Migration Amendment (Ending the Nation's Shame) Bill 2014

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1.114 The Migration Amendment (Ending the Nation's Shame) Bill 2014 seeks to amend the *Migration Act 1958* to afford specific rights to non-citizens who travel or are brought to Australia which they are currently denied under existing legislation.

- 1.115 The bills proposes the following changes:
- an end to temporary protection visas;
- a cessation of all offshore processing and mandatory detention;
- full access to Centrelink, Medicare and work rights for those on Protection and Bridging class visas; and
- an increase in the right to review and appeal provisions of the *Migration Act* 1958.

1.116 The bill is accompanied by a statement of compatibility which states that 'this bill is compatible with the human rights and freedoms recognised or declared in the international instruments listed in section 3 of the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny Act 2011.*¹

1.117 The committee considers that the bill does not appear to give rise to human rights concerns.

¹ Explanatory memorandum (EM), [p. 1].