Selection of Bills Committee

REPORT NO. 5 of 2013

16 May 2013

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Anne McEwen (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Helen Kroger (Opposition Whip)

Senator John Williams (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Carol Brown

Senator David Bushby

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins

Senator Mitch Fifield

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- 1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 15 May 2013 at 7.40pm.
- 2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Australian Jobs Bill 2013 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 June 2013 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2013 that was considered at meeting 2 of 2012 on Wednesday, 27 February 2013 and not referred, was reconsidered. The committee recommends that notwithstanding its previous decision, that the bill be *referred immediately* to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 June 2013 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (c) the *provisions* of the Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (Base Premium) Bill 2013 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 June 2013 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral);and
 - (d) contingent upon its introduction in the House of Representatives, the *provisions* of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Bill 2013 be *referred immediately* to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report 3 June 2013 (see appendix 4 for statements of reasons for referral).
- 3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Advertising for Sports Betting) Bill 2013
 - Customs Tariff Amendment (Incorporation of Proposals) Bill 2013 Customs and AusCheck Legislation Amendment (Organised Crime and Other Measures) Bill 2013
 - Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment Bill 2013
 - National Disability Insurance Scheme Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 DisabilityCare Australia Fund Bill 2013 Medicare Levy Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Income Tax Rates Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Superannuation (Excess Concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013

Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Income Tax (First Home Saver Accounts Misuse Tax) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013 Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (DisabilityCare Australia) Bill 2013

- National Health Reform Amendment (Definitions) Bill 2013
- Statute Stocktake (Appropriations) Bill 2013.

The committee considered the Referendum (Machinery Provisions) Amendment Bill 2013 and, noting that the bill had passed the Senate on 15 May 2013, resolved to recommend that the bill *not* be referred to a committee.

The committee recommends accordingly.

- 4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Interactive Gambling Amendment (Virtual Credits) Bill 2013
 - Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Caring for Single Parents) Bill 2013
 - Social Security Legislation Amendment (Caring for People on Newstart) Bill 2013
 - Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (Increased Concessional Contributions Cap and Other Measures) Bill 2013 Superannuation (Sustaining the Superannuation Contribution Concession) Imposition Bill 2013
 - Tax Laws Amendment (2013 Measures No. 1) Bill 2013
 - Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy) Bill 2013.

(Anne McEwen) **Chair** 16 May 2013

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Australian Jobs Bill 2013

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Submissions previously received by the Senate Economics Committee on the Exposure Draft raised issues for examination that have not been addressed in the Bill.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Businesses and/or industry groups.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Economics Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

May/June 2013

Possible reporting date:

(Late) June 2013

Senator Fifield

(signed)

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SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of Bill:

Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2013

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

In undertaking the inquiry, the Committee should consider:

- 1. The consultation process with industry and other stakeholders;
- 2. The possible impact on exporters, particularly small exporters; and
- 3. The structure of the 'fit and proper person' test.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade AusTrade Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Export Council of Australia Association of Australina Convention Bureaux Export Consultants Group

Committee to which the bill is to be referred:

Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s): May/June 2013

Possible reporting date: 17 June 2013 Senator McEwen

(signed)

Whip / Selection of Bills Committee Member

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (Base Premium) Bill 2013

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To consider consequences for the Australian health system.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Private Healthcare Australia

Australian Private Hospitals Association

Australian Medical Association

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Community Affairs

Possible hearing date(s):

To be determined by the committee

Possible reporting date:

To be determined by the committee

Senator Fifield

(signed)

Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Bill 2013

The Bill proposes to reform the financial framework for Commonwealth agencies and has a whole of government impact.

Bill has been through an extensive process that has involved briefings to the Finance and Public Administration Committee.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

The Department of Finance and Deregulation Other Government Departments and agencies The Auditor General or another member of the Australian National Audit Office Academics and interested stakeholders

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

To be agreed with the Committee at their discretion.

Possible reporting date:

3 June 2013

Senator McEwen

(signed)

Whip //Selection of Bills Committee member