

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 10 of 2007

21 June 2007

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Stephen Parry (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator George Campbell (Opposition Whip)

Senator Andrew Bartlett (Australian Democrats Whip)

Senator Fiona Nash (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (The Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Steve Fielding (The Family First Whip)

Senator the Hon. Eric Abetz

Senator Joe Ludwig

Senator Julian McGauran

Senator Ruth Webber

Secretary: Richard Pye
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 20 June 2007 at 4.20 pm.
2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2007 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 1 August 2007 (see appendix 1 for statements of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the *provisions* of the International Trade Integrity Bill 2007 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee for inquiry and report by 1 August 2007 (see appendix 2 for statements of reasons for referral);
 - (c) the Trade Practices Amendment (Predatory Pricing) Bill 2007 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Committee for inquiry and report by 1 August 2007 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (d) the *provisions* of the Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2007 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Committee for inquiry and report by 1 August 2007 (see appendix 4 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (e) the *provisions* of the Social Security Amendment (2007 Measures No. 1) Bill 2007 be *referred immediately* to the Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Committee for inquiry and report by 30 July 2007 (see appendix 5 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (f) the *provisions* of the Communications Legislation Amendment (Information Sharing and Datacasting) Bill 2007 be *referred immediately* to the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Committee for inquiry and report by 30 July 2007 (see appendix 6 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Australian Postal Corporation Amendment (Quarantine Inspection and Other Measures) Bill 2007
 - Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs Legislation Amendment (Further 2007 Budget Measures) Bill 2007
 - Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Amendment (Cosmetics) Bill 2007
 - Judges' Pensions Amendment Bill 2007
 - National Health Amendment (National HPV Vaccination Program Register) Bill 2007
 - Repatriation of Citizens Bill 2007

- Tax Laws Amendment (Simplified GST Accounting) Bill 2007
- Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill 2007
- Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2007.

The committee recommends accordingly.

4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Australian Technical Colleges (Flexibility in Achieving Australia's Skills Needs) Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2007
 - Lobbying and Ministerial Accountability Bill 2007
 - Peace and Non-Violence Commission Bill 2007
 - Public Interest Disclosures Bill 2007.

(Stephen Parry)

Chair

21 June 2007



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2007

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: May be some constitutional/legal issues. Police Federation of Australia (PFA) have identified areas of concern

Possible submissions or evidence from: Civil liberties groups and the PFA

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Possible hearing date(s): —

Possible reporting date: — August 2007

(signed) [Signature] 20/6/07
Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

APPENDIX 2



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600
SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill *Introscribed Trade Integrity Bill 2007*

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

..... *To ensure compliance with*
..... *recommendations of the Cole inquiry*
..... *and Phase 2 Report of the OECD*

Possible submissions or evidence from: *Law Council of Australia*
..... *Business Council, trade community*
..... *representatives*

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Possible hearing date(s): *AS PER COMMITTEE*

Possible reporting date: *13/8/07*

(signed)

..... *[Signature]* *20/6/07*
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: International Trade Integrity Bill 2007

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

Possible submissions or evidence from: .

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Possible hearing date (s):

Possible reporting date: 26 July 2007

(signed)

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Whip/Selection of Bills Committee member

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Trade Practices Amendment (Predatory Pricing) Bill 2007

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

FAMILY FIRST believes small businesses should be protected from predatory pricing, where powerful corporations drop their prices in one area to drive out competitors, before raising prices later on. For example, this is a significant problem with the market dominance of Coles and Woolwo-ths which have 80 per cent control of the grocery trade and also dominate the petrol market.

It is important for this bill to be referred to committee to ensure that it reflects its intent of outlawing predatory pricing.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Council of Small Business Organisations of Australia, National Association of Retail Grocers of Australia, Motor Trade Association of Australia, Pharmacy Guild, Victorian Automobile Chamber of Commerce.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Economics Committee

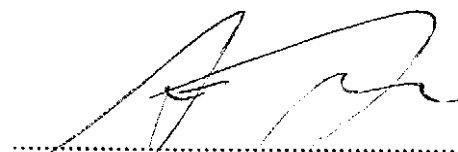
Possible hearing date(s):

Tuesday, 31 July; Wednesday, 1 August; Thursday 2 August

Possible reporting date:

Thursday 9 August.

(signed)



Steve Fielding



THE SENATE

CANBERRA ACT 2600

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Trade Practices Legislation Amendment (No.1) Bill 2007

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Consideration of the bill as necessary.

Possible submissions or evidence from: .

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Economics

Possible hearing date (s):

Possible reporting date: 30 July 2007

(signed)

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Whip/Selection of Bills Committee member

APPENDIX 5



AUSTRALIAN SENATE

SELECTION OF BILL COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of Bill: Social Security Amendment (2007 Measures No.1)**Reasons for Referral/ Principal Issues for consideration:**

To investigate the impact of amendments contained in this Bill to mobility allowance, child support reforms and social security laws such as youth allowance on people receiving/applying for payments.

Possible Submissions or Evidence from:

Australian Council of Social Services
Welfare Rights Centre
National Disability Services
Australian Federation of Disability Services
Australian Childhood Foundation
National Union of Students

Committee to which Bill is to be referred:

Employment, Workplace Relations and Education

Possible Hearing Date(s):

Possible reporting date: 9 August 2007

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Senator Andrew Bartlett, Australian Democrats Whip



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Communications Legislation Amendment (Information Sharing And
Datacasting) Bill 2007

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

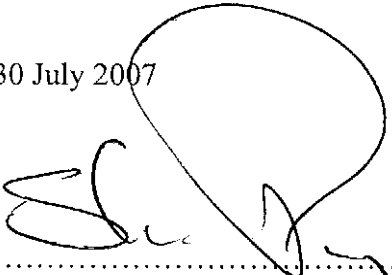
Possible submissions or evidence from: .

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Environment, Communications, IT and the Arts

Possible hearing date (s):

Possible reporting date: 30 July 2007

(signed)


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Whip/Selection of Bills Committee member