SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 10 of 2014

28 August 2014

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator David Bushby (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Anne McEwen (Opposition Whip)

Senator Barry O'Sullivan (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Dio Wang (Palmer United Party Whip)

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Senator the Hon Mitch Fifield

Senator Claire Moore

Senator Anne Ruston

Secretary: Chris Reid 277 3020

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- 1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 27 August 2014 at 7.19 pm.
- 2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment Bill 2014 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 27 October 2014 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the *provisions* of the Customs Amendment Bill 2014 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 30 September 2014 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (c) the Guardian for Unaccompanied Children Bill 2014 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 5 February 2015 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral).
- 3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment (Industry Code Penalties) Bill 2014
 - International Tax Agreements Amendment Bill 2014
 - Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment Bill 2014
 - Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Student Measures) Bill 2014
 - Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 4) Bill 2014.

The committee recommends accordingly.

- 4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Land Transport Infrastructure Amendment (Continuing Roads to Recovery) Bill 2014
 - Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) National Law Amendment Bill 2014
 - Mining Subsidies Legislation Amendment (Raising Revenue) Bill 2014
 - Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014
 - Save Our Sharks Bill 2014.

(David Bushby) Chair 28 August 2014

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

Name of bill:

• Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment Bill 2014

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- There is not sufficient justification for increasing ASADA powers
- The Coalition opposed the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment Bill 2013 and the reasons cited are still valid
- Increased intelligence gathering and investigative powers may be opposed by athletes

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Australian Sports Commission

- ASADA
- Olympic and national sporting federations and organisations
- Athletes affected by the proposed Bill

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

• Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

Possible hearing date(s):

October 2014

Possible reporting date:

November 2014

(signed)

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Print name:

Senator Rachel Siewert

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

Name of bill:

Customs Amendment Bill 2014

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To examine in greater detail specific provisions of the Bill.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Australian Customs and Border Protection Service Maritime Union of Australia Shipping Australia Carnival Australia

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

To be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

30 October 2014

Senator McEwen

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

Name of bill: Guardian for Unaccompanied Children Bill 2014

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- The need for an independent statutory body to advocate in the best interest of Unaccompanied minors
- International obligations to children in Australia's care
- The need to address the conflict of interest which currently exists with the Minister of the day being these children's guardian and the person who is responsible for their detention.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Amnesty International Australia Human Rights Law Centre of Australia Australian Churches for Refugees Refugee Council of Australia Refugee and Immigration Legal Centre

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

10th – 14th November

Possible reporting date:

5th February 2015

(signed)

Print name:

Senator Rachel Siewert.