

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

REPORT NO. 7 OF 2018

28 June 2018

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Senator David Bushby (Government Whip, Chair)

Senator Brian Burston (United Australia Party Whip)

Senator Stirling Griff (Centre Alliance Whip)

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

Senator Derryn Hinch (Derryn Hinch's Justice Party Whip)

Senator Rachel Siewert (Australian Greens Whip)

Senator Anne Urquhart (Opposition Whip)

Senator John Williams (The Nationals Whip)

Senator the Hon Jacinta Collins

Senator David Fawcett

Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham

Senator Chris Ketter

Senator Tim Storer

Secretary: Rachel Callinan
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1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 27 June 2018 at 7.20 pm. As resolved at the previous meeting, three members of the New South Wales Legislative Council Selection of Bills Committee attended the meeting to observe proceedings.
2. The committee recommends that—
 - (a) contingent upon introduction in the House of Representatives, the *provisions* of the Defence Amendment (Call Out of the Australian Defence Force) Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 3 September 2018 (see appendix 1 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (b) the Defence Amendment (Sovereign Naval Shipbuilding) Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 15 October 2018 (see appendix 2 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (c) contingent upon introduction in the House of Representatives, the *provisions* of the Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Cross-examination of Parties) Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 13 August 2018 (see appendix 3 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (d) contingent upon introduction in the House of Representatives, the *provisions* of the Modern Slavery Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 24 August 2018 (see appendix 4 for a statement of reasons for referral);
 - (e) the *provisions* of the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2018, and Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 13 August 2018 (see appendix 5 for a statement of reasons for referral); and
 - (f) the *provisions* of the Unexplained Wealth Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 be *referred immediately* to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 6 August 2018 (see appendix 6 for a statement of reasons for referral).
3. The committee recommends that the following bills *not* be referred to committees:
 - Customs Tariff Amendment (Incorporation of Proposals) Bill 2018
 - Export Control Amendment (Equine Live Export for Slaughter Prohibition) Bill 2018
 - Office of National Intelligence Bill 2018
 - Office of National Intelligence (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018

- Telecommunications Legislation Amendment Bill 2018.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
 - Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment (Restoring the Debt Ceiling) Bill 2018
 - Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Censorship) Bill 2018
 - Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Insult and Offend) Bill 2018
 - Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Security) Bill 2018
 - Legislation Amendment (Sunsetting Review and Other Measures) Bill 2018
 - Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2018 Measures No. 1) Bill 2018
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (Financial Sector Regulation) Bill 2018.
 5. Agenda item 3 (Committee membership) deferred until the next meeting.

(David Bushby)

Chair

28 June 2018

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

Name of bill:

Defence Amendment (Call Out of the Australian Defence Force) Bill 2018

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To further investigate potential impacts and unintended consequences of the Bill.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

*Department of Defence
Attorney-General's Department
Chief of Defence Force
ASIO
Australian Federal Police*

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

To be determined by the committee

Possible reporting date:

3 September 2018


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Senator Anne Urquhart

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Appendix 2

Proposal to refer a bill to a committee

Name of bill:

Defence Amendment (Sovereign Naval Shipbuilding) Bill 2018

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

Examine the national security and economic benefits that flow from enhancing Australia's sovereign naval shipbuilding capability.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

ASC
Austal
Henderson Alliance
Defence Teaming Centre
Australian Industry Defence Network
Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union
Damen Shipyards Group
BAE Systems Australia
Saab Australia
Fincantieri
Luerssen
Navantia Australia
Australian Maritime Shipbuilding and Export Group
Submarine Institute of Australia
Civmec
Naval Group
Thales Australia
J & H Williams
Department of Defence
South Australian Government
West Australian Government
Professor John Spoehr

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

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Possible reporting date:

15 October 2018

(signed)


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Whip / Selection of Bills Committee member

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

Name of bill: ***Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Cross-examination of Parties) Bill 2018***

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

To ensure Bill is fit for purpose, and to allow stakeholders a chance to provide advice on any problems to be fixed or improvements that could be made.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

Law Council of Australia

Womens Legal Services

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

To be determined by the committee

Possible reporting date:

13 August 2018


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Senator Anne Urquhart

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

Name of bill: **Modern Slavery Bill 2018**

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- This proposed legislation is the first of its kind in Australia
- Need to consider expert views on impacts and possible improvements

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- Attorney-General's Department
- Commonwealth Department of Public Prosecutions
- Australian Federal Police
- Law Council of Australia
- Transparency International
- Uniting Church of Australia
- International Bar Association
- Walk Free Foundation
- Australian Council of Trade Unions
- Anti-Slavery Australia
- ACRATH
- Business Council of Australia
- Stakeholders who provided submissions to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement's Human Trafficking Inquiry and the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade's Inquiry into Establishing a Modern Slavery Act.

Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s): To be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

24 August 2018



Senator Anne Urquhart

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

Name of bill: *Modern Slavery Bill 2018*

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration: To fully consider relevant matters of policy concern, such as appropriate thresholds, penalties, compliance mechanisms, resourcing levels, and the need for independent oversight. To allow stakeholders an opportunity to contribute to this consideration.

Possible submissions or evidence from: Stop the Traffik; Uniting Church in Australia; Salvation Army; Human Rights Law Centre;

Committee to which bill is to be referred: Legal and Constitutional Affairs – Legislation

Possible hearing date(s): Tuesday 11 September 2018

Possible reporting date: Friday 21 September 2018

(signed)



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Print name:

Senator Rachel Stewart

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

Name of bill:

Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2018

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

The bill makes significant amendments to various areas of intellectual property

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- Oil and gas industry
- Climate and Environment organisations
- Department of Environment

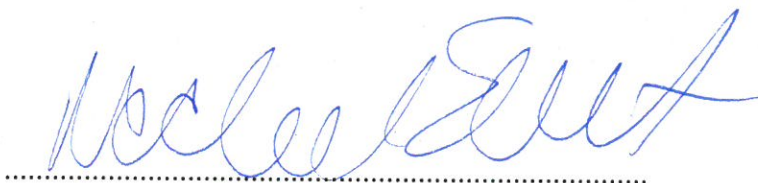
Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s):

Possible reporting date: August 23rd.

(signed)



Print name:

Senator Rachel Siewert

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

Name of bill: **Unexplained Wealth Legislation Amendment Bill 2018**

Reasons for referral/principal issues for consideration:

- This bill would affect State and Territory governments. It is important that we give them an opportunity to provide their views and raise concerns about the proposed national scheme.
- This bill would also affect law enforcement across Australia. Our law enforcement agencies should have an opportunity to comment on the proposed national scheme.
- Finally, this bill would affect people's rights and liberties. It would be appropriate to provide legal organisations and advocates an opportunity to raise any concerns about the protections contained in the bill.

Possible submissions or evidence from:

- Commonwealth Department of Public Prosecutions
- Australian Federal Police
- State and Territory law enforcement
- Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission
- Home Affairs Department
- State and Territory governments
- Law Council of Australia
- Legal Aid organisations
- State and Territory bar councils
- Law Institute of Victoria

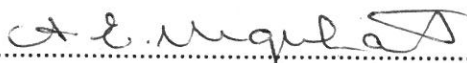
Committee to which bill is to be referred:

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Possible hearing date(s): To be determined by the Committee

Possible reporting date:

10 August 2018


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Senator Anne Urquhart