Report

- 1.1 On 24 June 2014 the then President of the Senate, Senator the Honourable John Hogg, received a submission from Professor Simon Chapman seeking redress under the resolution of the Senate of 25 February 1988 relating to the protection of persons referred to in the Senate (Privilege Resolution 5).
- 1.2 The submission referred to a speech made by Senator Madigan in the Senate on 17 June 2014. The President accepted the submission as a submission for the purposes of the resolution and referred it to the Committee of Privileges.
- 1.3 The committee met and, pursuant to paragraph (3) of Privilege Resolution 5, decided to consider the submission. The terms of the response, which the committee now recommends for incorporation in Hansard, have been agreed to by Professor Chapman and the committee in accordance with Resolution 5(7)(b).
- 1.4 The committee draws attention to resolution 5(6):

In considering a submission under this resolution and reporting to the Senate, the committee shall not consider or judge the truth of any statements made in the Senate or in the submission.

1.5 The committee **recommends**:

That a response by Professor Simon Chapman, in the terms specified at Appendix 1, be incorporated in *Hansard*.

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins Chair