

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 9 OF 2016

24 November 2016

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator David Bushby (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Anne Urquhart (Opposition Whip)

Senator Brian Burston (Pauline Hanson's One Nation Whip)

Senator Derryn Hinch (Derryn Hinch's Justice Party Whip)

Senator Skye Kakoschke-Moore (Nick Xenophon Team Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Australian Greens Whip)

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Secretary: Chris Reid
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 23 November 2016 at 7.26 pm.
2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2016 be *referred immediately* to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority Amendment (New Governance Arrangements) Bill 2016
 - Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Amendment Bill 2016
Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Levy Bill 2016
 - Racial Discrimination Law Amendment (Free Speech) Bill 2016
 - Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Assistance Alignment and Other Measures) Bill 2016.

The committee recommends accordingly.

4. The committee considered the following bill but was unable to reach agreement:
 - Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2016
5. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2016
 - Corporations Amendment (Professional Standards of Financial Advisers) Bill 2016
 - Crimes Legislation Amendment (International Crime Cooperation and Other Measures) Bill 2016
 - End Cruel Cosmetics Bill 2014
 - National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Bill 2016
 - National Integrity Commission Bill 2013
 - Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2016
 - Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Defence Force) Bill 2016
 - Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016
 - Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Digital Readiness and Other Measures) Bill 2016.

(David Bushby)

Chair

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2016

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- To investigate whether there are unintended negative consequences of allowing EFIC to provide loans to projects which are not located in Australia.
- To establish whether accompanying checks and balances should be legislated.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- Export Finance and Insurance Corporation
- Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- AusTrade
- Australian Fair Trade and Investment Network (AFTINET)
- ACTU

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

To be decided by the Committee.

Possible reporting date:

7 February 2017



Senator Anne Urquhart