

# Report

1.1 On 8 December 2017, the President of the Senate, Senator the Honourable Scott Ryan, received a submission from Professor Simon Chapman AO seeking redress under the resolution of the Senate of 25 February 1988 relating to the protection of persons referred to in the Senate (Privilege Resolution 5).

1.2 The submission referred to comments made about him in the Senate by Senator Leyonhjelm on 5 December 2017. The President accepted the submission and referred it to the Committee of Privileges.

1.3 The committee met and, pursuant to paragraph (3) of Privilege Resolution 5, decided to consider the submission. The terms of the response, which the committee now recommends for incorporation in *Hansard*, have been agreed to by Professor Chapman and the committee in accordance with Resolution 5(7)(b).

1.4 The committee draws attention to paragraph 5(6) of the resolution which requires that, in considering a submission under this resolution and reporting to the Senate, the committee shall not consider or judge the truth of any statements made in the Senate or in the submission.

1.5 The committee **recommends:**

That a response prepared by Professor Simon Chapman AO in the terms specified at Appendix 1, be incorporated in *Hansard*.

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins  
**Chair**

