

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 3 OF 2018

22 March 2018

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

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SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 21 March 2018 at 7.15 PM.
2. The committee recommends that—
 - (a) the National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018 and National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 May 2018 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (b) the *provisions* of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 May 2018 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee recommends that the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Australian Passports Amendment (Identity-matching Services) Bill 2018
 - Crimes Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme – Worker Screening) Bill 2018
 - Identity-matching Services Bill 2018
 - Protection of the Sea Legislation Amendment Bill 2018
 - Social Services Legislation Amendment (14-month Regional Independence Criteria) Bill 2018
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 1) Bill 2018
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 3) Bill 2018
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Illicit Tobacco Offences) Bill 2018
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Income Tax Consolidation Integrity) Bill 2018
 - Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment (Veteran-centric Reforms No. 1) Bill 2018.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Australian Human Rights Commission Repeal (Duplication Removal) Bill 2018
 - Interstate Road Transport Legislation (Repeal) Bill 2018
 - Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) Levy Bill 2018
Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) Levy Collection Bill 2018
Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) Levy (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2018
 - Road Vehicle Standards Bill 2018
Road Vehicle Standards (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018
Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition—General) Bill 2018
Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition—Customs) Bill 2018
Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition—Excise) Bill 2018

- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Encouraging Self-sufficiency for Newly Arrived Migrants) Bill 2018.

(David Bushby)

Chair

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

Name of bill:

National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018
National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- To obtain further details about the operation of the proposed National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation and its Investment Mandate Direction;
- To scrutinise how the National Housing Infrastructure Facility will contribute to the supply of affordable housing with particular reference to the operation of Part 4 of the NHFIC Investment Mandate Direction;

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- Treasury;
- Australian Local Government Association;
- Community Housing Industry Association;
- Industry Super Australia;
- NSW Federation of Housing Associations;
- Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute;
- National Affordable Housing Providers Ltd;
- Property Council of Australia


Committee to which bill is to be referred:
Senate Economics Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

To be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

Monday 7 May 2018


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Senator Anne Urquhart

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

Name of bill:

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2018

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- This Bill reintroduces a 2017-18 Budget measure to establish a two year trial of drug testing for 5,000 recipients of Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (other) in three locations. The Bill was subject to a Senate Inquiry which reported on 6 September 2017.
- However, this Bill now names the three locations – the Canterbury-Bankstown, New South Wales; Logan, Queensland; and Mandurah, Western Australia, regions.
 - Not named in the previous Bill.
- It is important that people, organisations and the local government authorities in the named locations are able to have a proper say of the possible impacts of the trial and the readiness of the regions in terms of alcohol and drug rehabilitation services and providers.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- People in the named regions likely to be impacted by the trial.
- Local government authorities likely to be impacted by the trial.
- Alcohol and other drug rehabilitation organisation and other support services in the named regions likely to be impacted by the trial.
- Medical experts.
- Community groups, nationally and in the regions likely to be impacted by the trial.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

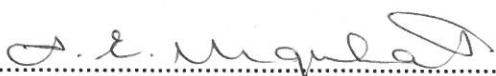
- **Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee**

Possible hearing date(s):

- To be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

- **7 May 2018**


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Senator Anne Urquhart

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill2018

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: impact on income support recipients

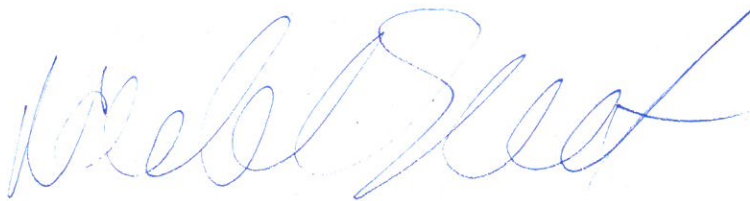
Possible submissions or evidence from: Australian Human Rights Commission, ACOSS, National Social Security Rights Network, Royal Australasian College of Physicians, Australian Medical Association, National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, Cohealth, Australian Injecting and Illicit Users League

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: 9 May 2018

(signed)



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Print name: _____ Senator Siewert _____