

***SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE***

***REPORT NO. 15 OF 2012***

*20 November 2012*

## **MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

Senator Anne McEwen (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Helen Kroger (Opposition Whip)

Senator John Williams (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Carol Brown

Senator David Bushby

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins

Senator Mitch Fifield

Secretary: Maureen Weeks  
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1. The committee met in private session on Monday, 19 November 2012 at 7.51 pm.
2. The committee resolved to recommend—That the *provisions* of the National Gambling Reform Bill 2012, the National Gambling Reform (Related Matters) Bill (No. 1) 2012 and the National Gambling Reform (Related Matters) Bill (No. 2) 2012 be *referred immediately* to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 27 November 2012 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
  - Anti-Money Laundering Amendment (Gaming Machine Venues) Bill 2012
  - Customs Amendment (Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation and Other Measures) Bill 2012
  - Customs Tariff Amendment (Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2012.

*The committee recommends accordingly.*

(Anne McEwen)

**Chair**

19 November 2012

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**Proposal to refer a bill to a committee**

**Name of bill:** National Gambling Reform Bill 2012  
National Gambling Reform (Related Matters) Bill (No. 1) 2012  
National Gambling Reform (Related Matters) Bill (No. 2) 2012

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

1. Investigate the need for Commonwealth regulation given all states and territories regulate the area;
2. Investigate technical issues;
3. Investigate issues relating to administration, privacy and the need for a Commonwealth regulator;
4. Investigate the model proposed by the government; and
5. Investigate alternative approaches.

**Possible submissions or evidence from:**

1. Australian Churches Taskforce on Gambling Reform
2. Clubs Australia
3. Australian Casinos Association
4. Gaming Technology Association and poker machine manufacturers

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

Finance and Public Administration

**Possible hearing date(s):** At the earliest convenience, but prior to the Senate considering the legislation.

**Possible reporting date:** At the earliest convenience, but prior to the Senate considering the legislation.

Senator Fifield

(signed)

Whip/ Selection of Bills Committee member

**SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE—  
PRESENTATION OF THE FIFTEENTH REPORT OF 2012—AMENDMENT  
AGREED TO BY THE SENATE ON 20 NOVEMBER 2012**

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In respect of the National Gambling Reform Bill 2012, the National Gambling Reform (Related Matters) Bill (No. 1) 2012 and the National Gambling Reform (Related Matters) Bill (No. 2) 2012, the provisions of these bills be referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee instead of the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 27 November 2012”.