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### **Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance Reform) Bill 2003**

On 19 March 2003 the Senate, on the recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee, referred the above Bill to the Committee for inquiry and report by 13 May 2003.

The Bill, Explanatory Memorandum, and the Minister's second reading speech relating to the Bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.aph.gov.au/ParlInfo/BillsNet/main.htm>

In recommending the reference of the Bill to the Committee, the Selection of Bills Committee provided the following issues for consideration:

To examine the provisions of the Bill which provide wide discretion to the Minister on the operation of the industry; to determine the fiscal implications of the proposed legislation of Lifetime Health Cover as a vehicle for industry advertising; and to determine the fiscal implications of the community rating amendments.

The Committee invites written submissions addressing the above issues. The submission should be lodged with the Committee by Wednesday, 23 April 2003. The Committee prefers to receive submissions electronically as an attached document - email: [community.affairs.sen@aph.gov.au](mailto:community.affairs.sen@aph.gov.au) – otherwise by fax (number 02 6277 5829).