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Joint Standing Committee on Migration

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Terms of reference

On 10 May 2012, the House of Representatives adopted the report by the House of Representatives Selection Committee entitled *Report No. 51: Private Members' Business and Referral of Bills to Committee.*

In that report, the Selection Committee determined that the Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge Bill 2012 and Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Migration for inquiry and report.

List of recommendations

Commentary on the bills

Recommendation 1

That the Department of Immigration and Citizenship amend the explanatory memoranda for the Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge Bill 2012 and the Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 to more clearly explain the policy rationale and costing methodology underpinning the measures contained in those bills.

Recommendation 2

That the Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge Bill 2012 and the Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012 be passed without amendment.