

Retail and Wholesale Industry Sector Standing Committee

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The Retail and Wholesale Industry Sector Standing Committee (Committee) met on Thursday, 18 April 2024.

The Committee's Chair, Mr Matt Littleboy, welcomed members to the first meeting of the new Committee whose three-year term commenced on 15 February 2024 and finishes on 12 September 2026.

The Committee's discussions focused on setting the framework for the term including:

- Identifying the reporting requirements to undertake Committee functions; noting the primary function of an Industry Sector Standing Committee is to give advice and make recommendations to the Work Health and Safety Board about work health and safety in the industry sector for which the committee is established (*Work Health and Safety Act 2011*, Schedule 2, Division 5, Section 15).
- Endorsing the draft terms of reference, a key governance document;
 - The terms of reference were approved at the Work Health and Safety Board's 8 May 2024 meeting;
- Identifying key risks and emerging technologies in the sector - for communication to the Work Health and Safety Board - noting strong interest in psychosocial, heat and fatigue, occupational violence, artificial intelligence, dispersed locations of workplaces, high-risk machinery and self-service issues; and
- Agreeing the meeting schedule for 2024.

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday, 11 July 2024.