

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 5 of 2011

12 May 2011

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Anne McEwen (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Stephen Parry (Opposition Whip)

Senator John Williams (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Steve Fielding (Family First Party Whip)

Senator Judith Adams

Senator Carol Brown

Senator Mitch Fifield

Senator the Hon. Joe Ludwig

Secretary: Maureen Weeks
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 11 May 2011 at 7.36 pm.
2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Child Support (Registration and Collection) Amendment Bill 2011 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 July 2011 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the *provisions* of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2011 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 July 2011 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (c) the *provisions* of the Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test and Other Provisions) Bill 2011 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 June 2011 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (d) the Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 September 2011 (see appendix 4 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (e) the Remuneration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 be *referred immediately* to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 June 2011 (see appendix 5 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Air Cargo) Bill 2011
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2011
 - ComSuper Bill 2011
 - Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2011
 - Customs Amendment (Export Controls and Other Measures) Bill 2011
 - Customs Tariff Amendment (2012 Harmonized System Changes) Bill 2011
 - Governance of Australian Government Superannuation Schemes Bill 2011
 - International Tax Agreements Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2011
 - Migration Amendment (Detention of Minors) Bill 2010
 - National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Home Loans and Credit Cards) Bill 2011
 - Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011

- Social Security Legislation Amendment (Job Seeker Compliance) Bill 2011
- Statute Stocktake Bill (No. 1) 2011
- Superannuation Legislation (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011
- Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 2) Bill 2011
- Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Fibre Deployment) Bill 2011
- Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2011 Measures No. 1) Bill 2011.

The committee recommends accordingly.

4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Further Election Commitments and Other Measures) Bill 2011
 - Responsible Takeaway Alcohol Hours Bill 2010.

(Anne McEwen)

Chair

12 May 2011

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Child Support (Registration and Collection) Amendment Bill 2011

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- Whether it is appropriate to outsource child support collections and, in particular, the extent to which privacy is to be protected;
- Whether the offence provisions are appropriate.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Child Support Agency
Privacy Commissioner
Director of Public Prosecutions

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Possible hearing date(s):

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Possible reporting date:

7 July 2011

(signed)


Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2011

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- Whether provisions as to the delegation of powers are appropriate;
- Inquire into oversight of use of coercive powers by delegates.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Attorney-General's Department
Intelligence and Security Agencies
IGIS

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs


Possible hearing date(s):

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Possible reporting date:

7 July 2011

(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:

Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test and Other Provisions) Bill 2011

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Interaction with existing legislative requirements under domestic laws
Interaction with our international obligations

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Refugee Council of Australia
Refugee Information Law Centre
Australian Human Rights Commission
DIAC
AFP

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

9 and 10 June

Possible reporting date:

June 23

(signed)



Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

The Bill is complex and raises a range of stakeholder interests – it is important that there is an opportunity to properly investigate and consider these.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

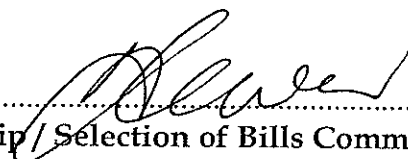
Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date:

September 2011

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill: Remuneration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

The speed with which the bill has been introduced, passed through the House and scheduled in the Senate has left insufficient time to consider the bill adequately.

Particular issues for consideration are the removal of parliament's ability to disallow parliamentary remuneration determinations.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Clerk of the Senate, CPSU, Remuneration Tribunal, Barbara Belcher or members of the review

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

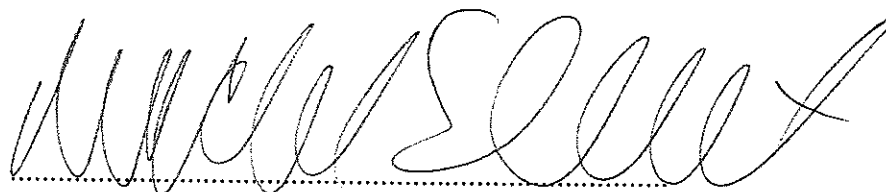
Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date:

22 June 2011

(signed)



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