



PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS



13 February 2013

Senator Sterle
Chair
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Senator Sterle *Hem*

Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment Bill 2013

I am writing on behalf of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights (PJCHR) to provide you with a copy of the PJCHR's *Second Report of 2013* which was tabled in the House of Representatives today and will be tabled in the Senate on 25 February 2013. A copy of the report is enclosed and can also be accessed online at:

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=humanrights_ctte/reports/index.htm

The PJCHR has functions to examine bills, legislative instruments and Acts for compatibility with human rights as defined in section 3 of the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*.

I would like to draw your attention to the PJCHR's consideration of the above bill. I note that in the normal course of events the PJCHR would not table its comments on bills introduced during the sitting week commencing 5 February 2013 until 13 March 2013. However, as this bill was referred to your Committee for inquiry and report by 12 March 2013, the PJCHR decided to expedite its consideration of this bill to give your Committee the benefit of these comments early in your consideration of this bill.

Should you have any questions regarding the committee's consideration of this bill, please contact the Committee Secretary, Jeanette Radcliffe, on 02 6277 3823.

Yours sincerely

HARRY JENKINS MP
Chair