

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 10 of 2006

14 September 2006

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Jeannie Ferris (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator George Campbell (Opposition Whip)

Senator Andrew Bartlett (Australian Democrats Whip)

Senator Nigel Scullion (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (The Australian Greens Whip)

Senator the Hon Chris Ellison

Senator Joe Ludwig

Senator Stephen Parry

Senator Ruth Webber

Secretary: Richard Pye
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SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 13 September 2006 at 4.22 pm.
2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Customs Amendment (2007 Harmonized System Changes) Bill 2006 and Customs Tariff Amendment (2007 Harmonized System Changes) Bill 2006 be *referred immediately* to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee for inquiry and report by 9 October 2006 (see appendices 1 and 2 for statements of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the Aged Care Amendment (Residential Care) Bill 2006 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 9 October 2006 (see appendices 3 and 4 for statements of reasons for referral); and
 - (c) the Privacy Legislation Amendment (Emergencies and Disasters) Bill 2006 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 12 October 2006 (see appendix 5 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee resolved to recommend—That, upon introduction—
 - (a) the Crimes Amendment (Bail and Sentencing) Bill 2006 be *referred* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 16 October 2006 (see appendix 6 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the *provisions* of the Corporations Amendment (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations) Bill 2006 and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Consequential, Transitional and Other Measures Bill 2006 be *referred* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 9 October 2006 (see appendix 7 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (c) the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2006 and the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Television) Bill 2006, and the *provisions* of the Communications Legislation Amendment (Enforcement Powers) Bill 2006 and the Television Licence Fees Amendment Bill 2006 be *referred* to the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Committee for inquiry and report by 5 October 2006 (see appendix 8 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (d) the *provisions* of the Defence Legislation Amendment Bill 2006 be *referred* to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2006 (see appendix 9 for a statement of reasons for referral); and

- (e) the *provisions* of the Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the Child Support Scheme—New Formula and Other Measures) Bill 2006 be *referred* to the Community Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 10 October 2006 (see appendix 10 for a statement of reasons for referral).
4. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
- Housing Loans Insurance Corporation (Transfer of Assets and Abolition) Repeal Bill 2006
 - Housing Loans Insurance Corporation (Transfer of Pre-transfer Contracts) Bill 2006
 - Migration Legislation Amendment (Complementary Protection Visas) Bill 2006
 - Migration Legislation Amendment (End of Mandatory Detention) Bill 2006
 - Tax Laws Amendment (2006 Measures No. 5) Bill 2006.

The committee recommends accordingly.

5. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
- Judiciary Legislation Amendment Bill 2006
 - Law and Justice Legislation Amendment (Marking of Plastic Explosives) Bill 2006
 - Medical Indemnity Legislation Amendment Bill 2006.

(Jeannie Ferris)

Chair

14 September 2006



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: *Customs Amendment (2007 Harmonized System Changes) Bill 2006*
Customs Tariff Amendment (2007 Harmonized System Changes) Bill 2006

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: *Examination of the bills as necessary*

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred: *Foreign Affairs, Defence + Trade*

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: *9 October 2006*

(signed) *[Signature]*
Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill Customs Amendment (2007) Harmonised System changes) Bill 2006 & Customs Tariff
Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: Amendment (2007 Harmonised System changes) Bill 2006.

1. Examine the proposed changes to the Harmonised system and Tariff Amendments.

2. To ensure that there are no possible unintended consequences of the proposed changes.

Possible submissions or evidence from: Customs Brokers, Importers, Exporters and Freight Forwarders, Industry Associations - Plywood, carbonised paper and Adhesive papers.

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Foreign Affairs Defence & Trade leg.

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: 16/10/06.

(signed) J. Gray 13/9
Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill : *Aged Care Amendment (Residential Care) Bill 200*

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: *Examination of the bill as necessary*

Possible submissions or evidence from:

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

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: *9 October 2006*

(signed)

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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill Aged Care Amendment (Residential Care)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Analysis of the effectiveness, process of evaluation and implementation of the new funding model.

Analysis of the r.a.c. supplements

Possible submissions or evidence from: ACSA, ACA, COTA, alzheimer's Assoc, Australian Soc for Geriatric Medicine, AMA, ANF, HSW, Aged Assoc for Gerontology, LHMU, CHA.
Committee to which bill is to be referred: Community Affairs.

Possible hearing date(s): 26 SEPT.

Possible reporting date:

(signed) [Signature] 13/9/06
Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill *Privacy Legislation Amendment (Emergencies + Disasters)*
Bill 2006

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:
Examination of the bill as necessary

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred:
Legal & Constitutional

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: *12 October 2006*

(signed)

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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee
upon its introduction in the Senate

Name of bill: *Crimes Amendment (Bail + Sentencing) Bill 2006*

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examination of the bill as necessary

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal + Constitutional

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: *16 October 2006*

(signed)

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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

upon its introduction into the House of Representatives

Name of bill: *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Consequential, Transitional and other measures Bill 2006*
Corporations Amendment (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations Bill 2006

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examination of the bills as necessary

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal + Constitutional

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: *9 October 2006*

(signed)

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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee upon their introduction into the Parliament

- Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2006
- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Television) Bill 2006
- Communications Legislation Amendment (Enforcement Powers) Bill 2006

Name of bill - Television Licence fees Amendment Bill 2006

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examination of the bills as necessary

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Environment, Communications, IT and the Arts

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: 3 October 2006

(signed)

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THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee
upon its introduction into the House of Representatives

Name of bill: Defence Legislation Amendment Bill 2006

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examination of the bill as necessary

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: 10 October 2006

(signed)

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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee
upon its introduction into the House of Representatives

Name of bill: *Child Support Legislation Amendment (Reform of the
Child Support Scheme - New formula and other measures)
Bill 2006*

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: *Examination of the bill as necessary*

Possible submissions or evidence from:

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

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: *10 October 2006*

(signed) *[Signature]*
Whip Selection of Bills Committee member

**SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 10 OF 2006—
AMENDMENT TO REPORT**

(after adoption of committee report is moved)

MINISTER:

I move the following amendment:

At the end of the motion, add “and, in respect of the reference to the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Media Ownership) Bill 2006 and related bills, a background paper by the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (Senator Coonan) on new services on digital spectrum also be referred to the committee.”.