

Senate Daily Summary

Thursday, 20 June 2013

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.43 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- Australian Education (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [passed by the House of Representatives on 19 June 2013] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Banking Amendment (Unclaimed Money) Bill 2013 [passed by the House of Representatives on 19 June 2013] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Fair Trade (Workers' Rights) Bill 2013 [private senator's bill]
- □ Regulatory Powers (Standard Provisions) Bill 2013 [passed by the House of Representatives on 18 June 2013] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Sugar Research and Development Services Bill 2013 and related bills [passed by the House of Representatives on 19 June 2013] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Voice for Animals (Independent Office of Animal Welfare) Bill 2013 [No. 2] [private senator's bill]

The following bills were debated

- □ Aged Care (Living Longer Living Better) Bill 2013 and related bills [first speaker]
- □ Broadcasting Services Amendment (Advertising for Sports Betting) Bill 2013 [first speaker]

The following bill was defeated

□ Marriage Act Amendment (Recognition of Foreign Marriages for Same-Sex Couples) Bill 2013–defeated at second reading [first speaker]

The following bills were passed

- □ Aboriginal Land Rights and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Australian Citizenship Amendment (Special Residence Requirements)
 Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]

- □ Corporations and Financial Sector Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Court Security Bill 2013
 - Court Security (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [These bills will now be assented to]
- □ Customs Tariff Amendment (Incorporation of Proposals) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ DisabilityCare Australia Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- ☐ Insurance Contracts Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ International Interests in Mobile Equipment (Cape Town Convention) Bill 2013

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 (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [These bills will now be assented to]
- □ International Monetary Agreements Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ International Organisations (Privileges and Immunities) Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- ☐ Military Justice (Interim Measures) Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ National Measurement Amendment Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Parliamentary Service Amendment (Parliamentary Budget Officer) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Social Security Legislation Amendment (Disaster Recovery Allowance) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Statute Law Revision Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Statute Stocktake (Appropriations) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy) Bill 2013 [first speaker] [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards (Registration Fees) Bill 2013
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 [first speaker] [These bills will now be assented to]

Private senators' bills to be debated

On <u>22 November 2010</u> the Senate agreed to a temporary order allowing private senators' bills to be considered on Thursdays. On 27 June 2013 the following bills are scheduled for debate:

- □ Migration Amendment (Reinstatement of Temporary Protection Visas) Bill 2013 [No. 2] [homepage]
- □ Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Towards Transparency) Bill 2012 [homepage]

Notice of motion

To vary the hours of meeting and routine of business

A <u>notice</u> was given by the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) to vary the hours of meeting and routine of business for the sitting week commencing 24 June 2013 to enable the consideration and passage of legislation

Committees

Scheduled <u>public committee hearings</u> <u>Committee reports</u>

New inquiries

Selection of Bills Committee report

The Senate adopted <u>report no. 7 of 2013</u> of the Selection of Bills Committee, and made the following reference:

□ Telecommunications Amendment (Get a Warrant) Bill 2013–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 31 October 2013

Other reference

□ Performance of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission–Economics References Committee–to report by 31 March 2014

Reporting dates extended

The Senate extended reporting dates for the following inquiries:

- □ Environment and Communications References Committee–Protection of Australia's threatened species and ecological communities—to report by 4 July 2013
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–Biosecurity Bill 2012 [2013] and a related bill–to report by 27 November 2013
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–Sports science in Australia–to report by 10 July 2013

Report tabled

□ Value of a justice reinvestment approach to criminal justice in Australia–Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee [report] [a motion to take note of the report was debated – first speaker]

Committee documents tabled

- □ Delegated legislation monitor <u>no. 6 of 2013</u>—Regulations and Ordinances Committee
- □ 5th report: Social Security Legislation Amendment (Fair Incentives to Work) Act 2012—Additional information—Human Rights Joint Committee

Government responses tabled

- □ Community Affairs Legislation Committee–Aged Care (Living Longer Living Better) Bill 2013 and related bills
- □ Electricity Prices Select Committee–Reducing energy bills and improving efficiency
- □ Environment and Communications References Committee—Operation of the South Australian and Northern Territory container deposit schemes
- □ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee–More than just talk: Australia's human rights dialogues with China and Vietnam
- □ Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–Regulatory Powers (Standard Provisions) Bill 2012
- □ National Broadband Network Joint Committee–Fourth report: review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network

Membership

- □ The Senate agreed to <u>changes</u> to the membership of a committee
- □ A <u>message</u> was reported from the House of Representatives notifying the appointment of members to the DisabilityCare Australia Joint Select Committee

Notice of motion

Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne) gave a <u>notice of motion</u> to amend standing order 18 relating to the membership composition of the Standing Committee of Privileges

Documents

Delegated legislation

See <u>Disallowance Alert</u> for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

□ <u>Clerk's documents</u> were tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

Documents tabled

□ Auditor-General—Audit report nos 49 and 50 of 2012-13

Ministerial statement tabled

The Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy) tabled a ministerial statement relating to Afghanistan

Documents discussed

Government documents, committee reports and government responses to committee reports were discussed

Other business

Questions without notice—<u>first question</u> Adjournment debate—<u>first speaker</u>

Death of former senator

The Deputy President informed the Senate of the death, on 18 June 2013, of Jean Isobelle Melzer, OAM, senator for the state of Victoria from 1974 to 1981. A motion of condolence moved by the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) was carried [first speaker]

Motions agreed to

- □ <u>Approval of works within the Parliamentary Zone</u>—moved by the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins)
- □ <u>Bahrain</u>—moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne)
- □ Small Pelagic Fishery—moved by Senators Whish-Wilson and Thorp
- □ World Refugee Day 2013—moved by Senator Hanson-Young

Motions negatived

- □ <u>Asylum seekers</u>—moved by Senator Hanson-Young
- □ National parks—moved by Senator Waters
- □ Protection of nationally important wilderness places—moved by Senator Waters

Motion debated

□ Border protection—moved by Senator Fifield [first speaker]

Notices of motion

Notices of motion given today are available in the Senate Journals

Statistics

Statistics on the work of the Senate this week will be available in the <u>Statistical Summary</u>, which forms part of <u>StatsNet</u>—the Department of the Senate's online statistical collection

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