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The Online Safety Bill: A reading list

1 Background

The [Online Safety Bill](#) (PDF) [Bill 285 2021-22] was introduced in the House of Commons on 17 March 2022.

The Bill had its [second reading on 19 April 2022](#). A carry-over motion was approved on the same date. The [Online Safety Bill](#) (PDF) [Bill 4 2022-23] was re-introduced in the Commons on 10 May 2022. It will be considered in Public Bill Committee in June. Further details of the Bill's progress can be found on the [parliament website](#).

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This reading list provides a selection of media coverage, stakeholder responses and other material relevant to the Bill.

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