



Australian Government

Australian Government response to the
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation
Committee report:

Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015

[Provisions]

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Rec No	Recommendation	Government Response
Rec 1	The Committee recommends that the bill be passed.	The Australian Government supports the recommendation. The Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 was introduced to the Senate on 15 October 2015 and negatived by the Senate on 26 November 2015.
Rec 2	The Committee recommends that the Government give further consideration to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the desirability of providing a mechanism for emergency permit applications; and • the need to clarify the effect of the bill on the operators of cruise ships. 	The Australian Government notes these recommendations. The Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 was introduced to the Senate on 15 October 2015 and negatived by the Senate on 26 November 2015.

Rec No	Recommendation (Australian Greens Dissenting Report)	Government response
Rec 1	The Australian Greens recommend that the Senate reject the Bill.	The Australian Government notes this recommendation. The Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 was introduced to the Senate on 15 October 2015 and negatived by the Senate on 26 November 2015.

	Opposition dissenting report	Government response
	We oppose the Bill, and we would urge the Government to withdraw it. Instead we call on the Government to undertake a thorough and formal process of consultation with the shipping industry, rather than the piecemeal process undertaken to date.	The Australian Government notes these recommendations. The Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 was introduced to the Senate on 15 October 2015 and negatived by the Senate on 26 November 2015.