

REPORT NO. 4 of 2003

### MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Jeannie Ferris (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Sue Mackay (Opposition Whip)

Senator Lyn Allison (Australian Democrats Whip)

Senator Julian McGauran (National Party of Australia Whip)

Senator Geoffrey Buckland

Senator the Hon. Ian Campbell

Senator Alan Eggleston

Senator Joseph Ludwig

Secretary:

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- 1. The committee met on Tuesday, 25 March 2003.
- 2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
  - (a) the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002 be *referred immediately* to the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee for inquiry and report on 25 November 2003 (see appendix 1 for statement of reasons for referral);
  - (b) upon its introduction into the House of Representatives, the *provisions* of the Aviation Transport Security Bill 2003 and the Aviation Transport Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2003 be *referred immediately* to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee for inquiry and report on 16 May 2003 (see appendix 2 for statement of reasons for referral);
  - (c) upon its introduction into the House of Representatives, the *provisions* of the Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2003 be *referred immediately* to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee for inquiry and report on 16 May 2003 (see appendix 3 for statement of reasons for referral); and
  - (d) the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Legislation Amendment (Terrorism) Bill 2002 [No. 2] not be referred to committee.

### The committee recommends accordingly.

3. The committee considered a proposal to vary the order of the Senate of 5 February 2003 adopting the committee's 1<sup>st</sup> report of 2003 to provide that the *provisions* of the Medical Indemnity (Prudential Supervision and Product Standards) Bill 2002 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report on 15 May 2003, but *unanimously resolved* that the bill *not be referred*.

## The committee recommends accordingly.

4. 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 19 November 2002

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

# Bills deferred from meeting of 4 March 2003

- Family Law Amendment Bill 2003
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Compliance with Court and Tribunal Orders) Bill 2003.

(Jeannie Ferris) **Chair** 

26 March 2003

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APPENDIX 1



# SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

# Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of Bill: Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Invasive Species) Bill 2002

# Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examination of the provisions of the Bill with specific reference to:

- (a) the adequacy of Australia's management regime of invasive species;
- (b) the economic and environmental costs currently being incurred due to invasive species and likely future costs;
- (c) the need for a comprehensive national legislative regime to address the economic and environmental threats of invasive species; and
- (d) whether this Bill is an effective and adequate mechanism for dealing with these issues.

# Possible submission or evidence from:

Weeds CRC Farming and agriculture organisations Plant Nurseries Pet and aquarium businesses **Environment Groups** 

# Committee to which Bill is referred:

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

July/August 2003

Possible reporting date:

November 2003

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Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Aviation Transport Security. Bill 2003

Aviation Transport Security (Consequential Provisions) Bill

2003

# Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To allow the committee to consider the provisions of these proposed important reforms to the aviation security framework and the benefits for aviation security.

### Possible submissions or evidence from:

Australian Airports Association Board of Airline Representatives of Australia Major airlines and airports Department of Transport and Regional Services

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

Upon introduction of the bill into the House of Representatives, the provisions of these bills be referred to the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee

# Possible hearing date(s):

to be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

16 April 2003

(signed)

Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

## Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

#### Name of bill:

Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2003

# Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To allow the committee to consider the provisions of this Bill.

#### Possible submissions or evidence from:

Aerial Agricultural Association of Australia (AAAA)

Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association of Australia (AOPA)

Airservices Australia (AsA)

Air Safety Australia

Australian Airports Association (AAAL)

Australian Association of Flight Instructors (AAFI)

Australian Federation of Air Pilots (AFAP)

Australian and International Pilots Association (AIPA)

Australian Licensed Aircraft Engineers Association (ALAEA)

Aviation Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul Business Association (AMROBA)

Aviation Safety Foundation Australia (ASFA)

Department of Transport and Regional Services (DOTARS) and Civil Aviation

Safety Authority (CASA)

Guild of Air Pilots and Air Navigators (Australian Region) (GAPAN)

Helicopter Association of Australia (HAA)

Oantas Airways Limited

Regional Aviation Association of Australia (RAAA)

Royal Federation of Aero Clubs of Australia (RCACA)

Virgin Blue Airlines Pty Ltd

Individual authorisation holders

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

Upon introduction of the bill into the House of Representatives, the provisions of the bill be referred to the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee

# Possible hearing date(s):

to be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

16 April 2003

(signed)

Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member