

# **PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS**

## **CHAIR'S TABLING STATEMENT**

**TUESDAY 2 September 2014**

I rise to speak to the tabling of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights' Eleventh Report of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament.

The committee considered four bills. Of these four bills, one does not require further scrutiny as it is compatible with human rights. The committee has decided to further defer its consideration of three bills.

The committee has not identified any bills that it considers require further examination and for which it will seek further information.

The committee also examined, and made a number of recommendations in relation to, one Act previously identified as potentially giving rise to human rights concerns.

Of the bills considered, those which are scheduled for debate during the sitting week commencing 1 September 2014 include:

- Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Bill 2014
- Social Security Legislation Amendment (Stronger Penalties for Serious Failures) Bill 2014
- Mining Subsidies Legislation Amendment (Raising Revenue) Bill 2014.

The report outlines the committee's assessment of the compatibility of these bills with human rights.

With these comments, I commend the committee's Eleventh Report of the 44<sup>th</sup> Parliament to the Senate.