HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SELECTION COMMITTEE

REPORT No. 65

Consideration of bills

13 September 2012
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1. The committee met in private session on 12 and 13 September 2012.

2. The committee determined that the following referrals of bills to committees be made—

Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services:
- Corporations Legislation Amendment (Derivative Transactions) Bill 2012.

**REASONS FOR REFERRAL/PRINCIPAL ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:**
Massive unintended impact on the electricity generation sector and significant concerns raised by a number of stakeholders.

Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade:
- International Fund for Agricultural Development Amendment Bill 2012.

**REASONS FOR REFERRAL/PRINCIPAL ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:**
Determine whether the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) has fully addressed the concerns that were raised by the former Howard Government, and which prompted Australia to withdraw from the organisation in 2004.
Consideration of the additional financial and human resources required by AusAID to support Australia’s engagement with IFAD.

Standing Committee on Education and Employment:
- Higher Education Support Amendment (Maximum Payment Amounts and Other Measures) Bill 2012.

**REASONS FOR REFERRAL/PRINCIPAL ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:**
The bill substantially expands the scope of the information sharing that the department is allowed to engage in. Possible implications on both the privacy and the red tape reduction should be briefly examined.

Standing Committee on Social Policy and Legal Affairs:
- Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Further 2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012.

**REASONS FOR REFERRAL/PRINCIPAL ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION:**
Examination of drafting changes regarding schoolkids bonus, child support legislation and the Social Security Appeals Tribunal.

Peter Slipper MP
Chairman
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