessibility requirements, and a one-page Impact Analysis Summary of the IA using the template attached to this letter. The OIA will then publish the IA and Summary, along with your certification, on the OIA's website at oia.pmc.gov.au. The IA must also be included in any Explanatory Memorandum or Statement giving effect to the proposals in the IA, as stipulated in the User Guide to the Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mick Graham".

Mick Graham

A/g Executive Director
The Office of Impact Analysis
2 February 2026