

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 5 OF 2022

28 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

Senator Matt O'Sullivan

Senator David Pocock

Senator Paul Scarr

Senator Tammy Tyrrell

Secretary: Tim Bryant
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1. The committee met in private session on Tuesday, 27 September 2022 at 7.50 pm.
2. The committee recommends that—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Anti-Discrimination and Human Rights Legislation Amendment (Respect at Work) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 3 November 2022 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the *provisions* of the Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Cheaper Child Care) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 November 2022 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (c) the *provisions* of the Financial Accountability Regime Bill 2022, the Financial Sector Reform Bill 2022, the Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy Bill 2022 and the Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy (Collection) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 October 2022 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (d) the National Energy Transition Authority Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 14 March 2023;
 - (e) the Parliamentary Privileges Amendment (Royal Commission Response) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 November 2022 (see appendix 4 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (f) the *provisions* of the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Incentivising Pensioners to Downsize) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 October 2022;
 - (g) the *provisions* of the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Workforce Incentive) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 10 November 2022 (see appendix 5 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (h) the *provisions* of the Treasury Laws Amendment (2022 Measures No. 3) Bill 2022, the Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2022 and the Income Tax Amendment (Labour Mobility Program) Bill 2022 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 November 2022 (see appendix 6 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee recommends that the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (AFP Powers and Other Matters) Bill 2022
 - High Speed Rail Authority Bill 2022

- Restoring Territory Rights Bill 2022.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
- Animal Health Australia and Plant Health Australia Funding Legislation Amendment Bill 2022
 - Biosecurity Amendment (Strengthening Biosecurity) Bill 2022
 - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Audio Description) Bill 2019
 - Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018
 - 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
 - Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2022
 - National Anti-Corruption Commission Bill 2022
National Anti-Corruption Commission (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2022
 - Offshore Electricity Infrastructure Legislation Amendment Bill 2022
 - Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2022
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) Amendment Bill 2022
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Manufacture Levy) Amendment Bill 2022
 - Snowy Hydro Corporatisation Amendment (No New Fossil Fuels) Bill 2021 [No. 2]
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Australia-India Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2022
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (More Competition, Better Prices) Bill 2022
 - United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Bill 2022.

(Anne Urquhart)

Chair

28 September 2022

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Cheaper Child Care) Bill 2022

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

The Bill introduces measures which will benefit a significant number of Australian families who access early childhood and education services and which account for a significant Government investment in this sector.

The Bill's key measures include:

- increasing child care subsidies;
- introducing a base level of 36 subsidised hours per fortnight for Indigenous Australian children;
- introducing integrity and transparency measures in the early childhood education and care sector.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Members of the Early Childhood and Education Reference Group, for example Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care, Early Childhood Australia, Goodstart Early Learning, Early Learning and Care Council of Australia, Australian Childcare Alliance

United Workers Union

Other peak bodies in the sector

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

Possible hearing date(s):

October – November 2022

Possible reporting date:

9 November 2022

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Print name:



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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Cheaper Child Care)
Bill 2022

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Complicated issue

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Sector, Groups Individuals that are affected

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Education and employment Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

October – November

Possible reporting date:

16 November 2022

(signed)



Print name: Wendy Askew

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

Name of bill:

[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](#)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Complicated issue

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Sector, Groups Individuals that are affected

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Economics Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

September – October

Possible reporting date:

20 October 2022

(signed)



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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Parliamentary Privileges Amendment (Royal Commission Response) Bill 2022

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- Review of recommendation 7 of the Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide
- Consideration of the impact of parliamentary privilege on the Royal Commission's work to date
- Consideration of the impact of parliamentary privilege on previous Royal Commissions

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- The Royal Commission into Defence and Veteran Suicide
- Legal academics: Kim Rubenstein; Anne Twomey; George Williams
- The Law Council
- The Human Rights Law Centre
- Australian Lawyers Alliance / law societies
- Previous royal commissioners
- Veterans' and defence personnel representatives
- Attorney General's Department

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and constitutional affairs committee

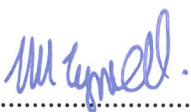
Possible hearing date(s):

17th to 21st October

Possible reporting date:

17th November

(signed)



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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

[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](#)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Complicated issue

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Sector, Groups Individuals that are affected

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Economics Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

September – October

Possible reporting date:

20 October 2022

(signed)



Print name: Wendy Askew