Final Report

Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009

Referral of inquiry

On 26 November 2009, the Senate, on the recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee, referred the Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009 to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 31 August 2010.

Conduct of inquiry

In accordance with usual practice, the inquiry was advertised in *The Australian* and on the Internet inviting submissions by 24 April 2010. The committee also wrote directly to a number of organisations and individuals inviting submissions to the inquiry.

The committee received 448 submissions. The committee appreciates the contribution of the organisations and individuals that made submissions to this inquiry. These submissions will be tabled in the Senate.

Conclusion

On 19 July 2010, the Governor-General prorogued the 42nd Parliament and dissolved the House of Representatives. After due consideration, the committee has resolved not to continue its inquiry into the bill. If the bill is reintroduced in the new parliament, the Senate may again refer it to the committee for inquiry.

Senator Claire Moore Chair