

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 2 OF 2024

29 February 2024

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator Anne Urquhart (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Wendy Askew (Opposition Whip)

Senator Ross Cadell (The Nationals Whip)

Senator Pauline Hanson (Pauline Hanson's One Nation Whip)

Senator Nick McKim (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Ralph Babet

Senator the Hon. Anthony Chisholm

Senator the Hon. Katy Gallagher

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Senator Lidia Thorpe

Senator Tammy Tyrrell

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Secretary: Tim Bryant
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 28 February 2024 at 7.13 pm.
2. The committee recommends that—
 - (a) the *provisions* of the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Fair Go for Consumers and Small Business) Bill 2024 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 15 March 2024 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the Crimes Amendment (Strengthening the Criminal Justice Response to Sexual Violence) Bill 2024 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 24 April 2024 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (c) the Fair Work Amendment (Right to Disconnect) Bill 2023 [No. 2] be *referred immediately* to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 14 March 2024; and
 - (d) the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Military Invalidity Payments Means Testing) Bill 2024 be *referred immediately* to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 10 April 2024 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee recommends that the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Autonomous Sanctions Amendment Bill 2024
 - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Community Television) Bill 2024
 - Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2024
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Foreign Investment) Bill 2024
 - Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Amendment (Consideration of UNDRIP) Bill 2023
 - National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Amendment (Strengthening Quality and Integrity in Vocational Education and Training No. 1) Bill 2024
 - Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Domestic Reserve) Bill 2023
 - Social Services Legislation Amendment (Child Support and Family Assistance Technical Amendments) Bill 2024.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Australian Capital Territory Dangerous Drugs Bill 2023
 - Agriculture (Biosecurity Protection) Levies Bill 2024
 - Agriculture (Biosecurity Protection) Charges Bill 2024
 - Agriculture (Biosecurity Protection) Levies and Charges Collection Bill 2024

- Agriculture Legislation Amendment (Modernising Administrative Processes) Bill 2024
 - Airline Passenger Protections (Pay on Delay) Bill 2024
 - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Ban on Gambling Advertisements During Live Sport) Bill 2023
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment (Continuing ACCC Monitoring of Domestic Airline Competition) Bill 2023
 - Criminal Code Amendment (Inciting Illegal Disruptive Activities) Bill 2023
 - Customs Amendment (Preventing Child Labour) Bill 2023
 - Electoral Legislation Amendment (Lowering the Voting Age) Bill 2023 [No. 2]
 - Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Regional Forest Agreements) Bill 2020
 - Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2024
 - Freeze on Rent and Rate Increases Bill 2023
 - Legislate the Date to End Live Sheep Export Bill 2024.
5. The committee considered the following bills but was unable to reach agreement:
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Environmental Heritage) Bill 2024
 - Fair Work Amendment Bill 2024
 - Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment Bill 2024
 - Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Legislation Amendment (Safety and Other Measures) Bill 2024.

(Anne Urquhart)

Chair

29 February 2024

ELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE
Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

[Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Fair Go for Consumers and Small Business\) Bill 2024](#)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To allow for an enquiry into this Legislation.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Interested parties and stakeholders.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Economics Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

March

Possible reporting date:

15 March 2024

(signed)



Print name: Wendy Askew

ELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE
Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

[Crimes Amendment \(Strengthening the Criminal Justice Response to Sexual Violence\) Bill 2024](#)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To address stakeholders concerns about the Bill and ensure thorough scrutiny.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Interested parties and stakeholders.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

March and April

Possible reporting date:

24 April 2024

(signed)



Print name: Wendy Askew

ELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE
Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

[Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment \(Military Invalidation Payments Means Testing\) Bill 2024](#)

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To allow for an enquiry into this Legislation.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Interested parties and stakeholders.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

March

Possible reporting date:

10 April 2024

(signed)



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