SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, RECREATION AND THE ARTS

REPORT ON THE CONSIDERATION OF THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY SELF-GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 1991

NOVEMBER 1991

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Referral of the Bill

On 13 November 1991, the Selection of Bills Committee recommended the referral of the Bill to the Standing Committee for consideration and report by 26 November 1991. The Senate adopted the Selection of Bills Committee report on 13 November, the Bill being referred to the Standing Committee before the second reading debate.

Public Meeting

On 15 November 1991 the Committee conducted a Public Meeting to consider the Bill. In view of the short notice and the consequent inability of the Minister (or a Ministerial representative) to be present, the Committee resolved to proceed to examine the Bill in the absence of the Minister. The Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories was represented by Officers of the Department and a member of his Parliamentary Staff.

An Officer of the Australian Electoral Commission also attended, as did Mr M. Mackerras. The Committee received a document from Mr Mackerras who, at the invitation of the Chair, spoke to the document which the Committee ordered to be incorporated in the transcript.

Having considered the Bill, the Committee passed a motion by Senator West that the Committee recommend the Bill.

Recommendation

The Committee recommends to the Senate the Australian Capital Territory Self-Government Legislation Amendment Bill 1991 without amendment.

Rosemary Crowley

Kremy Ceans

Chair

APPENDIX 1

DETAILS OF MEETINGS

Public Meeting

15 November 1991 9.08 a.m. - 10.07 a.m. Committee Room 1S2

Attendance

Senator R.A. Crowley (Chair) Senator R. Bell Senator S. West

Senator K. Sowada

Ministerial Representation

- Mr R. Allen, Office of the Hon David Simmons, Minister for the Arts, Tourism and Territories;
- . Mr G. Early, Department of the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories; and
- . Mr G. Willcox, Department of the Arts, Sport, the Environment, Tourism and Territories.

Official Present

Mr M. Maley, Australian Electoral Commission.

Other Witness

Mr M. Mackerras.

Private Meeting

15 November 1991 10.10 a.m. - 10.15 a.m. Committee Room 1S2

Attendance

Senator R.A. Crowley (Chair) Senator R. Bell Senator S. West