

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 5 OF 2025

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Lisa Darmanin (Acting Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Wendy Askew (Opposition Whip)

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

Senator Nick McKim (Australian Greens Whip)

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Senator Tony Sheldon (Government Whip)

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- 1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 27 August 2025 at 7.07pm.
- 2. The committee recommends that the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Public Consultancy and Services Contracts Bill 2025 be *referred immediately* to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 30 March 2026 (see appendix 1 for statement of reasons for referral).
- 3. The committee recommends that the following bill *not* be referred to committees:
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Payments System Modernisation) Bill 2025.
- 4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Australian Education Legislation Amendment (Prohibiting the Indoctrination of Children) Bill 2020
 - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Audio Description) Bill 2019
 - Constitution Alteration (Right to Free Speech) 2025
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment (Divestiture Powers) Bill 2024
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment (Make Price Gouging Illegal) Bill 2024
 - Copyright Legislation Amendment (Fair Pay for Radio Play) Bill 2023
 - Crimes Amendment (Repeal Mandatory Minimum Sentences) Bill 2025
 - Customs Legislation Amendment (Commercial Greyhound Export and Import Prohibition) Bill 2021
 - Defence Amendment (Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal) Bill 2025
 - Digital ID Repeal Bill 2024
 - Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Board of Management Functions) Bill 2025
 - Home Affairs Legislation Amendment (2025 Measures No. 1) Bill 2025
 - Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Communications) Bill 2025
 - Electoral Legislation Amendment (Fair Territory Representation) Bill 2024
 - Electoral Legislation Amendment (Fairer Contracts and Grants) Bill 2023
 - Electoral Legislation Amendment (Lowering the Voting Age) Bill 2023
 - Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Climate Trigger) Bill 2022
 - Fair Work Amendment (Paid Reproductive Health Leave and Flexible Work Arrangements) Bill 2025
 - Higher Education Support Amendment (End Dirty University Partnerships) Bill 2025
 - Housing Investment Probity Bill 2024
 - Interactive Gambling Amendment (Ban Gambling Ads) Bill 2024
 - Landholders' Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015
 - Lobbying (Improving Government Honesty and Trust) Bill 2025

- Members of Parliament (Staff) Amendment (Providing Certainty and Improving Integrity) Bill 2025
- National Housing and Homelessness Plan Bill 2024
- Right to Protest Bill 2025
- Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Responding to Robodebt) Bill 2025 [No. 2]
- Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment (Frontline Emergency Service Workers) Bill 2025
- Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2025
- Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2025.

(Lisa Darmanin) **Chair**

28 August 2025



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

Name of bill: Parliamentary Joint Committee on Public Consultancy and Services Contracts Bill 2025 Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: To scrutinise this legislation and to hear from stakeholders about the importance of this legislation. Possible submissions or evidence from: Interested parties and stakeholders Committee to which bill is to be referred: Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee Possible hearing date(s): October 2025 to February 2026 Possible reporting date: 30 March 2026 (signed)

Print name: SENATOR WENDY ASKEW