

# **SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE**

**REPORT NO. 4 OF 2022**

*8 September 2022*

## **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

Senator Paul Scarr

Senator Tammy Tyrrell

Secretary: Tim Bryant  
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 7 September 2022 at 7.15 pm.
2. The committee recommends that—
  - (a) the *provisions* of the Atomic Energy Amendment (Mine Rehabilitation and Closure) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 23 November 2022 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
  - (b) the *provisions* of the Emergency Response Fund Amendment (Disaster Ready Fund) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 November 2022 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
  - (c) the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Climate Trigger) Bill 2022 [No. 2] be *referred immediately* to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 28 February 2023 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee recommends that the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
  - Defence, Veterans’ and Families’ Acute Support Package Bill 2022
  - Health Legislation Amendment (Medicare Compliance and Other Measures) Bill 2022
  - Landholders’ Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015
  - Narcotic Drugs (Licence Charges) Amendment Bill 2022
  - National Health Amendment (General Co-payment) Bill 2022.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
  - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Audio Description) Bill 2019
  - Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018
  - Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (AFP Powers and Other Matters) Bill 2022
  - Customs Legislation Amendment (Commercial Greyhound Export and Import Prohibition) Bill 2021
  - Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2020
  - Electric Vehicles Accountability Bill 2021
  - Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Regional Forest Agreements) Bill 2020
  - Federal Environment Watchdog Bill 2021

- Financial Accountability Regime Bill 2022  
Financial Sector Reform Bill 2022  
Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy Bill 2022  
Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy (Collection) Bill 2022
- High Speed Rail Authority Bill 2022
- Parliamentary Privileges Amendment (Royal Commission Response) Bill 2022
- Snowy Hydro Corporatisation Amendment (No New Fossil Fuels) Bill 2021 [No. 2]
- Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Incentivising Pensioners to Downsize) Bill 2022
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2022 Measures No. 3) Bill 2022  
Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2022  
Income Tax Amendment (Labour Mobility Program) Bill 2022
- United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Bill 2022.

(Anne Urquhart)

**Chair**

8 September 2022

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

**Name of bill:**

Atomic Energy Amendment (Mine Rehabilitation and Closure) Bill 2022

**Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:**

**Hear from stakeholders**

Hear from traditional owners

Hear from Department

**Possible submissions or evidence from:**

Traditional Owners

Academics

Department

Relevant Companies

**Committee to which bill is to be referred:**

Economics Legislation Committee

**Possible hearing date(s):**

Sept-Oct 2022

Dec-Feb 2022-23

**Possible reporting date:**

First sitting Tuesday 2023

(signed)



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Print name:

NICK McKim

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

**Name of bill:**

Emergency Response Fund Amendment (Disaster Ready Fund) Bill 2022

**Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:**

Complicated issue with huge ramifications for disaster affected communities

**Possible submissions or evidence from:**

Community Groups, Emergency services, Individuals that are affected

**Committee to which bill is to be referred:**

Finance and Public Affairs Committee

**Possible hearing date(s):**

September – January

**Possible reporting date:**

Friday before the first sitting week in February 2023

(signed)



Print name: Wendy Askew

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

Name of bill:

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Climate Trigger) Bill 2021

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examine importance of the bill

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Environment Stakeholders

Industry Stakeholders

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Environment and Communications

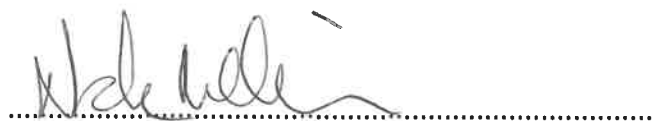
Possible hearing date(s):

Late 2022/early 2023

Possible reporting date:

28 February 2023

(signed)



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Print name:

Nick McKim