

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
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**Question No. 197**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 24 May 2007:**

- a) Please provide a table showing, since 1996, the number of bills introduced and the number of pages introduced.
- b) For the records you have available how many Private Members Bills has the Office prepared and pages introduced?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

- a) The number of Bills and number pages introduced each year has been reported in our annual report. The following table shows the figures reported in the annual reports. For the years 1995/96 to 2003/04, the number of pages was described as "totalling more than" the number specified.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Bills</b>	<b>Pages</b>
1995/96	139	6000
1996/97	205	6800
1997/98	219	8500
1998/99	247	9000
1999/00	187	5400
2000/01	170	8700
2001/02	202	6600
2002/03	185	5300
2003/04	173	6700
2004/05	217	7245
2005/06	147	6489

- b) As far as we can ascertain, the only Private Members Bills that the Office have prepared since 1996 are:
- i) Adelaide Airport Curfew Act 2000 (22 pages)
  - ii) Parliamentary Service Amendment Bill 2005 (14 pages)
  - iii) Human Cloning for Reproduction and the Regulation of Human Embryo Research Amendment Bill 2006 (33 pages)