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Section 1: Business conducted in the Senate

1.1 General statistics

	Autumn	Budget/Winter	Total
Number of sittings days	15	12	27
Hours of sitting	151 hrs 26 mins	124 hrs 37 mins	276 hrs 03 mins
Average length of a sitting day	10 hrs 06 mins	10 hrs 23 mins	10 hrs 13 mins
Longest sitting day	12 hrs 37 mins (15 March)	17 hrs 23 mins (28 June)	N/A
Shortest sitting day	5 hrs 14 mins (16 March)	5 hrs (8 May)	N/A
Questions placed on notice	284 (1/1 – 22/3)	168 (23/3 – 30/6)	452
Questions without notice* Question time held on:	395 14 sitting days	249 9 sitting days	520 23 sitting days
Average daily number of questions without notice*	28.2	27.7	28.0
Petitions presented	7	16	23
Signatories to petitions	1 546	65 346	66 892
Delegated legislation—Notices of motion for disallowance:			
Given	1	0	1
Agreed to	0	0	0
Negatived	0	0	0
Withdrawn	1	1	2
Still before the Senate	1	0	N/A
Statements by the President	7	1	8
Ministerial statements	18	8	26
Matters of public importance	5	5	10
Urgency motions	0	0	0
Principal motions agreed to	34	23	57
Condolence motions	3	3	6
Censure motions	0	0	0
Orders made for the production of documents	0	2	2
Government responses to committee reports tabled	26	19	45
Divisions	88	74	162

* Includes supplementary questions.

1.2 Senate sittings, 1 January to 30 June 2012

A sitting period is defined as a period during which the Senate adjourns for not more than 20 days (standing order 111).

Number of sitting days:

Autumn sitting period—7 February to 22 March	15
Budget sitting period—8 to 10 May	3
Winter sitting period—18 to 28 June	9
Total	27

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30	31																			

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1.3 Business conducted in the Senate

This section contains graphs showing a breakdown of how the Senate spent its time in 2012, as well as comparisons with previous years. For this purpose, business has been broken down into the following categories:

Business of the Senate includes disallowance motions, motions to refer matters to standing committees and motions concerning the qualification of a senator. It has precedence over government business and general business for the day on which it is listed, except on Monday between 10 am and 2 pm, Tuesday, between 12.30 and 2 pm, Wednesday between 9.30 am and 12.45 pm, and for a period of 2 hours and 20 minutes on Thursday mornings.

Government business is business initiated by a minister and includes all debate on government bills. Government business takes precedence over general business except for a period of 2 hours and 20 minutes on Thursday mornings and 2½ hours on Thursday afternoons.

General business is initiated by senators who are not ministers. It includes motions to take note of answers, most notices of motion, consideration of committee reports and government responses and matters of public interest. General business takes precedence over government business on Thursdays as described above.

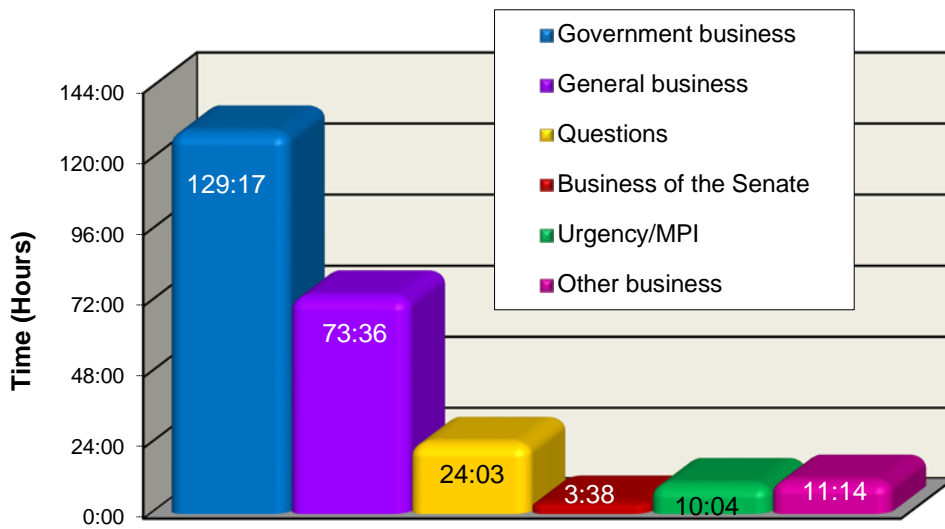
Questions include question time and additional answers given by ministers at the end of question time.

Urgency motions and matters of public importance (MPIs) may be proposed by senators on any sitting day pursuant to standing order 75. At the conclusion of the debate there is no vote taken on the substantive issue of the matter or motion. However, in the case of urgency motions, a procedural vote is taken as to whether the matter is considered urgent or not.

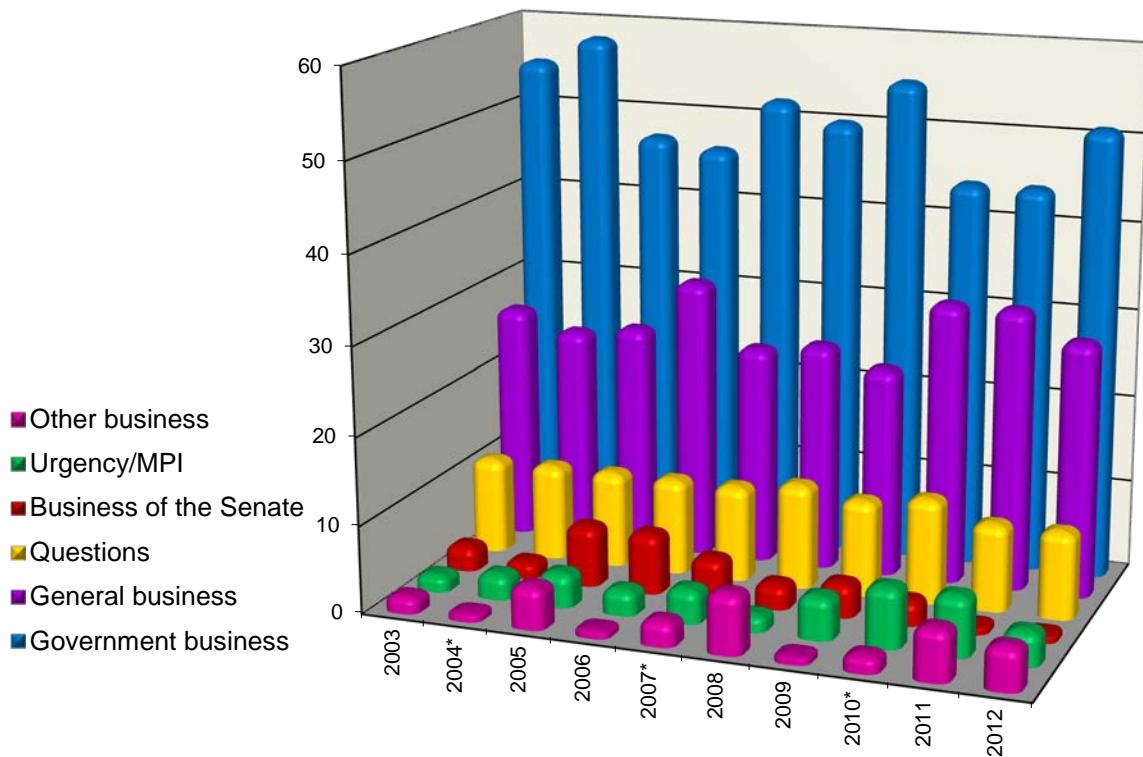
Other business includes prayers, petitions, postponements and ceremonial business.

Adjournment: Note that the time for the adjournment debate is not included in the figures shown.

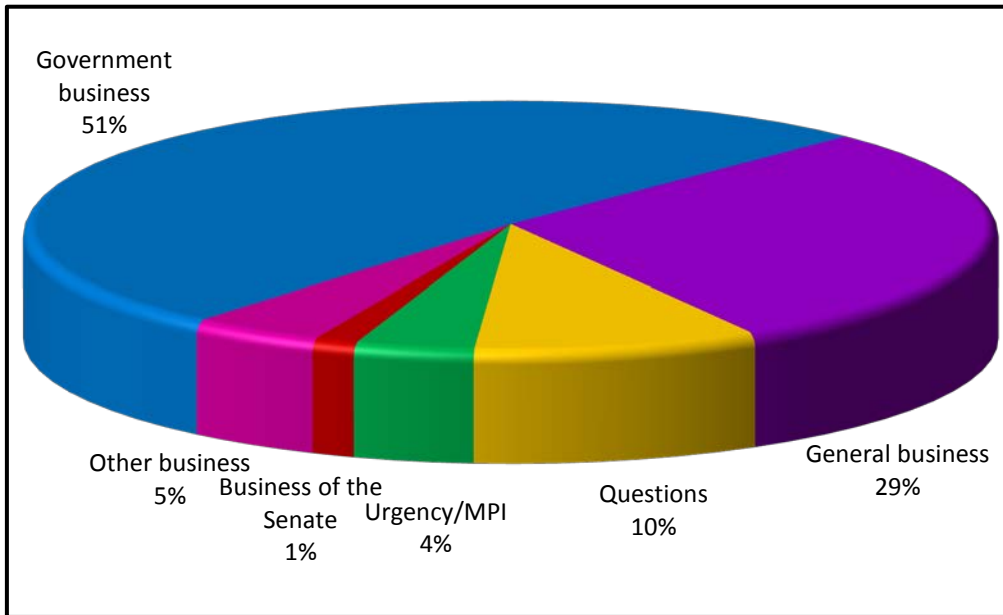
Total time, by type of business - 1 January to 30 June 2012



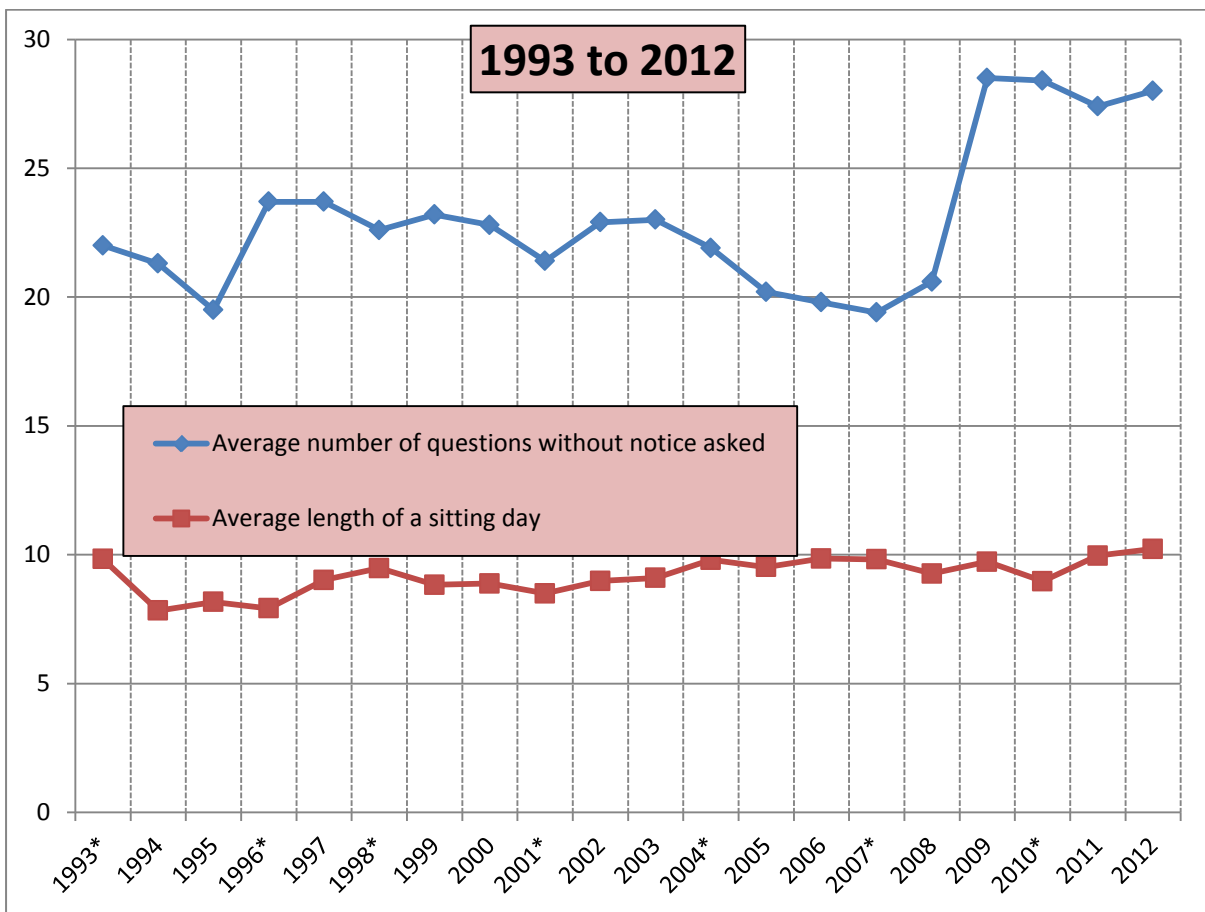
Proportion of time spent according to the type of business: 2003 to 2012



**Percentage of time, by type of business: 1 January to 30 June 2012
and breakdown of government business**



- government legislation – 48%
- other government business – 3%



(* indicates an election year)

(on 24 November 2008 the format of question time was changed to allow 2 supplementaries per question)

Section 2: Legislation

Legislation statistics

Bills considered by the Senate in the period 1 January to 30 June 2012

Origin

On Senate or House of Representatives <i>Notice Paper</i> as at 1 January 2012:	
Government bills (originating in Senate 2011)	4
Government bills (received from House of Representatives 2010, 2011)	8
Private senators' bills (originating in Senate 2010, 2011)	8
Total	19
Introduced in the Senate (1 January to 30 June 2012):	
Government bills.....	2
Private senators' bills	12
Total	14
Received from the House of Representatives (1 January to 30 June 2012):	
Government bills.....	125
Private member's bill	1
Total	126
	Total..... 160

Outcome

Bills passed by Senate 2012:	
Passed by both Houses:	
Government bills.....	112
Bills passed by Senate 2011, removed from House of Representatives' <i>Notice Paper</i> 2012* :	
Private senators' bill.....	1
Bills still before the Senate:	
Government bills.....	27
Private senators' bills	16
Total	42
Bills negatived at second reading in the Senate:	
Private senators' bills	2
Private member's bill	1
Total	3
Private senator's bill discharged from the Senate <i>Notice Paper</i>	1
	Total..... 160

* In accordance with House of Representatives standing order 42.

Bills on which there was disagreement between the Houses 0

Bills to which amendments and requests were moved during 2012

Bills to which second reading amendments were moved 10
 Bills to which second reading amendments were agreed 1
 Bills to which amendments were moved in committee of the whole 22
 Bills to which amendments were agreed in committee of the whole..... 14
 Bills to which requests were moved in committee of the whole 2
 Bills to which requests were agreed in committee of the whole..... 1
 Bills in which provisions were opposed and negatived in committee of the whole 1
 Bills in which provisions were opposed but agreed to in committee of the whole..... 9

Amendments, requests etc moved in committee of the whole:

Moved by	Agreed to	Negatived
Government	108	0
Opposition	10	85
Australian Greens	11	133
Democratic Labor Party	0	0
Independent (Senator Xenophon)	0	11
Total	129	229

Total amendments, requests etc moved 358

2.2 Bills still before the Senate

Number of bills still before the Senate at 30 June 2012:

Number of government bills:	33
Number of private senators' bills:	77
Total:	110

Government bills

Bill short title	Origin
Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011	House of Representatives
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012	House of Representatives
Australian Citizenship Amendment (Defence Families) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012	Senate
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011	House of Representatives
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2010	House of Representatives
Corporations Legislation Amendment (Financial Reporting Panel) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Criminal Code Amendment (Cluster Munitions Prohibition) Bill 2010	House of Representatives

Bill short title	Origin
Customs Amendment (Anti-dumping Improvements) Bill (No. 2) 2011	House of Representatives
Customs Amendment (Anti-dumping Improvements) Bill (No. 2) 2012	House of Representatives
Customs Amendment (Military End-Use) Bill 2011	House of Representatives
Customs Tariff Amendment (Schedule 4) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012	House of Representatives
Cybercrime Legislation Amendment Bill 2011	House of Representatives
Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011	House of Representatives
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Amendment Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Higher Education Support Amendment (Student Contribution Amounts and Other Measures) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Judges and Governors-General Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Legislative Instruments Amendment (Sunsetting Measures) Bill 2012	House of Representatives

Bill short title	Origin
Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) National Law Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) National Law (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Navigation Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Navigation (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Statute Stocktake (Appropriations) Bill (No. 1) 2012	House of Representatives
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012	House of Representatives
Tax Laws Amendment (Cross-Border Transfer Pricing) Bill (No. 1) 2012	House of Representatives
Tax Laws Amendment (Investment Manager Regime) Bill 2012	House of Representatives

Private senators' bills

Bill short title	Senator
Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Alcohol Toll Reduction Bill 2010	Fielding (FFP)
Anti-Terrorism Laws Reform Bill 2010	Ludlam (AG)
Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012	Brandis (LP)
Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (International Broadcasting Services) Bill 2011	Ludlam (AG)
Banking Amendment (Controls on Variable Interest Rate Changes) Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Banking Amendment (Delivering Essential Financial Services) Bill 2010 (No. 2)	Bob Brown (AG)
Bankruptcy Amendment (Exceptional Circumstances Exit Package) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Anti-Siphoning) Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Public Interest Test) Bill 2012	Ludlam (AG)
Building and Construction Industry (Restoring Workplace Rights) Bill 2010	Siewert (AG)
Carbon Tax Plebiscite Bill 2011 [No. 2]	Abetz (LP)
Choice of Repairer Bill 2010	Fielding (FFP)

Bill short title	Senator
Commonwealth Electoral (Above-the-Line Voting) Amendment Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Tobacco Industry Donations) Bill 2011	Bob Brown (AG)
Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management (Repeal and Consequential Amendment) Bill 2010	Ludlam (AG)
Constitutional Corporations (Farm Gate to Plate) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Fees) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011	Hanson-Young (AG)
Customs Amendment (Anti-Dumping) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2010 [No. 2]	Ludlam (AG)
Drink Container Recycling Bill 2010	Fielding (FFP)
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011	Colbeck (LP)
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011	Waters (AG)
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Monitoring of Whaling) Bill 2012	Bob Brown (AG)
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Prohibition of Support for Whaling) Bill 2010	Siewert (AG) & Bob Brown (AG)

Bill short title	Senator
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011	Waters (AG)
Environment Protection (Beverage Container Deposit and Recovery Scheme) Bill 2010	Ludlam (AG)
Evidence Amendment (Journalists' Privilege) Bill 2010 (No. 2)	Brandis (LP)
Fair Work Amendment (Paid Parental Leave) Bill 2010	Hanson-Young (AG)
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Restoration of Racial Discrimination Act) Bill 2010	Siewert (AG)
Food Safety (Trans Fats) Bill 2010	Siewert (AG)
Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Genetically Modified Material) Bill 2010	Xenophon (Ind) & Siewert (AG)
Foreign Acquisitions Amendment (Agricultural Land) Bill 2010	Xenophon (Ind) & Milne (AG)
Government Advertising (Accountability) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Government Investment Funds Amendment (Ethical Investments) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2]	Bushby (LP)
Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)

Bill short title	Senator
Keeping Jobs from Going Offshore (Protection of Personal Information) Bill 2009 [2010]	Fielding (FFP)
Landholders' Right to Refuse (Coal Seam Gas) Bill 2011	Waters (AG)
Live Animal Export Restriction and Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2]	Xenophon (Ind)
Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2012	Rhiannon (AG)
Low Aromatic Fuel Bill 2012	Siewert (AG)
Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010	Hanson-Young (AG)
Migration Amendment (Declared Countries) Bill (No. 2) 2011	Hanson-Young (AG)
Migration Amendment (Detention of Minors) Bill 2010	Hanson-Young (AG)
Migration Amendment (Detention Reform and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2010	Hanson-Young (AG)
Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012	Hanson-Young (AG)
National Integrity Commissioner Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2011	Siewert (AG)
Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill (No. 1) 2012	Siewert (AG)
Ombudsman Amendment (Education Ombudsman) Bill 2010	Hanson-Young (AG)

Bill short title	Senator
Patent Amendment (Human Genes and Biological Materials) Bill 2010	Coonan (LP), Heffernan (LP), Siewert (AG) & Xenophon (Ind)
Plain Tobacco Packaging (Removing Branding from Cigarette Packs) Bill 2009 [2010]	Fielding (FFP)
Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012	Di Natale (AG), Madigan (DLP) & Xenophon (Ind)
Poker Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008 [2010]	Fielding (FFP)
Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2010	Xenophon (Ind)
Preventing the Misuse of Government Advertising Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising (Broadcasting and Telecommunications Amendment) Bill 2011	Bob Brown (AG) & Di Natale (AG)
Public Accounts and Audit Committee Amendment (Ombudsman) Bill 2011	Bob Brown (AG)
Public Service Amendment (Payments in Special Circumstances) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)
Quarantine Amendment (Disallowing Permits) Bill 2011	Xenophon (Ind)

Bill short title	Senator
Renewable Energy Amendment (Feed-in-Tariff for Electricity) Bill 2010	Milne (AG)
Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Excessive Noise from Wind Farms) Bill 2012	Madigan (DLP) & Xenophon (Ind)
Responsible Takeaway Alcohol Hours Bill 2010	Fielding (FFP)
Restoring Territory Rights (Voluntary Euthanasia Legislation) Bill 2010	Bob Brown (AG)
Safe Climate (Energy Efficient Non-Residential Buildings Scheme) Bill 2010	Milne (AG)
Special Broadcasting Service Amendment (Natural Program Breaks and Disruptive Advertising) Bill 2012	Ludlam (AG)
Special Broadcasting Service Amendment (Prohibition of Disruptive Advertising) Bill 2010	Ludlam (AG)
Stolen Generations Reparations Tribunal Bill 2010	Siewert (AG)
Telecommunications Amendment (Mobile Phone Towers) Bill 2011	Bob Brown (AG)
Transport Safety Investigation Amendment (Incident Reports) Bill 2010	Xenophon (Ind)
Water (Crisis Powers and Floodwater Diversion) Bill 2010	Xenophon (Ind) & Hanson-Young (AG)
Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2011 (No. 2)	Scullion (CLP)

KEY

AG	Australian Greens	FFP	Family First Party
CLP	Country Liberal Party	Ind	Independent
DLP	Democratic Labor Party	LP	Liberal Party

2.3 Second reading—Amendments moved

The second reading debate is a policy debate relating to the principles of a particular bill. A senator may speak for up to 20 minutes and make a further contribution if a second reading amendment is moved. The second reading debate is opened by a senator sponsoring the bill who outlines the policies of the bill, and is usually closed by a minister who may respond to issues raised during the debate. The debate culminates in a vote signifying that the bill is agreed to, or rejected, in principle.

Second reading amendments do not affect the text of a bill. The amendment is moved to the motion for the second reading (“That this bill be now read a second time”), and is generally used to express an opinion about the bill or related policy issues; to propose the reference of the bill or related matters to a committee; or to delay further consideration of the bill. In some circumstances the effect of the amendment, if agreed to, is to defeat the bill.

For more information on the legislative process see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation*.

Number of bills, or packages of bills, to which second reading amendments were moved:	10
Number of second reading amendments moved:	12
Second reading amendments agreed to.....	1
Second reading amendments negatived.....	10
Second reading amendments pending.....	1

Bill short title	Moved by	Outcome
Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012	1 AG	Pending
Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2012; Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2012	1 Opp	Negatived
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012	1 Opp	Negatived
Family Law Amendment (Validation of Certain Orders and Other Measures) Bill 2012	1 Opp	Negatived
Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2012	1 AG	Negatived
Migration Legislation Amendment (The Bali Process) Bill 2012	1 AG	Negatived
Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011	1 AG 1 Opp 1 Xenophon	Negatived Negatived Agreed to

Bill short title	Moved by	Outcome
Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012; Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012; Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012; Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012; Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012	1 Opp	Negatived
Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2012	1 AG	Negatived
Tax Laws Amendment (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Bill 2012; Income Tax (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Amendment Bill 2012	1 Opp	Negatived

2.4 Committee of the whole—Consideration

The committee of the whole process provides an opportunity for senators to consider bills in detail. Amendments moved in committee of the whole seek to change, delete or add words in the bill that may affect the final content of the law. Under section 53 of the Constitution the Senate cannot amend a bill imposing taxation, or a bill appropriating money for the ordinary annual services of government (an appropriation bill). It also may not amend a bill in a way which will increase any proposed charge or burden. If the Senate wishes to make such amendments, it must *request* the House of Representatives to amend the bill on its behalf.

Note that for several bills, amendments were determined after the expiration of the allotment of time for consideration of the bill. Although these amendments were not technically considered and determined in committee of the whole, these amendments are included in the figures for this section.

For more information on the legislative process see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation*.

Number of bills:

to which amendments were moved in committee of the whole	22
to which requests were moved in committee of the whole	2
in which items (etc.) were opposed in committee of the whole.....	10

Number of amendments moved:	316	Number of requests moved:	10
Number of amendments agreed to:	126	Number of requests agreed to:	2
Number of amendments negatived:	190	Number of requests negatived:	8
Number of amendments withdrawn:	0		
Number of amendments pending:	0		
Amendments moved to amendments:	0		
Number of items (etc.) opposed and negatived:	1	Number of items (etc.) opposed but agreed to:	31

Bill short title	Outcome
Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2012-2013	Opposed/agreed to (1 Part Opp)
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Regional Commercial Radio) Bill 2011 [2012]	3 amendments agreed to (Govt)

Bill short title	Outcome
Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2012	2 amendments negated (Opp)
Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012	7 amendments negated (Opp)
Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2012	10 amendments agreed to (Govt) 24 amendments negated (Opp) Opposed/agreed to (1 section Opp)
Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2012	8 amendments agreed to (Govt) 13 amendments negated (Opp) Opposed/agreed to (1 Subdivision; 5 sections Opp)
Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011	9 amendments agreed to (5 Govt; 4 AG) 24 amendments negated (19 AG; 5 Xenophon)
Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011	8 requests negated (AG)
Extradition and Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation Amendment Bill 2011	22 amendments negated (AG)
Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives Bill 2012	2 amendments negated (Xenophon)
Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011 [2012]	12 amendments agreed to (Govt) 2 amendments negated (Opp)
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012	10 amendments negated (Opp) Opposed/agreed to (1 section; 1 item Opp)
Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012	Opposed/agreed to (2 items Opp)
Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2012	4 amendments negated (3 AG; 1 Opp)
Higher Education Support Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012	Opposed/agreed to (2 items Opp)

Bill short title	Outcome
Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012	2 amendments negated (Xenophon)
Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011	2 amendments negated (AG)
National Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2010	7 amendments agreed to (2 Opp; 5 AG) 7 amendments negated (5 Opp; 2 Xenophon) Opposed/agreed to (1 Schedule; 6 items Opp)
National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010	6 amendments agreed to (3 Govt; 2 AG; 1 Opp) 24 amendments negated (AG) Opposed/agreed to (7 subclauses AG)
Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011	32 amendments agreed to (Govt)
Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011	16 amendments agreed to (Govt) Opposed/negated (1 item Govt)
Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011	2 amendments agreed to (Govt) 19 amendments negated (AG) Opposed/agreed to (2 Schedules; 1 Part AG)
Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2012	12 amendments agreed to (5 Govt; 7 Opp) 20 amendments negated (AG)
Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011	2 amendments agreed to (Govt) 6 amendments negated (AG)
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011	1 amendment agreed to (Govt)
Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011	2 requests agreed to (Govt) 6 amendments agreed to (Govt)

2.5 Bills negatived or discharged from *Notice Paper*

The Senate often indicates its disagreement with a bill by rejecting the motion for the second or third reading, and that action is taken to be a rejection of the bill.

A senator may also move that an order of the day (a matter which the Senate has ordered to be considered on a particular day) relating to a bill be discharged from the *Notice Paper*, pursuant to standing order 97(4).

When the two Houses do not initially agree on the contents of a bill, it is usual for negotiations to continue. Amendments to amendments may be made or alternative amendments proposed until an acceptable compromise is reached. Occasionally, the impasse cannot be broken and a bill is laid aside and not proceeded with.

For more information on the legislative process, see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation*.

Number of bills:

Negatived at second reading:	3
Discharged from <i>Notice Paper</i> :	1
Removed from House of Representatives <i>Notice Paper</i> *:	1

Bill short title	Origin
Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010 (Negatived at second reading 1 March 2012)	Senate (Senator Hanson-Young (AG))
Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Palm Oil Bill 2011 (Removed from House of Representatives <i>Notice Paper</i> 20 March 2012)	Senate (Senator Xenophon (Ind) & Senator Bob Brown (AG))
Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2] (Discharged from <i>Notice Paper</i> 10 May 2012)	Senate (Senator Siewert (AG))
Migration Legislation Amendment (The Bali Process) Bill 2012 (Negatived at second reading 28 June 2012)	House of Representatives (Mr Oakeshott (Ind))
Solar Hot Water Rebate Bill 2012 (Negatived at second reading 22 March 2012)	Senate (Senator Birmingham (LP))

* In accordance with House of Representatives standing order 42.

2.6 Bills, or provisions of bills, referred to committees

Bills may be referred to committees at any stage for inquiry and report. The *provisions* of many bills are referred before the bill is received from the House of Representatives to maximise the time available for the committee inquiry.

Committees may table reports on any sitting day, or may present them when the Senate is not sitting, in which case the report is tabled on the next available sitting day.

For more information refer to *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation* and *No. 7 – Referring Matters to Committees* and *Senate Brief No. 4 – Senate Committees*.

Number of bills referred to committees:

Referred in 2012.....	55
Referred in 2011 report tabled (or due to be tabled) 2012.....	37

Bill short title	Committee		
<i>Where the bill is a private senator's bill or a private member's bill the name of the senator or member who introduced it is shown</i>			
Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011	LCA	Referred	25/11/11
		Presented	29/03/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012	RRAT	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011 (<i>Senator Xenophon</i>)	RRAT	Referred	18/08/11
		Tabled	22/03/12
Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012 (<i>Senator Brandis</i>)	LCA	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	23/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
		Additional information tabled	20/06/12
Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012	RRAT	Referred	01/03/12
		Interim report presented	18/05/12
		Report presented	30/05/12
		Reports tabled	18/06/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012	EC	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	04/05/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012	EC	Referred	19/06/12
		Tabled	25/06/12
Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2011	EEWR	Referred	10/11/11
		Tabled	29/02/12
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011	LCA	Referred	03/11/11
		Tabled	09/02/12
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (R 18+ Computer Games) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	01/03/12
		Tabled	22/03/12
Clean Energy (Customs Tariff Amendment) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	23/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Clean Energy (Excise Tariff Legislation Amendment) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	23/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	19/06/12
		Tabled	25/06/12
Clean Energy Legislation Amendment Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	23/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	15/06/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
	EEWR	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	24/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	15/06/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
	EEWR	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	24/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred	22/09/11
		Presented	07/12/11
		Tabled	07/02/12
Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred	25/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred	03/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
Corporations Amendment (Phoenixing and Other Measures) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	09/05/12
Courts Legislation Amendment (Judicial Complaints) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	22/03/12
		Report due	13/07/12
Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011 (<i>Senator Hanson-Young</i>)	LCA	Referred	25/11/11
		Presented	04/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	19/06/12
		Report due	13/09/12
Customs Amendment (Smuggled Tobacco) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	29/06/12 am
		Report due	14/08/12
Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011	FADT	Referred	10/11/11
		Report due	15/08/12
Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011	EEWR	Referred	13/10/11
		Tabled	27/02/12
Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011	EEWR	Referred	13/10/11
		Tabled	27/02/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011	EEWR	Referred Tabled	13/10/11 27/02/12
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011 (<i>Senator Waters</i>)	EC	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 01/03/12
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development) Bill 2012	EC	Referred Tabled	22/03/12 20/06/12
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011 (<i>Senator Waters</i>)	RRAT	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 27/02/12
Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Amendment Bill 2012	EEWR	Referred Tabled	01/03/12 10/05/12
Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011 [2012]	EEWR	Referred Tabled	25/11/11 27/02/12
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012	EEWR	Referred Tabled	19/06/12 25/06/12
Government Investment Funds Amendment (Ethical Investments) Bill 2011 (<i>Senators Di Natale and Ludlam</i>)	FPA	Referred Report due	21/06/12 22/08/12
Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Bill 2012	EC	Referred Report due	21/06/12 15/08/12
Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards (Registration Fees) Bill 2012	EC	Referred Report due	21/06/12 15/08/12
Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2] (<i>Senator Bushby</i>)	FPA	Referred Tabled	22/03/12 10/05/12
Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011	RRAT	Referred Tabled	25/11/11 27/02/12
Income Tax (Seasonal Labour Mobility Program Withholding Tax) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred Introduced into the House Tabled	09/05/12 ¹ 24/05/12 18/06/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011 (<i>Senator Xenophon</i>)	GR	Referred	20/06/11 ²
		Presented	08/12/11
		Tabled	07/02/12
Judges and Governors-General Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Judicial Misbehaviour and Incapacity (Parliamentary Commissions) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	22/03/12
		Report due	13/07/12
Low Aromatic Fuel Bill 2012 (<i>Senator Siewert</i>)	CA	Referred	10/05/12
		Report due	21/09/12
Maritime Powers Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	21/06/12
		Report due	20/08/12
Maritime Powers (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	21/06/12
		Report due	20/08/12
Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010 (<i>Senator Hanson-Young</i>)	LCA	Referred	08/02/12
		Interim report presented	31/05/12
		Interim report tabled	18/06/12
		Report tabled	25/06/12
Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012	FPA	Referred	09/02/12
		Tabled	27/02/12
Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012 (<i>Senator Hanson-Young</i>)	LCA	Referred	09/02/12
		Presented	04/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	19/06/12
Military Court of Australia Bill 2012	FADT	Referred	29/06/12 am
		Report due	14/08/12
	LCA	Referred	29/06/12 am
		Report due	14/08/12
Military Court of Australia (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012	FADT	Referred	29/06/12 am
		Report due	14/08/12
	LCA	Referred	29/06/12 am
		Report due	14/08/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Customs) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Excise) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—General) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
National Health Reform Amendment (Administrator and National Health Funding Body) Bill 2012	FPA	Referred Tabled	22/03/12 10/05/12
National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Charges) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred Tabled	22/03/12 10/05/12
National Water Commission Amendment Bill 2012	EC	Referred Presented Tabled	22/03/12 01/05/12 10/05/12
Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2012	LCA	Referred Introduced into the House Tabled Additional information tabled	09/05/12 ¹ 23/05/12 19/06/12 20/06/12
Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011	CA	Referred Tabled	25/11/11 19/03/12
Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011	CA	Referred Tabled	25/11/11 19/03/12
Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Customs) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12
Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Excise) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred Tabled	10/11/11 14/03/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—General) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred	10/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Bill 2012	LCA	Referred	19/06/12
		Report due	14/08/12
Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011 (<i>Senators Xenophon and Bob Brown</i>)	RRAT	Referred	15/09/11
		Tabled	22/03/12
Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	15/06/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
	EEWR	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	24/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	15/06/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
	EEWR	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	24/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Skills Australia Amendment (Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency) Bill 2012	EEWR	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Social Security Amendment (Supporting Australian Victims of Terrorism Overseas) Bill 2011	LCA	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012	CA	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	24/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support and Other Measures) Bill 2012	CA	Referred	09/02/12
		Tabled	19/03/12
Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011	CA	Referred	25/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
		Additional information tabled	
			22/03/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Bill 2012	EEWR	Referred	19/06/12
		Report due	22/08/12
Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011	CA	Referred	25/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
		Additional information tabled	22/03/12
Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011	CA	Referred	25/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
		Additional information tabled	22/03/12
Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment Bill 2011	Eco	Referred	10/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012	CFS	Referred	29/02/12
		Tabled	19/03/12
Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 3) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	24/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Tax Laws Amendment (Cross-Border Transfer Pricing) Bill (No. 1) 2012	Eco	Referred	19/06/12
		Report due	14/08/12
Tax Laws Amendment (Income Tax Rates) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	09/05/12 ¹
		Introduced into the House	24/05/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012	Eco	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	15/06/12
		Tabled	18/06/12
	EEWR	Referred	22/03/12
		Presented	24/04/12
		Tabled	10/05/12
Tax Laws Amendment (Stronger, Fairer, Simpler and Other Measures) Bill 2011	Eco	Referred	10/11/11
		Tabled	14/03/12
Telecommunications Amendment (Mobile Phone Towers) Bill 2011 (<i>Senator Bob Brown</i>)	EC	Referred	09/02/12
		Tabled	10/05/12

Bill short title	Committee		
Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011	EC	Referred	03/11/11
		Presented	24/02/12
		Tabled	27/02/12
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011	EC	Referred	03/11/11
		Presented	24/02/12
		Tabled	27/02/12
Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011	EC	Referred	03/11/11
		Presented	24/02/12
		Tabled	27/02/12
Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012	RRAT	Referred	22/03/12
		Tabled	25/06/12

- 1 On 9 May 2012 the Senate agreed that all bills introduced into the House of Representatives after 10 May and before 31 May 2012 that contain provisions commencing on or before 1 July 2012 be referred to committees for inquiry and report by 18 June 2012.
- 2 The bill was referred to the Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform upon introduction pursuant to the resolution of appointment of the committee.

Abbreviations

CA	Community Affairs Legislation Committee
CFS	Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services
Eco	Economics Legislation Committee
EC	Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
EEWR	Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
FPA	Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
GR	Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Section 3: Other business

3.1 Notices of motion for disallowance

Many Acts of Parliament delegate to the executive government the power to make detailed rules and regulations (*legislative instruments*). Instruments made in this way are subject to the power of either House to veto or *disallow* them.

In most cases, within 15 sitting days after tabling a senator may give notice of a motion to disallow the legislative instrument. If the motion is agreed to, the instrument is disallowed and ceases to have effect. If a notice of motion to disallow a legislative instrument has not been resolved or withdrawn within 15 sitting days after having been given, the instrument is *deemed* to have been disallowed and automatically ceases to have effect.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 1 – Disallowance*.

Disallowance motions moved:

Moved and agreed to	0
Moved and negatived	0

Notices of motion for disallowance:

Given and subsequently withdrawn	2
Still before the Senate	0

Notices of motion for disallowance given and subsequently withdrawn:

Fishing Levy Act 1991 and the *Fisheries Management Act 1991*—Fishing Levy Regulations 2011, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2011 No. 241

Notice given 29 February 2012 (Senator Colbeck)

Withdrawn 19 June 2012

Health Insurance Act 1973—Health Insurance (Allied Health Services) Amendment Determination 2011 (No. 2), made under subsection 3C(1)

Notice given 23 November 2011 (Senator Wright)

Withdrawn 8 February 2012

3.2 Statements by the President

During the course of a sitting day, the President may inform the chamber of a decision or address concerns raised in previous debates.

The Chair of Committees may make a statement during the committee of the whole debate on a bill relating to orders of the Senate concerning the passage of legislation. These statements are usually to advise of the outcome of certain divisions where the votes are equally divided.

Number of statements made by the President of the Senate: 8

Statement	Date	Journals page
Freedom of speech	29/02/12	2162
Legislation—Amendments and requests for amendments	19/03/12	2294
Meeting of Senate	27/02/12	2104
Proposed Matter of Privilege	07/02/12	2008
Rules of debate—Unparliamentary language	09/02/12	2099
Senate—Departmental items	26/06/12	2635
Senate—Former Clerk of the Senate—Regalia	07/02/12	1982
Senate—Usher of the Black Rod—Regalia	28/02/12	2133

3.3 Ministerial statements

A ministerial statement is used to inform the Senate of policy or other issues or decisions relating to the minister's portfolio, or to portfolios the minister represents in the Senate.

Number of ministerial statements:

Tabled or made in 2012.....	25
Presented in 2011, tabled in 2012	1

Statement	Date
Communications—Australia Network (for the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy)	Presented 23/11/11 Tabled 07/02/12
Defence—Afghanistan Senator Feeney (for the Minister for Defence)	07/02/12
Defence—Afghanistan Senator Collins (for the Minister for Defence)	27/02/12
Defence—Afghanistan Senator Farrell (for the Minister for Defence)	18/06/12
Defence—Afghanistan Senator Farrell (for the Minister for Defence)	18/06/12
Defence—Defence Security Authority vetting Senator Wong (for the Minister for Defence)	09/02/12
Defence—Government response to the review of military compensation arrangements Senator Farrell (for the Minister for Defence)	18/06/12

Statement	Date
<p>Defence—HMAS <i>Success</i> commission of inquiry – Allegations of unacceptable behaviour and the management thereof – Part three: Further recommendations Senator Collins (for the Minister for Defence)</p>	27/02/12
<p>Economics—The global economy Senator Collins (for the Treasurer)</p>	27/02/12
<p>Economics—The global economy Senator Collins (for the Treasurer)</p>	19/06/12
<p>Employment—Workplace deaths Senator Collins (for the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations)</p>	19/03/12
<p>Environment—Murray-Darling Basin reform Senator Feeney (for the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities)</p>	07/02/12
<p>Foreign Affairs—Recent events in Papua New Guinea Senator Evans (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	08/02/12
<p>Foreign Affairs—The implementation of an effective aid program for Australia Senator Feeney (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	07/02/12
<p>Foreign Affairs—The situation in Syria Senator Evans (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	08/02/12
<p>Foreign Affairs—The situation in Syria and Iran Senator Collins (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	27/02/12

Statement	Date
<p>Indigenous Australians—20th anniversary of the Mabo native title decision Senator Farrell (for the Attorney-General)</p>	18/06/12
<p>Indigenous Australians—Closing the gap Senator Collins (for the Prime Minister)</p>	27/02/12
<p>Law and Justice—The Government’s response to people trafficking Senator Feeney (for the Minister for Home Affairs and Justice)</p>	07/02/12
<p>Queensland floods Senator Feeney (for the Minister Assisting the Attorney-General on Queensland Floods Recovery)</p>	07/02/12
<p>Queensland floods—Update on current emergency events Senator Feeney (for the Minister Assisting on Queensland Floods Recovery)</p>	07/02/12
<p>Social Issues—Homelessness Senator Wong (for the Minister for Housing and Minister for Homelessness)</p>	21/06/12
<p>Trade—Livestock trade to the Middle East Senator Wong (for the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)</p>	09/02/12
<p>Transport—National Road Safety Strategy: Report on progress Senator Ludwig (for the Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure and Transport)</p>	29/06/12 am
<p>Transport—The retirement of the Inspector of Transport Security and the tabling of the Offshore Oil and Gas Resources Sector Security Inquiry report Senator Collins (for the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport)</p>	26/06/12

Statement	Date
Women—International Women’s Day 2012—Supporting women’s economic empowerment Senator Collins (for the Minister for the Status of Women)	19/03/12

3.4 Matters of public importance

A matter of public importance (or urgency motion) may be proposed by a senator for consideration on any sitting day and must have the support of four other senators before the matter can be considered. Notice is not required so that newly emerging matters can be considered by the Senate. There is no question before the chair during debate on matters of public importance so no vote is taken at the end of the discussion.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 10 – Matters of Public Importance and Urgency Debates*.

Number of matters of public importance discussed: 10

Matter	Date	Journals page
Administration—Gillard Government Senator Fifield	07/02/12	1997
Administration—Gillard Government Senator Fifield	28/02/12	2142
Administration—Gillard Government Senator Fifield	13/03/12	2216
Administration—Gillard Government Senator Fifield	27/06/12	2665
Administration—Labor Government Senator Fifield	27/02/12	2111
Budget 2012-13 Senator Fifield	09/05/12	2416
Environment—Marine Parks—Boundaries Senator Fifield	20/06/12	2571
Immigration—Border security Senator Fifield	25/06/12	2624

Matter	Date	Journals page
Industrial Relations—Fair Work Australia—Health Services Union Senator Fifield	08/02/12	2061
Taxation—Carbon tax Senator Fifield	18/06/12	2488

3.5 Motions agreed to

All decisions of the Senate begin as motions moved by senators. The first step is usually for a senator to give notice of his or her intention to move a motion. A notice of motion therefore signals a potential decision of the Senate. Notices of motion may seek the Senate's endorsement on an issue of domestic or foreign policy or recognition of a particular achievement or event. Others relate to the machinery of Senate business and include notices for the introduction of bills or extensions of time for committees to report, among other things.

Most notices of motion fall into one of three main categories. Business of the Senate, Government Business or General Business. Many notices of motion are dealt with by the Senate during discovery of formal business. Other notices are dealt with when the time for considering Business of the Senate or Government Business is reached in the program.

This table shows only substantive resolutions relating to public affairs agreed to by the Senate. Routine and procedural motions are not listed.

Number of principal motions agreed to: 57

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Administration—Constituents' Request Program (Senators Ronaldson and Macdonald)	21/03/12	22/03/12	2362
Communications—Australian Broadcasting Corporation—News online (Senators Ludlam and Singh)	25/06/12	29/06/12 am*	2699
Death of Mr Arthur Beetson (Senators Rhiannon, Arbib and Joyce)	8/02/12	09/02/12	2071
Defence—Nuclear submarines (Senator Bob Brown)	13/03/12	15/03/12§	2262
Diamond Jubilee Anniversary—			
Address to Her Majesty The Queen (Senator Evans)		07/02/12#	1986
Queen Elizabeth II (Senator Smith)	19/06/12	20/06/12	2569
Education—Non-government schools funding (Senator Humphries)	13/03/12	14/03/12*	2244
Environment—			
Murray Darling Basin communities (Senator McKenzie)	28/02/12	29/02/12*	2161

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Murray Darling—Inflows (Senators Joyce and Birmingham)	21/03/12	09/05/12*	2411
Renewable Energy Bonus Scheme (Senator Milne)	29/02/12	01/03/12	2183
River Murray—Levee banks (Senators Xenophon, Birmingham and Hanson-Young)	14/03/12	15/03/12	2258
Tasmania—Logging (Senator Colbeck)	09/05/12	10/05/12	2432
Western Australia—Hamelin Pool (Senator Siewert)	09/05/12	10/05/12*	2431
Family and Community Services—			
Child care funding—Proposed Productivity Commission inquiry (Senator Hanson-Young)	08/05/12	09/05/12*	2409
Domestic and family violence (Senator Rhiannon)	25/06/12	27/06/12	2664
National Disability Insurance Scheme (Senators Boyce and Fifield)	26/06/12	27/06/12	2662
World Down Syndrome Day (Senators Boyce, Carol Brown, Siewert and Fifield)	20/03/12	21/03/12	2338
Foreign Affairs—			
Bahrain—Mr Nabeel Rajab (Senator Ludlam)	09/05/12	10/05/12	2427
Czech Republic—Vaclav Havel (Senator Mason)	07/02/12	08/02/12	2058
Egypt—Australian journalist Mr Austin Mackell (Senator Rhiannon)	16/03/12	19/03/12*	2281
International arms trade (Senators Hanson-Young and Moore)	20/06/12	21/06/12	2595
Iran—Human rights (Senators Bernardi, Stephens and Fawcett)	29/02/12	01/03/12	2180
Korean prisoners of war (Senator Bob Brown)	07/02/12	08/02/12	2056
Libya—Australian War Graves (Senators Ronaldson and Williams)	13/03/12	14/03/12	2246
Malaysia—Elections (Senator Xenophon)	09/05/12	10/05/12	2427

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Papua New Guinea—Women in Parliament (Senator Bob Brown)	24/11/11	07/02/12	1996
Republic of South Sudan—First anniversary (Senator Abetz)	27/06/12	29/06/12 am	2701
Russia—Human rights (Senators Pratt and Hanson-Young)	08/02/12	09/02/12	2073
Socialist Republic of Vietnam—Human rights dialogue (Senators Boswell and Furner)	20/06/12	21/06/12	2592
Sri Lanka (Senators Rhiannon, Humphries and Bob Carr)	20/03/12	21/03/12	2338
Syria (Senator Bob Brown)	08/02/12	09/02/12	2073
Syria (Senator Bob Brown)	13/03/12	14/03/12	2243
Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (Senator Singh)	21/03/12	22/03/12	2355
Health—			
Chronic Disease Dental Scheme (Senator Di Natale)	20/03/12	21/03/12	2339
Effects of wind farms (Senators Madigan and Xenophon)	07/02/12	08/02/12*	2054
Meniere's Australia (Senators Edwards and Di Natale)	22/06/12	25/06/12	2622
Midwives—Funding (Senators Di Natale, Rhiannon and Pratt)	23/03/12	10/05/12*	2430
Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month (Senators Bernardi, Birmingham, Edwards, Fawcett, Fisher and Cash)	07/02/12	08/02/12	2059
Schizophrenia Awareness Week (Senators Wright and Di Natale)	09/05/12	10/05/12*	2431
World Tuberculosis Day (Senators Pratt and Rhiannon)	19/03/12	22/03/12	2354

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Historical events—			
Australian Capital Territory—Centenary (Senator Bob Brown)	08/05/12	09/05/12	2408
Fall of Singapore—Bombing of Darwin (Senators Ronaldson, Scullion and Bernardi)	07/02/12	08/02/12*	2054
Indigenous Australians—			
Closing the gap (Senator Siewert)	21/03/12	22/03/12	2356
Stolen Generations (Senators Moore, Siewert and Humphries)	09/02/12	27/02/12	2110
Law and Justice—			
Commonwealth anti-discrimination laws (Senator Wright)	27/06/12	29/06/12 am	2701
Community legal services (Senator Wright)	20/06/12	21/06/12	2593
Mr Julian Assange—Consular services (Senator Ludlam)	20/06/12	21/06/12	2595
Regional Australia—			
Australian agricultural industry (Senators Back, Nash and McKenzie)	13/03/12	14/03/12	2244
Australian Year of the Farmer 2012 (Senators Siewert, Colbeck and Sterle)	08/02/12	09/02/12*	2075
Senate—Procedures for dealing with matters of privilege (Senator Abetz)	20/03/12	22/03/12*	2359
Social Issues—			
Australian flags—Destruction or desecration (Senator Williams)	09/02/12	27/02/12	2110
World Plumbing Day (Senator Boyce)	29/02/12	01/03/12	2180
World Water Day (Senators Rhiannon, Bob Carr and Boyce)	21/03/12	22/03/12*	2369
Women—			
110th anniversary—Women's suffrage in Australia (Senators Rhiannon and Moore)	20/06/12	25/06/12	2622

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Domestic violence—Bsafe program (Senator Rhiannon)	25/11/11	10/05/12	2429
International Women's Day 2012 (Senators Cash, Kroger and Boyce)	28/02/12	29/02/12	2159
World Refugee Day 2012 (Senators Hanson-Young and Lundy)	19/06/12	20/06/12	2569

* Moved or agreed to in an amended form

Motion moved by leave

§ Negatived, then agreed to after being put again, by leave

3.6 Condolence motions

Condolence motions are moved as a mark of respect on the death of current or former senators and members, and soldiers who lose their lives in the service of Australia. They are also moved on the occasion of significant events involving the loss of Australian lives, such as the natural disasters that occurred in early 2011.

Number of condolence motions passed: 6

7 February 2012	The Right Honourable Sir Zelman Cowen, AK, GCMG, GCVO, QC Former Governor-General Moved by Senator Evans
15 March 2012	The Honourable Douglas Barr Scott Former Senator, Deputy President of the Senate and Minister Moved by Senator Collins
19 March 2012	Margaret Elaine Whitlam, AO Wife of former Prime Minister Moved by Senator Faulkner
8 May 2012	Senator Judith Anne Adams Moved by Senator Abetz The Senate adjourned as a mark of respect
8 May 2012	The Honourable Lionel Frost Bowen, AC Former Member, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister Moved by Senator Faulkner
18 June 2012	The Honourable Francis John Walker, QC Former Member and Minister Moved by Senator Evans

3.7 Orders for the production of documents

The power to require the production of information is one of the most significant powers available to a legislature to enable it to carry out its functions of scrutinising legislation and the performance of the executive arm of government.

Orders for the production of documents most frequently require the tabling of documents in the possession of ministers, government departments and agencies, although occasionally an order may require the creation of a document. The order will generally describe the documents sought and specify a date for their tabling.

For more information, see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 11 – Orders for Production of Documents*.

Number of orders for the production of documents agreed to: 2

Orders for the production of documents:

Finance—Financial Ombudsman Service—Terms of reference

All documents, including all correspondence and emails between the Australian Securities and Investments Commission and the Financial Ombudsman Service, in relation to changes in the terms of reference of the Financial Ombudsman Service—to be tabled by the Minister representing the Assistant Treasurer (Senator Wong).

Order made: 25 June 2012 (Senators Cormann and Johnston)

For tabling: 28 June 2012

Order remains current and on the *Notice Paper*

Law and Justice—Murray Darling Basin Draft Plan—Legal advice

Draft or final legal advice regarding various aspects of the Murray Darling Basin Draft Plan—to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (Senator Conroy).

Order made: 19 June 2012 (Senator Hanson-Young)

For tabling: 28 June 2012

Order remains current and on the *Notice Paper*

Documents tabled pursuant to existing orders:

Environment—Tasmanian Forests Intergovernmental Agreement—Harvesting requirements

All advice provided by the independent expert schedulers regarding the harvesting requirements within the 430 000 hectare area nominated for conservation under the Tasmanian Forests Intergovernmental Agreement—to be tabled by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Ludwig).

Order made: 3 November 2011 (Senator Colbeck)

For tabling: 10 November 2011

Documents tabled: 10 November 2011; and presented out of sitting 6 February 2012, tabled 7 February 2012

Finance—Australian and New Zealand Government Sustainable Procurement Framework

All documents relating to the implementation of the Australian and New Zealand Government Sustainable Procurement Framework from January 2007 until present—to be tabled by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation (Senator Wong).

Order made: 2 November 2011 (Senator Rhiannon)

For tabling: 21 November 2011

Documents tabled: 8 February 2012

Health—Medicare Chronic Disease Dental Scheme—Audits—Report

Report from Medicare Australia relating to the audit of dentists participating under the Medicare Chronic Disease Dental Scheme—to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing and the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services.

Order made: 24 November 2011 (Senators Fierravanti-Wells and Di Natale)

For tabling: 7 February 2012

Document tabled: 7 February 2012

Taxation—Minerals Resource Rent Tax

Estimates of budget expenditure and/or foregone revenue, and the methodology for reaching these estimates, for measures linked to the Minerals Resource Rent Tax.

Order made: 1 November 2011 (Senator Cormann)

For tabling: 8 November 2011

Document tabled: 9 February 2012

Order remains current and on the *Notice Paper*

Workplace Relations—Fair Work Amendment (State Referrals and Other Measures) Bill 2009—Bilateral Intergovernmental Agreements

Copies of bilateral intergovernmental agreements relating to the Fair Work Amendment (State Referrals and Other Measures) Bill 2009.

Order made: 18 November 2009 (Senator Fisher)

For tabling: 19 November 2009—part (1) (parts (2) and (3) ongoing)

Document tabled: Response to part (3)—Queensland—Presented out of sitting 30 November 2011; tabled 7 February 2012

Order remains current and on the *Notice Paper*

Documents tabled pursuant to orders with continuing effect:

Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies

A list of all appointments made by the Government and existing vacancies to statutory authorities, executive agencies, advisory boards, government business enterprises and all other Commonwealth bodies.

Order made: 24 June 2008 (Senator Minchin) (varied 12 May 2009)

For tabling: By not later than 7 days before the commencement of the budget estimates, supplementary budget estimates and additional estimates hearings

Documents tabled: 7, 8, 9 and 27 February, 10 May and 18 June 2012

Order remains current

Departmental and agency contracts

List of departmental and agency contracts.

Order made: 20 June 2001 (varied 27 September 2001, 18 and 26 June and 4 December 2003)

For tabling: not later than 30 September each year

Documents tabled: 27, 28 and 29 February and 1, 13 and 19 March and 10 May 2012

Order remains current

Departmental and agency grants

A list of all grants approved in each portfolio or agency, including the value of the grant, recipient of the grant and the program from which the grant was made.

Order made: 24 June 2008 (Senator Minchin)

For tabling: By not later than 7 days before the commencement of the budget estimates, supplementary budget estimates and additional estimates hearings

Documents tabled: 7, 8, 9 and 27 February, 10 May and 18 and 20 June 2012

Order remains current

Health Insurance—Anti-competitive practices

Assessment reports by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission on anti-competitive health cover practices.

Order made: 25 March 1999 (varied 18 September 2002)

For tabling: at the end of each period of 12 months ending on or after June 2003

Document tabled: 18 June 2012

Order remains current

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files

Indexed lists of files of government departments and agencies.

Order made: 30 May 1996 (varied 3 December 1998)

For tabling: by the tenth day of the autumn and spring sittings each year or statements of compliance that such indexed lists of files have been placed on the Internet.

Documents tabled: 27, 28 and 29 February and 1, 13, 14, 19 and 22 March, 10 May and 18 June 2012

Order remains current

3.8 Government responses to committee reports

Governments give careful consideration to Senate committee reports and may act on their recommendations. Successive governments have undertaken to inform the Senate of their responses to committee reports within a particular period.

The President reports to the Senate twice a year on those responses which are outstanding.

For more information on the role of committees see *Senate Briefs No. 4 – Senate Committees*.

Number of government responses to committee reports:

Tabled in 2012	40
Presented in 2011, tabled in 2012	5

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee

Inquiry into integrity testing—Report tabled 25 November 2011

Response presented 30 March 2012, tabled 10 May 2012

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee

Inquiry into the operation of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*—

Interim report tabled 24 February 2010

Response tabled 9 February 2012

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee

Inquiry into the operation of the *Law Enforcement Integrity Commissioner Act 2006*—

Final report tabled 7 July 2011

Response tabled 9 February 2012

Community Affairs References Committee

Consumer access to pharmaceutical benefits—Report tabled 24 November 2010

Response presented 22 February 2012, tabled 27 February 2012

Community Affairs References Committee

Gene patents—Report presented 26 November 2010, tabled 9 February 2011

Response presented 6 December 2011, tabled 7 February 2012

Community Affairs References Committee

Review of the Professional Services Review (PSR) Scheme—Report presented 25 October 2011, tabled 31 October 2011

Response presented 6 March 2012, tabled 13 March 2012

Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee

Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Report tabled 13 March 2012

Response tabled 21 June 2012

Cyber Safety—Joint Select Committee

High-wire act – cyber-safety and the young—Interim report—Report tabled 20 June 2011

Response presented 20 December 2011, tabled 7 February 2012

Economics References Committee

Impacts of supermarket price decisions on the dairy industry—Report tabled 3 November 2011

Response presented 3 February 2012, tabled 7 February 2012

Economics References Committee

Milking it for all it's worth: Competition and pricing in the Australian dairy industry—Report tabled 13 May 2010

Response presented 3 February 2012, tabled 7 February 2012

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee

Primary Schools for the 21st Century Program—Report presented 25 March 2011, tabled 10 May 2011

Response tabled 27 June 2012

Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee

The administration and purchasing of disability employment services in Australia—Report tabled 25 November 2010

Response presented 17 February 2012, tabled 27 February 2012

Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee

Forestry and mining operations on the Tiwi Islands—Report tabled 29 October 2009

Response presented 19 December 2011, tabled 7 February 2012

Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee

Living with salinity—A report on progress: The extent and economic impact of salinity in Australia—Report tabled 28 March 2006

Response presented 12 April 2012, tabled 10 May 2012

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation—Part 1 – Australian privacy principles—Report tabled 15 June 2011

Response tabled 10 May 2012

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation—Part 2 – Credit reporting—Report presented 6 October 2011, tabled 11 October 2011

Response tabled 10 May 2012

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

Reports on annual reports referred to legislation committees—No. 2 of 2009—Report tabled 9 September 2009

Response presented 24 January 2012, tabled 7 February 2012

Finance and Public Administration References Committee

Administration of health practitioner registration by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency—Report presented 3 June 2011, tabled 14 June 2011

Response presented 19 January 2012, tabled 7 February 2012

Finance and Public Administration References Committee

Native vegetation laws, greenhouse gas abatement and climate change measures—Report presented 30 April 2010, tabled 11 May 2011

Response presented 16 January 2012, tabled 7 February 2012

Finance and Public Administration—Standing Committee

Annual reports referred to committees—No. 1 of 2008—Report tabled 20 March 2008

Response tabled 13 March 2012

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee

Human rights in the Asia-Pacific: Challenges and opportunities—Report presented 19 April 2010, tabled 11 May 2010

Response tabled 9 February 2012

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee

Review of the Defence annual report 2009-10—Report tabled 27 February 2012

Response tabled 18 June 2012

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee

Inquiry into Australia's relationship with the countries of Africa—Report tabled 23 June 2011

Response tabled 10 May 2012

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

Defence's request for tender for aviation contracts—Report tabled 25 August 2011

Response tabled 9 February 2012

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

Part II: Incidents onboard HMAS *Success* between March and May 2009 and subsequent events—Report tabled 22 September 2011

Response tabled 9 February 2012

Fuel and Energy—Select Committee

The mining tax: Still bad for the economy – still bad for jobs—Report presented 30 July 2010, tabled 28 September 2010

Response tabled 13 March 2012

Gambling Reform—Joint Select Committee

Interactive and online gambling and gambling advertising and Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011—Report presented 8 December 2011, tabled 7 February 2012

Response tabled 21 June 2012

Gambling Reform—Joint Select Committee

The design and implementation of a mandatory pre-commitment system for electronic gaming machines—Report presented 6 May 2011, tabled 10 May 2011

Response presented 4 May 2012, tabled 10 May 2012

Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory Committee

Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2009-10—Report tabled 24 August 2011

Response tabled 10 May 2012

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

Australia's arrangement with Malaysia in relation to asylum seekers—Report tabled 11 October 2011

Response presented 13 June 2012, tabled 18 June 2012

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

International parental child abduction to and from Australia—Report tabled 31 October 2011

Response presented 30 March 2012, tabled 10 May 2012

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

A balancing act: provisions of the *Water Act 2007*—Report presented 10 June 2011, tabled 14 June 2011

Response presented 27 March 2012, tabled 10 May 2012

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

Review of government compensation payments—Report presented 6 December 2010, tabled 9 February 2011

Response presented 29 November 2011, tabled 7 February 2012

National Broadband Network—Joint Standing Committee

Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network—First report—Report presented 31 August 2011, tabled 12 September 2011

Response tabled 13 March 2012

National Broadband Network—Joint Standing Committee

Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network—Second report—Report tabled 25 November 2011

Response presented 16 April 2012, tabled 10 May 2012

Parliamentary Committee reports

Schedule of government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports—Tabled by the President of the Senate 7 July 2011

Response tabled 7 February 2012

Parliamentary Committee reports

Schedule of government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports—Tabled by the President of the Senate 25 November 2011

Response tabled 27 June 2012

Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Airports Amendment Bill 2010 [Provisions]—Report tabled 18 November 2010

Response tabled 13 March 2012

Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Exposure draft and explanatory memorandum of the Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011—Report tabled 23 June 2011

Response presented 25 November 2011, tabled 7 February 2012

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Investment of Commonwealth and state funds in public passenger transport infrastructure and services—Report tabled 20 August 2009

Response tabled 27 June 2012

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Iraqi wheat debt: Repayments for wheat growers—Report tabled 16 June 2005

Response tabled 21 June 2012

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities—Report presented 18 December 2009, tabled 2 February 2010

Response tabled 13 March 2012

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport—Standing Committee

Australia's future oil supply and alternative transport fuels—Report tabled 7 February 2007

Response presented 28 May 2012, tabled 18 June 2012

Scrutiny of New Taxes—Select Committee

The mining tax: A bad tax out of a flawed process—Report presented 29 June 2011, tabled 4 July 2011

Response tabled 13 March 2012

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee

110th report—Treaties tabled 18, 25 [2] and 26 November 2009 and 2 [2] February 2010—Report tabled 16 March 2010

Response tabled 9 February 2012

3.9 Petitions

Individuals and organisations may seek to have petitions presented to the Parliament. Petitions generally express views on matters of public policy and ask the Senate or the Parliament to take - or, in some cases, *not* to take - a particular course of action.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 21 – Petitions*.

Number of petitions: 23
Number of signatories: 66 892

Subject	Petitions	Signatories
Communications—Radio and telecommunications facilities	1	490
Economics—Export of Kangaroo hide product	1	46
Environment—		
Australian Greens and the carbon tax	4	30
<i>Canis dingo—Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	3	5 678
Foreign Affairs—		
Australia-Vietnam—Human rights	1	55 361
Palestine	1	75
Health—		
Closure of the Princess Road Medical Practice	1	283
Medicare and private health insurance	1	1
Proserpine district—Additional pharmacy	1	2 436
Indigenous Australians—Northern Land Council—Home ownership on long term leases	1	35
Industrial Relations— <i>Fair Work Act 2009</i> —National employment standards	3	608
Politics—Labor Government	2	925
Social Issues— <i>Marriage Act 1961</i> —Definition of marriage	2	156
Women—Legalising child abandonment for the protection of newborn babies	1	768

3.10 Questions

Questions without notice

Questions asked of ministers in the Senate at question time are asked *without notice*, although a senator may informally advise a minister of the subject of a proposed question.

	2010	2011	2012 (to 30 June)
Australian Labor Party	332	427	180
Coalition	551	739	326
Australian Greens	112	201	102
Democratic Labor Party	—	27	21
Family First Party	33	17	—
Senator Xenophon	24	42	15
Total	1052	1453	644

Questions on notice

Where a senator seeks a detailed response, particularly where statistical information is sought, that question is more appropriately submitted in written form and placed *on notice*. A senator who places a question on notice and does not receive a reply within 30 days may seek from the relevant minister in the Senate an explanation as to why an answer has not been provided. There is no limit to the number of questions a senator may place on notice.

	2010	2011	2012 (to 30 June)
Australian Labor Party	0	1	1
Coalition	659	938	388
Australian Greens	178	193	63
Democratic Labor Party	—	0	0
Family First	0	0	—
Senator Xenophon	0	0	0
Total	837	1132	452

For further information about questions, see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 17 – Questions* and *Senate Brief No. 12 – Questions*. Further statistics about questions on notice are available in the [Questions on Notice Summary](#)

3.11 Attendance of senators

This table lists the attendance of senators in the Senate chamber on sitting days in 2012.

Under section 20 of the Constitution, senators can lose their places if they fail to attend the Senate for two consecutive months without permission. A senator can be granted leave of absence with the consent of the chamber. Senators who are absent without the Senate's approval are shown as "Absent without leave".

Period: 1 January to 30 June 2012

Sitting days: 27

Senator	Days present	Absent without leave	Absent with leave	Senator	Days present	Absent without leave	Absent with leave
Abetz	27	0	0	Johnston	26	1	0
Adams ¹	0	0	15	Joyce	22	0	5
Arbib ²	7	0	0	Kroger	27	0	0
Back	21	0	6	Ludlam	27	0	0
Bernardi	25	1	1	Ludwig	25	0	2
Bilyk	27	0	0	Lundy	26	0	1
Birmingham	24	0	3	Macdonald	27	0	0
Bishop	24	1	2	Madigan	27	0	0
Boswell	26	0	1	Marshall	27	0	0
Boyce	24	0	3	Mason	27	0	0
Brandis	27	0	0	McEwen	27	0	0
Brown, B ³	17	1	0	McKenzie	27	0	0
Brown, C	24	0	3	McLucas	26	0	1
Bushby	26	0	1	Milne	26	0	1
Cameron	27	0	0	Moore	27	0	0
Carr, B ⁴	15	0	5	Nash	19	0	8
Carr, K	26	0	1	Parry	26	0	1
Cash	27	0	0	Payne	26	0	1
Colbeck	27	0	0	Polley	27	0	0
Collins	27	0	0	Pratt	27	0	0
Conroy	24	0	3	Rhiannon	27	0	0
Cormann	25	0	2	Ronaldson	26	0	1
Crossin	27	0	0	Ryan	27	0	0
Di Natale	27	0	0	Scullion	25	1	1
Edwards	27	0	0	Sherry ⁵	14	0	4
Eggleston	25	0	2	Siewert	18	0	9
Evans	26	0	1	Singh	27	0	0
Farrell	26	0	1	Sinodinos	25	0	2
Faulkner	27	0	0	Smith ⁶	12	0	0
Fawcett	26	1	0	Stephens	27	0	0
Feeney	26	0	1	Sterle	26	0	1
Fierravanti-Wells	27	0	0	Thistlethwaite	27	0	0
Fifield	27	0	0	Thorp ⁷	6	0	0
Fisher	18	0	9	Urquhart	22	0	5
Furner	27	0	0	Waters	22	0	5
Gallacher	27	0	0	Whish-Wilson ⁸	6	0	0
Hanson-Young	27	0	0	Williams	26	0	1
Heffernan	25	1	1	Wong	26	0	1
Hogg	27	0	0	Wright	26	1	0
Humphries	27	0	0	Xenophon	16	5	6

- 1 Deceased 31 March 2012
- 2 Resigned 5 March 2012
- 3 Resigned 15 June 2012
- 4 Term commenced 6 March 2012
- 5 Resigned 1 June 2012
- 6 Term commenced 2 May 2012
- 7 Term commenced 20 June 2012
- 8 Term commenced 20 June 2012

3.12 Attendance of senators in divisions

The voting statistics do not reflect absences as a result of pairing arrangements or leave. Pairing is an unofficial arrangement between the parties, details of which are indicated in the *Hansard*, adjacent to the relevant division.

Divisions:

Divisions in the Senate.....	150
Divisions in committee of the whole	12
Total.....	162

Senator	Senate	Committee	Senator	Senate	Committee
Abetz	108	8	Johnston	86	2
Adams ¹	0	0	Joyce	76	3
Arbib ²	18	2	Kroger	139	5
Back	94	4	Ludlam	150	12
Bernardi	104	4	Ludwig	98	9
Bilyk	133	11	Lundy	123	12
Birmingham	109	5	Macdonald	113	2
Bishop	106	9	Madigan	149	11
Boswell	94	5	Marshall	145	12
Boyce	102	10	Mason	120	12
Brandis	77	2	McEwen	137	9
Brown, B ³	87	5	McKenzie	146	12
Brown, C	120	12	McLucas	100	5
Bushby	114	8	Milne	146	10
Cameron	143	10	Moore	150	12
Carr, B ⁴	53	6	Nash	107	6
Carr, K	92	9	Parry	145	11
Cash	123	9	Payne	119	8
Colbeck	138	6	Polley	142	11
Collins	127	7	Pratt	139	8
Conroy	58	1	Rhiannon	150	12
Cormann	106	5	Ronaldson	97	3
Crossin	136	12	Ryan	105	4
Di Natale	150	12	Scullion	83	6
Edwards	144	12	Sherry ⁵	70	0
Eggleston	107	6	Siewert	96	5
Evans	45	11	Singh	136	12
Farrell	125	11	Sinodinos	93	5
Faulkner	113	4	Smith ⁶	65	7
Fawcett	119	10	Stephens	134	11
Feeney	135	4	Sterle	130	11
Fierravanti-Wells	88	11	Thistlethwaite	145	12
Fifield	146	11	Thorp ⁷	32	6
Fisher	72	4	Urquhart	118	12
Furner	140	10	Waters	121	11
Gallacher	150	12	Whish-Wilson ⁸	32	6
Hanson-Young	148	12	Williams	112	9
Heffernan	66	4	Wong	51	4
Hogg	117	10	Wright	150	12
Humphries	100	2	Xenophon	78	4

3.11 Attendance of senators

- 1 Deceased 31 March 2012
- 2 Resigned 5 March 2012
- 3 Resigned 15 June 2012
- 4 Term commenced 6 March 2012
- 5 Resigned 1 June 2012
- 6 Term commenced 2 May 2012
- 7 Term commenced 20 June 2012
- 8 Term commenced 20 June 2012

Appendix—Details of bills

Bills considered by the Senate—1 January to 30 June 2012

An alphabetical list of bills showing details of their consideration in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Abbreviations

AG	Australian Greens	CID	Consideration in detail stage (House of Representatives)
ALP	Australian Labor Party [Govt]	PM	Private member's bill
AUS	Katter's Australian Party	PS	Private senator's bill
CLP	Country Liberal Party [Opp]	S	Senate bill
DLP	Democratic Labor Party	SBC	Senate Selection of Bills Committee
Ind	Independent	SC	House of Representatives Selection Committee
LP	Liberal Party of Australia [Opp]		
Nats	The Nationals [Opp]		
Nats WA	The Nationals WA [Opp]		

Access to Justice (Federal Jurisdiction) Amendment Bill 2011

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 16/2/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 13/2/12

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/2/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 22/3/12; report presented out of sitting 29/3/12 and tabled 10/5/12

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/3/12; Passed 10/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; report tabled 18/6/12

PS Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Xenophon – Ind)

Senate: Intro. 17/8/11; 2nd reading adjourned 17/8/11, 10/5/12

SBC report 10/11 (tabled and adopted 18/8/11): Bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 21/11/11, 29/2/12, 14/3/12; report tabled 22/3/12

Antarctic Treaty (Environment Protection) Amendment Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Antarctic Treaty (Environment Protection) Amendment Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 29/2/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Climate Change, Environment and the Arts Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 16/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 90, 2012

Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2011-2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 8/2/12; Passed 29/2/12

SC report no. 41 (tabled 9/2/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 13/2/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 30, 2012

Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2011-2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 8/2/12; Passed 29/2/12

SC report no. 41 (tabled 9/2/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 13/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 31, 2012

Appropriation Bill (No. 5) 2011-2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 8/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 22/6/12

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 65, 2012

Appropriation Bill (No. 6) 2011-2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 8/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 22/6/12

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 66, 2012

Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2012-2013

House of Representatives: Intro. 8/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 25/6/12

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 78, 2012

Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2012-2013**House of Representatives:** Intro. 8/5/12; Passed 20/6/12**Senate:** Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 25/6/12

Committee amendment: 1 Part opposed (Opp)/Part agreed to

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 79, 2012**Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2012-2013****House of Representatives:** Intro. 8/5/12; Passed 20/6/12**Senate:** Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 25/6/12**Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 80, 2012****PS Assisting Victims of Overseas Terrorism Bill 2012**

(Introduced by Senator Brandis – LP)

Senate: Intro. 1/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 1/3/12, 15/3/12, 22/3/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Order varied: Bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/pending

Australian Citizenship Amendment (Defence Families) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 19/6/12**Senate:** Intro. 20/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 21/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; report tabled 21/6/12

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 25/6/12Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee 23/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 89, 2012**Australian Research Council Amendment Bill 2011**(Act citation: *Australian Research Council Amendment Act 2012*)**House of Representatives:** Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 7/2/12**Senate:** Intro. 8/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 40, 2012

Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Screening) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 16/2/12; Passed 23/5/12

SC report no. 44 (tabled 16/2/12): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 9/5/12

CID amendment: 1 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 18/6/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 9/5/12; interim report presented out of sitting 18/5/12 and tabled 18/6/12; final report presented out of sitting 30/5/12 and tabled 18/6/12

S Broadcasting Services Amendment (Anti-siphoning) Bill 2012

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 22/3/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 4/5/12 and tabled 10/5/12

Broadcasting Services Amendment (Digital Television) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 30/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 22/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 88, 2012

Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 30/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

CID amendments: 10 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 25/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report tabled 25/6/12

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 83, 2012

PS Broadcasting Services Amendment (Public Interest Test) Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Ludlam – AG)

Senate: Intro. 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12); 2nd reading adjourned 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)

S Broadcasting Services Amendment (Regional Commercial Radio) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Broadcasting Services Amendment (Regional Commercial Radio) Bill 2011)

Senate: Intro. 24/11/11; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference
Committee amendments: 3 Govt/passed

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 22/3/12

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 34, 2012

Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 3/11/11; Passed 16/2/12
CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 73 AG/negated; 10 AUS/negated

Senate: Intro. 28/2/12; Passed 20/3/12
SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report tabled 29/2/12

Committee amendments: 2 Opp/negated

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 42, 2012

Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Online Games) Bill 2011

House of Representatives: Intro. 12/10/11; Passed 2/11/11

Senate: Intro. 3/11/11; 2nd reading adjourned 3/11/11
SBC report 15/11 (tabled and adopted 3/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report tabled 9/2/12

Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (R 18+ Computer Games) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 15/2/12; Passed 19/3/12
SC report no. 44 (tabled 16/2/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; report tabled 29/2/12

Senate: Intro. 20/3/12; Passed 18/6/12
SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 14/3/12; report tabled 22/3/12

Clean Energy (Customs Tariff Amendment) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 30/5/12
SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 30/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 25/6/12
Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee 23/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12
SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 85, 2012

Clean Energy (Excise Tariff Legislation Amendment) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 30/5/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 30/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 25/6/12

Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee 23/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 81, 2012

Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 30/5/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 30/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 25/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 25/6/12

Clean Energy Legislation Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 30/5/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 30/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 25/6/12

Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee 23/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 84, 2012

Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 24/5/12

CID amendments: 19 Govt/passed; 1 Opp/passed; 4 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 15/6/12 and tabled 18/6/12

Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Committee amendments: 7 Opp/negated

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 55, 2012

Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 24/5/12

CID amendments: 4 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 15/6/12 and tabled 18/6/12

Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negatived

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 56, 2012

PS Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010

(Introduced by Senator Hanson-Young – AG)

Senate: Intro. 29/9/10; Negatived at 2nd reading 1/3/12

SBC report 11/10 (tabled and adopted 30/9/10): Bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; order varied 26/10/10; bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee 26/10/10; report tabled 12/5/11

Consumer Credit Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Consumer Credit and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Enhancements) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/9/11; Passed 26/6/12

SC report no. 33 (tabled 22/9/11): Bill referred to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services; report presented to Senate out of sitting 2/12/11 and tabled 7/2/12; report tabled in House 13/2/12

CID amendments: 70 Govt/passed

Senate:

SBC report 13/11 (tabled and adopted 22/9/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 8/11/11, 25/11/11; report presented out of sitting 7/12/11 and tabled 7/2/12

Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Corporations Amendment (Further Future of Financial Advice Measures) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/11/11; Passed 22/3/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services; report tabled in House 29/2/12 and Senate 1/3/12

CID amendments: 6 Govt/passed; 30 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Committee amendments: 10 Govt/passed; 24 Opp/negated; 1 section opposed (Opp)/section agreed to

[House agreed to Senate amendments 25/6/12]

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 68, 2012

Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 13/10/11; Passed 22/3/12

SC report no. 36 (tabled 13/10/11): Bill referred to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services; report tabled in House 29/2/12 and Senate 1/3/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 18 Govt/passed; 15 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

SBC report 15/11 (tabled and adopted 3/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Committee amendments: 8 Govt/passed; 13 Opp/negated; 1 Subdivision opposed (Opp)/Subdivision agreed to; 5 sections opposed (Opp)/sections agreed to

[House agreed to Senate amendments 25/6/12]

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 67, 2012

Corporations Amendment (Phoenixing and Other Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 15/2/12; Passed 1/3/12

SC report no. 44 (tabled 16/2/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 27/2/12

Senate: Intro. 13/3/12; Passed 9/5/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Order varied: Bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 9/5/12

Assent: 26/5/12; Act No. 48, 2012

Corporations Amendment (Proxy Voting) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 31/5/12**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 73, 2012**Corporations Legislation Amendment (Audit Enhancement) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 13/3/12**Senate:** Intro. 14/3/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 3/12 (tabled and adopted 15/3/12): No reference

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 72, 2012**Corporations Legislation Amendment (Financial Reporting Panel) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 28/6/12**Senate:** Intro. 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12); 2nd reading adjourned 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): No reference**Courts Legislation Amendment (Judicial Complaints) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 14/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 14/3/12

SC report no. 48 (tabled 15/3/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; report tabled 25/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 18/6/12; report due 13/7/12

PS Crimes Amendment (Fairness for Minors) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Hanson-Young – AG)

Senate: Intro. 23/11/11; 2nd reading adjourned 23/11/11

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 28/2/12; report presented out of sitting 4/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

Crimes Legislation Amendment (Powers and Offences) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Crimes Legislation Amendment (Powers and Offences) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 1/3/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; report tabled 29/2/12

CID amendments: 5 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 13/3/12; Passed 20/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 24, 2012

Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 30/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 30/5/12

SC report no. 55 (tabled 31/5/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 28/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 13/9/12

Customs Amendment (Anti-dumping Improvements) Bill (No. 2) 2011

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 28/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; 2nd reading adjourned 29/2/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Customs Amendment (Anti-dumping Improvements) Bill (No. 2) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/3/12; Passed 9/5/12

Senate: Intro. 10/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 10/5/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Customs Amendment (New Zealand Rules of Origin) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Customs Amendment (New Zealand Rules of Origin) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 16/6/11; Passed 6/7/11

Senate: Intro. 7/7/11; Passed 9/2/12

SBC report 8/11 (tabled and adopted 23/6/11): No reference

Assent: 6/3/12; **Act No. 1, 2012**

Customs Amendment (Reducing Business Compliance Burden) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Customs Amendment (Reducing Business Compliance Burden) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 7/2/12

Senate: Intro. 8/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 15/4/12; **Act No. 37, 2012**

Customs Amendment (Smuggled Tobacco) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 27/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/6/12

SC report no. 59 (tabled 28/6/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee

Senate:

SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

Customs Tariff Amendment (Schedule 4) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 21/3/12; Passed 9/5/12**Senate:** Intro. 10/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 10/5/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 21/3/12; Passed 9/5/12**Senate:** Intro. 10/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 10/5/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

PS Defence Trade Controls Bill 2011**House of Representatives:** Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 21/11/11

SC report no. 38 (tabled 3/11/11): Bill referred to Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade; statement discharging committee's requirement to present a report made in House 21/11/11 and tabled in Senate 22/11/11

Senate: Intro. 22/11/11; 2nd reading adjourned 22/11/11

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 22/3/12; report due 15/8/12

Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Bill 2011*(Act citation: Education Services for Overseas Students Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection Service and Other Measures) Act 2012)***House of Representatives:** Intro. 22/9/11; Passed 3/11/11

SC report no. 33 (tabled 22/9/11): Bill referred to House Education and Employment Committee; report tabled 1/11/11

CID amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 3/11/11; Passed 29/2/12

SBC report 14/11 (tabled and adopted 13/10/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 8/11/11; report tabled 27/2/12

Committee amendments: 5 Govt/passed; 4 AG (1 as amended)/passed; 19 AG/negated; 5 Ind (Xenophon)/negated

[House agreed to Senate amendments 1/3/12]

Assent: 20/3/12; Act No. 9, 2012

Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Tuition Protection Service) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/9/11; Passed 3/11/11

SC report no. 33 (tabled 22/9/11): Bill referred to House Education and Employment Committee; report tabled 1/11/11

Senate: Intro. 3/11/11; Passed 29/2/12

SBC report 14/11 (tabled and adopted 13/10/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 8/11/11; report tabled 27/2/12

Assent: 20/3/12; Act No. 10, 2012

Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/9/11; Passed 3/11/11

SC report no. 33 (tabled 22/9/11): Bill referred to House Education and Employment Committee; report tabled 1/11/11

Senate: Intro. 3/11/11; Passed 29/2/12

SBC report 14/11 (tabled and adopted 13/10/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 8/11/11; report tabled 27/2/12

Committee requests for amendments: 8 AG/negated

Assent: 20/3/12; Act No. 11, 2012

Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Maintaining Address) Bill 2011

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 21/3/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters; report tabled in House and Senate 13/3/12

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 21/6/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Protecting Elector Participation) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 15/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

SC report no. 44 (tabled 16/2/12): Bill referred to Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters; report tabled in House and Senate 19/3/12

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 21/6/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

PS Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Colbeck – LP)

Senate: Intro. 2/3/11; 2nd reading adjourned 2/3/11, 16/6/11, 23/6/11, 24/11/11, 9/2/12

SBC report 2/11 (tabled and adopted 3/3/11): Bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 24/3/11; interim report presented out of sitting 27/5/11 and tabled 14/6/11; extension of time for final report 14/6/11; report tabled 15/6/11

PS Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Emergency Listings) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Waters – AG)

Senate: Intro. 13/10/11; 2nd reading adjourned 13/10/11

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11); Bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 22/11/11; report tabled 1/3/12

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 29/5/12

CID amendments: 1 Opp/passed; 1 AG/negated; 1 AUS/negated

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12); Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report tabled 20/6/12

PS Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Monitoring of Whaling) Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Bob Brown – AG)

Senate: Intro. 9/2/12; 2nd reading adjourned 9/2/12

SBC report 1/12 (tabled and adopted 9/2/12): No reference

PS Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Protecting Australia's Water Resources) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Waters – AG)

Senate: Intro. 1/11/11; 2nd reading adjourned 1/11/11

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11); Bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; report tabled 27/2/12

PS Environment Protection (Beverage Container Deposit and Recovery Scheme) Bill 2010

(Introduced by Senator Ludlam – AG)

Senate: Intro. 30/9/10; 2nd reading adjourned 30/9/10, 3/3/11, 1/3/12

SBC report 11/10 (tabled and adopted 30/9/10): No reference

Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 1/3/12; Passed 18/6/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 9 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 19/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 19/6/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12); Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Excise Amendment (Reducing Business Compliance Burden) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Excise Amendment (Reducing Business Compliance Burden) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 7/2/12

Senate: Intro. 8/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 36, 2012

Extradition and Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation Amendment Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Extradition and Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Legislation Amendment Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 6/7/11; Passed 20/9/11

SC report no. 27 (tabled 7/7/11): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; report tabled 12/9/11

CID amendments: 6 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 21/9/11; Passed 29/2/12

SBC report 10/11 (tabled and adopted 18/8/11): No reference

Committee amendments: 22 AG/negated

Assent: 20/3/12; Act No. 7, 2012

S Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Fair Work Amendment (Textile, Clothing and Footwear Industry) Bill 2011)

Senate: Intro. 24/11/11; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report tabled 27/2/12

Committee amendments: 12 Govt/passed; 2 Opp/negated

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 22/3/12

CID amendments: 2 Opp/negated

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 33, 2012

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro 31/5/12; Passed 25/6/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 8 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 25/6/12; Passed 26/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report tabled 25/6/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Committee amendments: 10 Opp/negated; 1 item opposed (Opp)/item agreed to; 1 section opposed (Opp)/section agreed to

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 93, 2012

Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives Bill 2012

(Previous title: Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 7/7/11; Passed 15/2/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 4 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; Passed 15/3/12

SBC report 10/11 (tabled and adopted 18/8/11): No reference

Committee amendments: 2 Ind (Xenophon)/negated

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 26, 2012

Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 7/7/11; Passed 15/2/12

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; Passed 15/3/12

SBC report 10/11 (tabled and adopted 18/8/11): No reference

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 27, 2012

Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 7/7/11; Passed 15/2/12

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; Passed 15/3/12

SBC report 10/11 (tabled and adopted 18/8/11): No reference

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 28, 2012

Family Assistance and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 15/2/12; Passed 29/2/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 1/3/12; Passed 9/5/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

Assent: 26/5/12; Act No. 49, 2012

Family Assistance and Other Legislation Amendment (Schoolkids Bonus Budget Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 9/5/12; Passed 9/5/12

Senate: Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 10/5/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Assent: 26/5/12; Act No. 50, 2012

Family Law Amendment (Validation of Certain Orders and Other Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 14/3/12; Passed 20/3/12
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 22/3/12
SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): No reference
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Assent: 10/4/12; Act No. 32, 2012

Federal Financial Relations Amendment (National Health Reform) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12
CID amendments: 3 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12
SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Assent: 25/6/12; Act No. 61, 2012

Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 16/2/12; Passed 1/3/12

Senate: Intro. 13/3/12; Passed 21/3/12
SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference
Committee amendments: 2 items opposed (Opp)/items agreed to

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 25, 2012

Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 30/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; Passed 22/6/12
SBC report 7/12 (tabled and adopted 21/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 82, 2012

Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 26/6/12; Passed 26/6/12
CID amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 27/6/12; Passed 27/6/12
2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negated
Committee amendments: 1 Opp/negated; 3 AG/negated
SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 77, 2012

PS Government Investment Funds Amendment (Ethical Investments) Bill 2011
(Introduced by Senators Di Natale and Ludlam – AG)

Senate: Intro. 24/11/11; 2nd reading adjourned 24/11/11
SBC report 7/12 (tabled and adopted 21/6/12): Bill referred to Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee; report due 22/8/12

Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 30/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 30/5/12

SC report no. 55 (tabled 31/5/12): Bill referred to House Climate Change, Environment and the Arts Committee

Senate:

SBC report 7/12 (tabled and adopted 21/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report due 15/8/12

Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards (Registration Fees) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 30/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 30/5/12

SC report no. 55 (tabled 31/5/12): Bill referred to House Climate Change, Environment and the Arts Committee

Senate:

SBC report 7/12 (tabled and adopted 21/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report due 15/8/12

Health Insurance Amendment (Professional Services Review) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 9/5/12; Passed 9/5/12**Senate:** Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 76, 2012**PS Health Insurance (Dental Services) Bill 2012 [No. 2]**

(Introduced by Senator Bushby – LP)

Senate: Intro. 21/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 21/3/12, 21/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Bill referred to Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Higher Education Support Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 15/2/12; Passed 15/3/12

CID amendments: 2 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 15/3/12; Passed 20/3/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

Committee amendments: 2 items opposed (Opp)/items agreed to

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 38, 2012**Higher Education Support Amendment (Student Contribution Amounts and Other Measures) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 27/6/12**Senate:** Intro. 27/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

S Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [2012]

(Act citation: *Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP and Other Measures) Act 2012*)

Senate: Intro. 24/11/11; Passed 9/2/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

House of Representatives: Intro. 13/2/12; Passed 27/2/12

Assent: 6/3/12; Act No. 6, 2012

Illegal Logging Prohibition Bill 2011

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; 2nd reading adjourned 23/11/11

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade; report tabled in House 28/6/12 and Senate 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)

Senate:

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 8/2/12; report tabled 27/2/12

Income Tax (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 26/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 18/6/12

Senate: Intro. 28/6/12; Passed 28/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 96, 2012

Income Tax (Seasonal Labour Mobility Program Withholding Tax) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 31/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee 24/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 59, 2012

Indirect Tax Laws Amendment (Assessment) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 13/3/12

Senate: Intro. 14/3/12; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 3/12 (tabled and adopted 15/3/12): No reference

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 39, 2012

Insurance Contracts Amendment Bill 2012

(Previous title: Insurance Contracts Amendment Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 19/3/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 16/2/12

CID amendments: 6 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 20/3/12; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 41, 2012

S Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Raising the Bar) Bill 2011 [2012]

(Act citation: *Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Raising the Bar) Act 2012*)

Senate: Intro. 22/6/11; Passed 27/2/12

SBC report 10/11 (tabled and adopted 18/8/11): No reference

House of Representatives: Intro. 28/2/12; Passed 20/3/12

Assent: 15/4/12; Act No. 35, 2012

PS Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Xenophon – Ind)

Senate: Intro. 20/6/11; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/11

Reference (*see* item 31, *Journals* 30/9/10): Bill referred to Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform 20/6/11; report presented out of sitting 8/12/11 and tabled 7/2/12; report tabled in House 13/2/12

SBC report 9/11 (tabled and adopted 7/7/11): Committee noted reference (*see* above)

Judges and Governors-General Legislation Amendment (Family Law) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 15/3/12; Passed 21/3/12

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 22/3/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Judicial Misbehaviour and Incapacity (Parliamentary Commissions) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 14/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 14/3/12, 28/6/12

SC report no. 48 (tabled 15/3/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; report tabled 25/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 18/6/12; report due 13/7/12

PS Landholders' Right to Refuse (Coal Seam Gas) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Waters – AG)

Senate: Intro. 24/8/11; 2nd reading adjourned 24/8/11, 22/9/11, 22/3/12

SBC report 13/11 (tabled and adopted 22/9/11): No reference

Legislative Instruments Amendment (Sunsetting Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 26/6/12

Senate: Intro. 27/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

PS Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2011 [No. 2]

(Introduced by Senator Siewert – AG)

Senate: Intro. 15/6/11; Discharged from *Notice Paper* 10/5/12

SBC report 8/11 (tabled and adopted 23/6/11): Bill referred to Senate Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee; extension of time to report 16/8/11; variation of reporting date 18/8/11; extensions of time to report 20/9/11, 12/10/11, 9/11/11; report tabled 23/11/11

PS Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Rhiannon – AG)

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 22/3/12

PS Low Aromatic Fuel Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Siewert – AG)

Senate: Intro. 1/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 1/3/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): Bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 21/9/12

Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) National Law Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Marine Safety (Domestic Commercial Vessel) National Law (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Maritime Powers Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 30/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 30/5/12

SC report no. 55 (tabled 31/5/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 28/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 7/12 (tabled and adopted 21/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 20/8/12

Maritime Powers (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 30/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 30/5/12

SC report no. 55 (tabled 31/5/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 28/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 7/12 (tabled and adopted 21/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 20/8/12

PS Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010

(Introduced by Senator Hanson-Young – AG)

Senate: Intro. 29/9/10; 2nd reading adjourned 29/9/10

SBC report 12/10 (tabled and adopted 27/10/10): No reference

Reference: Bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee 8/2/11; extension of time to report 28/2/12; interim report presented out of sitting 31/5/12 and tabled 18/6/12; extension of time for final report 18/6/12; report tabled 25/6/12

Members of Parliament (Life Gold Pass) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 9/2/12; Passed 9/2/12**Senate:** Intro. 9/2/12; Passed 27/2/12

SBC report 1/12 (tabled and adopted 9/2/12): Bill referred to Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee; report tabled 27/2/12

Committee amendments: 2 Ind (Xenophon)/negatived

Assent: 6/3/12; Act No. 4, 2012**PS Migration Amendment (Removal of Mandatory Minimum Penalties) Bill 2012**

(Introduced by Senator Hanson-Young – AG)

Senate: Intro. 8/2/12; 2nd reading adjourned 8/2/12

SBC report 1/12 (tabled and adopted 9/2/12): Bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 28/2/12; report presented out of sitting 4/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

Migration Legislation Amendment (Student Visas) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 10/5/12**Senate:** Intro. 10/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 10/5/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 18/6/12; report tabled 19/6/12

PM Migration Legislation Amendment (The Bali Process) Bill 2012

(Introduced by Mr Oakeshott – Ind)

House of Representatives: Intro. 13/2/12; Passed 27/6/12

CID amendments: 1 Ind (Wilkie)/passed; 3 Opp/negatived

Senate: Intro. 28/6/12; Negatived at 2nd reading 28/6/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negatived

Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 9/5/12; Passed 21/6/12

SC report no. 51 (tabled 10/5/12): Bill referred to Joint Standing Committee on Migration; report tabled in House 18/6/12 and Senate 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 22/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 22/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Migration (Visa Evidence) Charge (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 9/5/12; Passed 21/6/12

SC report no. 51 (tabled 10/5/12): Bill referred to Joint Standing Committee on Migration; report tabled in House 18/6/12 and Senate 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 22/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 22/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Military Court of Australia Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 21/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

Military Court of Australia (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 21/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

Minerals Resource Rent Tax Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Minerals Resource Rent Tax Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

2nd reading amendment: 1 AUS/negated

CID amendments: 5 Ind (Wilkie)/passed; 6 Nats WA/negated

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

2nd reading amendments: 1 Ind (Xenophon)/passed; 1 Opp/negated; 1 AG/negated

Committee amendments: 2 AG/negated; 1 AG/ruled out of order

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 13, 2012

Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11); Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 14, 2012

Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Customs) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Customs) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

CID amendments: 5 Nats WA/negated

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11); Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 15, 2012

Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Excise) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Excise) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

CID amendments: 5 Nats WA/negated

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11); Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 16, 2012

Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—General) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Minerals Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—General) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

CID amendments: 5 Nats WA/negated

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11); Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 17, 2012

National Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2010

House of Representatives: Intro. 30/9/10; Passed 23/11/10

SC report no. 3 (tabled 21/10/10): No reference

Senate: Intro. 24/11/10; Passed 20/6/12

SBC report 11/10 (tabled and adopted 30/9/10): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 16/11/10; report tabled 17/11/10

Committee amendments: 2 Opp/passed; 5 AG/passed; 5 Opp/negated; 2 Ind (Xenophon)/negated; 1 Schedule opposed (Opp)/Schedule agreed to; 6 items opposed (Opp)/items agreed to

[House agreed to Senate amendments 26/6/12]

National Health Amendment (Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement Initiatives) Bill 2012

(Previous title: National Health Amendment (Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement Initiatives) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 16/2/12

CID amendment: 1 Opp/passed

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; Passed 1/3/12

SBC report 1/12 (tabled and adopted 9/2/12): No reference

Assent: 20/3/12; Act No. 8, 2012

National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 31/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 87, 2012

National Health Reform Amendment (Administrator and National Health Funding Body) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12

CID amendments: 21 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Assent: 25/6/12; Act No. 62, 2012

National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010

(Act citation: *National Radioactive Waste Management Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/10/10; Passed 22/2/11

SC report no. 3 (tabled 21/10/10): Bill referred to House Climate Change, Environment and the Arts Committee; report presented out of sitting 22/12/10 and tabled 21/2/11

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negated

Senate: Intro. 28/2/11; Passed 13/3/12

SBC report 12/10 (tabled and adopted 27/10/10): No reference

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negated

Committee amendments: 3 Govt/passed; 1 Opp/passed; 2 AG/passed; 24 AG/negated; 7 subclauses opposed (AG)/subclauses agreed to

[House agreed to Senate amendments 14/3/12]

Assent: 4/4/12; Act No. 29, 2012

National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Charges) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 23/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 22/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

S National Water Commission Amendment Bill 2012

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 1/5/12 and tabled 10/5/12

House of Representatives: Intro. 19/6/12; Passed 21/6/12

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 70, 2012

PS Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill (No. 1) 2012

(Introduced by Senator Siewert – AG)

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; 2nd reading adjourned 29/2/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

Navigation Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Navigation (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Nuclear Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Nuclear Terrorism Legislation Amendment Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 9/2/12

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; Passed 27/2/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 6/3/12; Act No. 3, 2012

Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Significant Incident Directions) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Significant Incident Directions) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/9/11; Passed 23/11/11

SC report no. 33 (tabled 22/9/11): Bill referred to House Climate Change, Environment and the Arts Committee; report tabled 21/11/11

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 9/2/12

SBC report 14/11 (tabled and adopted 13/10/11): No reference

Assent: 6/3/12; Act No. 2, 2012

Paid Parental Leave and Other Legislation Amendment (Dad and Partner Pay and Other Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 24/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 2 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 27/6/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Parliamentary Counsel and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 23/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 22/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 18/6/12

CID amendment: 1 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 27/6/12

Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee 23/5/12; extension of time to report 18/6/12; report tabled 19/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 94, 2012

Pay As You Go Withholding Non-compliance Tax Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 18/6/12

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 27/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 95, 2012**Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Bill 2011**(Act citation: *Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records Act 2012*)**House of Representatives:** Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 29/2/12**Senate:** Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 19/6/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 28/2/12, 13/3/12, 15/3/12; report tabled 19/3/12

Committee amendments: 32 Govt/passed

[House agreed to Senate amendments 21/6/12]

Assent: 26/6/12; Act No. 63, 2012**Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2011**(Act citation: *Personally Controlled Electronic Health Records (Consequential Amendments) Act 2012*)**House of Representatives:** Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 29/2/12**Senate:** Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 19/6/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 28/2/12, 13/3/12, 15/3/12; report tabled 19/3/12

Committee amendments: 16 Govt/passed; 1 item negated (Govt)

[House agreed to Senate amendments 21/6/12]

Assent: 26/6/12; Act No. 64, 2012**Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2011**(Act citation: *Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Assessment Amendment Act 2012*)**House of Representatives:** Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 18, 2012

Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Customs) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Customs) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 19, 2012

Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Excise) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—Excise) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 20, 2012

Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—General) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (Imposition—General) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 21, 2012

PS Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Di Natale – AG, Senator Madigan – DLP and Senator Xenophon – Ind)

Senate: Intro. 22/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 22/3/12

Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; 2nd reading adjourned 23/5/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Social Policy and Legal Affairs Committee

Senate:

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

- PS Qantas Sale Amendment (Still Call Australia Home) Bill 2011**
(Introduced by Senator Xenophon – Ind and Senator Bob Brown – AG)
Senate: Intro. 25/8/11; 2nd reading adjourned 25/8/11, 10/5/12
SBC report 12/11 (tabled and adopted 15/9/11): Bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 20/9/11, 21/11/11, 29/2/12, 14/3/12; report tabled 22/3/12
- PS Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Excessive Noise from Wind Farms) Bill 2012**
(Introduced by Senator Madigan – DLP and Senator Xenophon – Ind)
Senate: Intro. 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12); 2nd reading adjourned 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)
- Road Safety Remuneration Bill 2012**
(Previous title: Road Safety Remuneration Bill 2011)
House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 19/3/12
SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 1/3/12
CID amendments: 64 Govt/passed
Senate: Intro. 20/3/12; Passed 20/3/12
SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference
Assent: 16/4/12; Act No. 46, 2012
- Road Safety Remuneration (Consequential Amendments and Related Provisions) Bill 2012**
(Previous title: Road Safety Remuneration (Consequential Amendments and Related Provisions) Bill 2011)
House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 19/3/12
SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 1/3/12
CID amendment: 1 Govt/passed
Senate: Intro. 20/3/12; Passed 20/3/12
SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference
Assent: 16/4/12; Act No. 47, 2012

Shipping Reform (Tax Incentives) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 24/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 5 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 15/6/12 and tabled 18/6/12

Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 53, 2012

Shipping Registration Amendment (Australian International Shipping Register) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 24/5/12

CID amendments: 9 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 15/6/12 and tabled 18/6/12

Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 54, 2012

Skills Australia Amendment (Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 22/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 19/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 69, 2012

Social Security Amendment (Supporting Australian Victims of Terrorism Overseas) Bill 2012

(Previous title: Social Security Amendment (Supporting Australian Victims of Terrorism Overseas) Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/3/11; Passed 21/6/12

CID amendments: 11 Govt/passed; 2 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 22/6/12; Passed 22/6/12

SBC report 4/11 (tabled and adopted 25/3/11): No reference

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Order varied: Provisions of bill referred to Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (2012 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 29/5/12
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 26/6/12

Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee 24/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 98, 2012

Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Disability Support Pension Participation Reforms) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 15/2/12; Passed 29/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 9/5/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

Assent: 26/5/12; Act No. 51, 2012

Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support and Other Measures) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 9/2/12; Passed 29/2/12

Federation Chamber: Referred 16/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 9/5/12

SBC report 1/12 (tabled and adopted 9/2/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; report tabled 19/3/12

Assent: 26/5/12; Act No. 52, 2012

Social Security Legislation Amendment Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Social Security Legislation Amendment Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 27/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 8/2/12, 13/3/12; report tabled 14/3/12

Committee amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 19 AG/negated; 2 Schedules opposed (AG)/Schedules agreed to; 1 Part opposed (AG)/Part agreed to

[House agreed to Senate amendments 29/6/12 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 28/6/12)]

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 102, 2012

Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 31/5/12; Passed 28/6/12

CID amendments: 2 AG/negated

Senate: Intro. 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12); 2nd reading adjourned 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report due 22/8/12

PS Solar Hot Water Rebate Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Birmingham – LP)

Senate: Intro. 14/3/12; Negatived at 2nd reading 22/3/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): No reference

PS Special Broadcasting Service Amendment (Natural Program Breaks and Disruptive Advertising) Bill 2012

(Introduced by Senator Ludlam – AG)

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/2/12

SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): Consideration deferred

Statute Stocktake (Appropriations) Bill (No. 1) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro 20/6/12; Passed 27/6/12

Senate: Intro. 27/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/6/12

SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): No reference

Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2012

(Previous title: Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Bill 2011)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 27/2/12

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 5 Opp/passed

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 8/2/12, 13/3/12; report tabled 14/3/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negatived

Committee amendments: 5 Govt/passed; 7 Opp/passed; 20 AG/negatived

[House agreed to Senate amendments 29/6/12 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 28/6/12)]

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 100, 2012

Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 27/2/12

Senate: Intro. 29/2/12; Passed 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 8/2/12, 13/3/12; report tabled 14/3/12

Committee amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 6 AG/negatived

[House agreed to Senate amendments 29/6/12 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 28/6/12)]

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 101, 2012

Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Amendment Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

CID amendment: 1 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 22, 2012

Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Stronger Super) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 18/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services; report presented to Senate out of sitting 13/6/12; report tabled in House and Senate 18/6/12

Senate: Intro. 19/6/12; Passed 26/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 91, 2012

Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Obligations and Prudential Standards) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 16/2/12; Passed 23/5/12

CID amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 18/6/12

Reference: Provisions of bill referred to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services 29/2/12; extension of time to report 13/3/12; report tabled in House and Senate 19/3/12

SBC report 2/12 (tabled and adopted 1/3/12): No reference

Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 18/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services; report presented to Senate out of sitting 13/6/12; report tabled in House and Senate 18/6/12

Senate: Intro. 19/6/12; Passed 26/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 92, 2012

Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 1) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 1/3/12; Passed 22/5/12

SC report no. 45 (tabled 1/3/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 9/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 3/12 (tabled and adopted 15/3/12): No reference

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 75, 2012

Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 9) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Tax Laws Amendment (2011 Measures No. 9) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/11/11; Passed 14/2/12

SC report no. 39 (tabled 24/11/11): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 8/2/12

Senate: Intro. 27/2/12; Passed 1/3/12

SBC report 17/11 (tabled and adopted 25/11/11): No reference

Assent: 21/3/12; Act No. 12, 2012

Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 1) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/3/12; Passed 9/5/12

Senate: Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): No reference

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 71, 2012

Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 2) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 20/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 18/6/12

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 27/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 99, 2012

Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No. 3) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 31/5/12

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee 24/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 58, 2012

Tax Laws Amendment (Cross-Border Transfer Pricing) Bill (No. 1) 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

CID amendments: 3 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report due 14/8/12

Tax Laws Amendment (Income Tax Rates) Bill 2012**House of Representatives:** Intro. 24/5/12; Passed 31/5/12

CID amendments: 7 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12Reference: (*see* item 29, *Journals* 9/5/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee 24/5/12; report tabled 18/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 60, 2012**Tax Laws Amendment (Investment Manager Regime) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 27/6/12**Senate:** Intro. 27/6/12; 2nd reading adjourned 27/6/12SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): No reference**Tax Laws Amendment (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 21/6/12; Passed 26/6/12

SC report no. 58 (tabled 21/6/12): Bill referred to House Economics Committee; report tabled 25/6/12

Senate: Intro. 28/6/12; Passed 28/6/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

SBC report 8/12 (tabled and adopted 29/6/12 a.m. (*Journals* 28/6/12)): No reference**Assent: 29/6/12; Act No. 97, 2012****Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy and Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 10/5/12; Passed 22/5/12**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 20/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Assent: 28/6/12; Act No. 86, 2012**Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012****House of Representatives:** Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 31/5/12

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; report tabled 24/5/12

CID amendments: 3 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to:

Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 15/6/12 and tabled 18/6/12

Senate Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/4/12 and tabled 10/5/12

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

Assent: 21/6/12; Act No. 57, 2012

Tax Laws Amendment (Stronger, Fairer, Simpler and Other Measures) Bill 2011
(Act citation: *Tax Laws Amendment (Stronger, Fairer, Simpler and Other Measures) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 23/11/11 a.m. (*Votes and Proceedings* 22/11/11)

Reference: Bill referred to House Economics Committee 2/11/11; report tabled 21/11/11

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 7/2/12; Passed 19/3/12

SBC report 16/11 (tabled and adopted 10/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Economics Legislation Committee; report tabled 14/3/12

Assent: 29/3/12; Act No. 23, 2012

PS Telecommunications Amendment (Mobile Phone Towers) Bill 2011

(Introduced by Senator Bob Brown – AG)

Senate: Intro. 14/9/11; 2nd reading adjourned 14/9/11

SBC report 1/12 (tabled and adopted 9/2/12): Bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report tabled 10/5/12

Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Telecommunications (Industry Levy) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 8/2/12

SC report no. 38 (tabled 3/11/11): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 22/11/11

Senate: Intro. 9/2/12; Passed 20/3/12

SBC report 15/11 (tabled and adopted 3/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/2/12 and tabled 27/2/12

Assent: 16/4/12; Act No. 45, 2012

Telecommunications Interception and Other Legislation Amendment (State Bodies) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 22/3/12; Passed 29/5/12

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed

Senate: Intro. 18/6/12; Passed 18/6/12

SBC report 5/12 (tabled and adopted 10/5/12): No reference

Assent: 27/6/12; Act No. 74, 2012

Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Bill 2011
(Act citation: *Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Service Reform) Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 8/2/12

SC report no. 38 (tabled 3/11/11): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 22/11/11

CID amendments: 3 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 9/2/12; Passed 20/3/12

SBC report 15/11 (tabled and adopted 3/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/2/12 and tabled 27/2/12

Committee amendment: 1 Govt/passed

[House agreed to Senate amendment 20/3/12]

Assent: 16/4/12; Act No. 44, 2012

Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Bill 2011

(Act citation: *Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 2/11/11; Passed 8/2/12

SC report no. 38 (tabled 3/11/11): Bill referred to House Infrastructure and Communications Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 22/11/11

CID amendments: 3 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 9/2/12; Passed 21/3/12

SBC report 15/11 (tabled and adopted 3/11/11): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Environment and Communications Legislation Committee; report presented out of sitting 24/2/12 and tabled 27/2/12

Committee amendments: 6 Govt/passed

Committee requests for amendments: 2 Govt/passed

[House made Senate requests for amendments 20/3/12; House agreed to Senate amendments 21/3/12]

Assent: 16/4/12; Act No. 43, 2012

Tobacco Advertising Prohibition Amendment Bill 2010

(Act citation: *Tobacco Advertising Prohibition Amendment Act 2012*)

House of Representatives: Intro. 17/11/10; Passed 22/3/11

SC report no. 7 (tabled 17/11/10): No reference

Senate: Intro. 23/3/11; Passed 8/2/12

SBC report 15/10 (tabled and adopted 26/11/10): No reference

Assent: 6/3/12; Act No. 5, 2012

Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards Amendment (Scheme Enhancements) Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 23/5/12; Passed 19/6/12

SC report no. 53 (tabled 24/5/12): Bill referred to House Climate Change, Environment and the Arts Committee; statement made discharging committee's requirement to present a report 18/6/12

Senate: Intro. 20/6/12; Passed 26/6/12

SBC report 6/12 (tabled and adopted 19/6/12): No reference

Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012

House of Representatives: Intro. 21/3/12; 2nd reading adjourned 21/3/12

SC report no. 49 (tabled 22/3/12): Bill referred to House Agriculture, Resources, Fisheries and Forestry Committee; report tabled 18/6/12

Senate:

SBC report 4/12 (tabled and adopted 22/3/12): Provisions of bill referred to Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee; extension of time to report 18/6/12; report tabled 25/6/12