

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 1 OF 2024

8 February 2024

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Anne Urquhart (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Wendy Askew (Opposition Whip)

Senator Ross Cadell (The Nationals Whip)

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

Senator Nick McKim (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Ralph Babet

Senator the Hon. Anthony Chisholm

Senator the Hon. Katy Gallagher

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Senator David Pocock

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Senator Lidia Thorpe

Senator Tammy Tyrrell

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Secretary: Tim Bryant
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 7 February 2024 at 7.40 pm.
2. The committee recommends that—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the COAG Legislation Amendment Bill 2023 be ***referred immediately*** to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 14 March 2024 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the Criminal Code Amendment (Genocide, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes) Bill 2024 be ***referred immediately*** to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 13 November 2024 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (c) the *provisions* of the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Enhancing Consumer Safeguards and Other Measures) Bill 2023 be ***referred immediately*** to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 14 March 2024 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee recommends that the following bills ***not*** be referred to committees:
 - Australian Education Amendment (Save Our Public Schools) Bill 2023
 - Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2024.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Australian Capital Territory Dangerous Drugs Bill 2023
 - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Ban on Gambling Advertisements During Live Sport) Bill 2023
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment (Continuing ACCC Monitoring of Domestic Airline Competition) Bill 2023
 - Crimes Amendment (Strengthening the Criminal Justice Response to Sexual Violence) Bill 2024
 - Criminal Code Amendment (Inciting Illegal Disruptive Activities) Bill 2023
 - Customs Amendment (Preventing Child Labour) Bill 2023
 - Electoral Legislation Amendment (Lowering the Voting Age) Bill 2023
 - Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Regional Forest Agreements) Bill 2020
 - Fair Work Amendment (Right to Disconnect) Bill 2023 [No. 2]
 - Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment Bill 2024
 - Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2024
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Foreign Investment) Bill 2024
 - Freeze on Rent and Rate Increases Bill 2023

- Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Amendment (Consideration of UNDRIP) Bill 2023
 - National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Amendment (Strengthening Quality and Integrity in Vocational Education and Training No. 1) Bill 2024
 - Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Domestic Reserve) Bill 2023
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Cost of Living Tax Cuts) Bill 2024
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Cost of Living—Medicare Levy) Bill 2024.
5. The committee considered the following bills but was unable to reach agreement:
- Administrative Review Tribunal Bill 2023
Administrative Review Tribunal (Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 1) Bill 2023
 - Administrative Review Tribunal (Consequential and Transitional Provisions No. 2) Bill 2024.

(Anne Urquhart)

Chair

8 February 2024

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

Name of bill:

COAG Legislation Amendment Bill 2023

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To carefully investigate this legislation and provide interested stakeholders the opportunity to comment on the legislation.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

A range of stakeholders and interested parties.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

February

Possible reporting date:

14 March 2024



Print name: Wendy Askew

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Criminal Code Amendment (Genocide, Crimes Against Humanity and War Crimes) Bill 2024

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To examine the bill in more detail and hear from various stakeholders.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- Human rights organisations
- First Nations organisations and individuals
- Australian Human Rights Commission
- Attorney General's Department
- Legal experts
- Academics

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

May to September 2024

Possible reporting date:

13 November 2024

(signed)


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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

Senator Thorpe

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

Name of bill:

[Telecommunications Legislation Amendment \(Enhancing Consumer Safeguards and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To carefully investigate this legislation and provide interested stakeholders the opportunity to comment on the legislation.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

A range of stakeholders and interested parties including from the Communications sector.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

February

Possible reporting date:

14 March 2024



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