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**Senator STOTT DESPOJA** (South Australia) (9.43 am)—I move:

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) the annual Australian Book Industry Awards took place on 12 September 2005, and
  - (ii) award recipients included HarperCollins Publishers Australia (Publisher of the Year); Dymocks Booksellers Rundle Mall and The Avenue Bookstore (joint winners of Bookshop of the Year); Alliance Distribution Services (Distributor of the Year); *the CSIRO total wellbeing diet*, published by Penguin Group (Australia) (Publishing Project 2005); Sue Donovan (the Lloyd O’Neil Award for Services to Publishing); Rosalind Price (the Pixie O’Harris Award for Children’s Publishing); and Helen Garner for *Joe Cinque’s Consolation* (the Booksellers’ Choice Award);
- (b) acknowledges the important contribution of the book industry in Australia; and
- (c) recognises that books are integral to literacy, knowledge-building and education, and should be affordable and accessible to all.

Question agreed to.