



THE SENATE
CANBERRA ACT 2600

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 1 of 2003

5 February 2003

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Jeannie Ferris (Government Whip, Chair)

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Senator Lyn Allison (Australian Democrats Whip)

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Secretary: Rosemary Laing
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1. The committee met on Tuesday, 4 February 2003.
2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment Bill 2002 and the Superannuation (Financial Assistance Funding) Levy Amendment Bill 2002 be *referred immediately* to the Select Committee on Superannuation for inquiry and report by 19 March 2003 (see appendix 1 for statement of reasons for referral)
 - (b) the *provisions* of the Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002 be *referred immediately* to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee but was unable to reach agreement on a reporting date (see appendix 2 for statement of reasons for referral)
 - (c) the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
 - Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002
 - Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2002
 - Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Members of Local Government Bodies) Bill 2002
 - Crimes Legislation Enhancement Bill 2002 [2003]
 - Customs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002
 - Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
 - Medical Indemnity (Prudential Supervision and Product Standards) Bill 2002
 - Medical Indemnity (Prudential Supervision and Product Standards) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002
 - National Blood Authority Bill 2002
 - National Residue Survey (Customs) Levy Amendment Bill 2002
 - National Residue Survey (Excise) Levy Amendment Bill 2002
 - Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry (Bali Bombings) Bill 2002
 - Public Interest Disclosure (Protection of Whistleblowers) Bill 2002
 - Snowy Hydro Corporatisation Amendment Bill 2002
 - Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2002.

The committee recommends accordingly.

3. The committee *deferred* consideration of the following bills to the next meeting:

Bill deferred from meeting of 20 August 2002

- Occupational Health and Safety (Commonwealth Employment) Amendment (Employee Involvement and Compliance) Bill 2002.

Bills deferred from meeting of 12 November 2002

- Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002
Plastic Bag (Minimisation of Usage) Education Fund Bill 2002.

Bills deferred from meeting of 19 November 2002

- Workplace Relations Amendment (Award Simplification) Bill 2002
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Choice in Award Coverage) Bill 2002.

Bill deferred from meeting of 3 December 2002

- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002.

Bills deferred from meeting of 10 December 2002

- Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 8) 2002
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Prohibition of Compulsory Union Fees) Bill 2002 [No. 2].

Bills deferred from meeting of 4 February 2003

- Corporations Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2002
Corporations (Review Fees) Bill 2002
- Criminal Code Amendment (Terrorism) Bill 2002
- Designs Bill 2002
Designs (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2002
- Health Insurance Amendment (Diagnostic Imaging, Radiation Oncology and Other Measures) Bill 2002
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2002
- New Business Tax System (Consolidation and Other Measures) Bill (No. 2) 2002
New Business Tax System (Venture Capital Deficit Tax) Bill 2002
- Terrorism Insurance Bill 2002.

(Jeannie Ferris)
Chair

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee
SUPERANNUATION INDUSTRY (SUPERVISION) AMENDMENT
BILL 2002

Name of bill SUPERANNUATION (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUNDING)
LEVY AMENDMENT BILL 2002

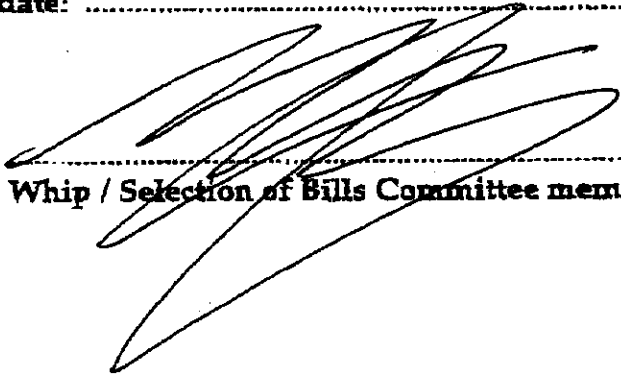
Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:
compensation against theft or fraud of superannuation
(retirement) funds is a critical public policy issue
the compensation mechanism + level should be closely
examined particularly as this legislation is the response to
homebased domestic theft case - the first in law.

Possible submissions or evidence from: ASFA, business organizations

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Senate Select Committee on
Superannuation

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date:

(signed) 
Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member



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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill Wheat Marketing Amendment Bill 2002

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: Sections of the Australian Grain Industry do not support the proposed levy. There is concern about the performance of the Wheat Export Authority - the body to be funded by the levy. There is also concern about the capacity of the WEA to properly review the Single Desk Marketing arrangements and the timing of that review.

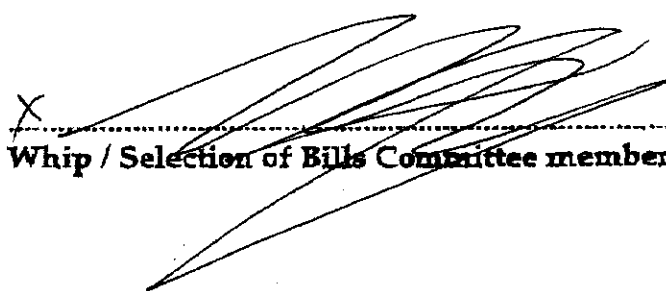
Possible submissions or evidence from: Grain Council of Aust. Aust. Wheat Board. State based Rural organisations the grain trading sectors.

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee.

Possible hearing date(s): _____

Possible reporting date: 15 May 2003

(signed)

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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member