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List of recommendations

1 Unauthorised disclosure of confidential committee document

Recommendation 1

The Committee recommends that the Speaker of the House of Representatives refer the matter of an unauthorised disclosure of a confidential report of the Standing Committee on Regional Australia to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Members Interests for further investigation.

Recommendation 2

The Committee recommends that the House of Representatives adopt the Standing Committee on Privileges and Members' Interests August 2012 report titled: *Report concerning the possible unauthorised disclosure of the internal proceedings of the Committee* in order to give guidance to the House and its committees in dealing with the unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings and to better educate the Parliamentary Press Gallery about the prohibition on the unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings.