

Fisheries Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 (No 1)

Introduced into the House of Representatives on 27 June 2012

Portfolio: Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Response received: 12 October 2012

Committee view

1.2 The committee thanks the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry for providing further information regarding the relevant policies and legal requirements for the storage, handling and disposal of E-monitoring data. Having considered this further information in conjunction with the statement of compatibility, the committee is satisfied that this bill does not appear to raise any human rights concerns.

Purpose of the bill

1.3 This bill amends the *Fisheries Management Act 1991* and the *Fisheries Administration Act 1991* to:

- introduce electronic monitoring (e-monitoring) to Australian boats that are authorised to fish under concessions and scientific permits granted by the Commonwealth; and
- make several minor amendments to the FM Act to clarify and make provisions consistent.

1.4 The Minister's response can be found in Appendix 1.