

Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 24 March 2014

The Senate met from 10 am until 10.28 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bill was introduced

Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 20 March 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]

The following bill was debated

Minerals Resource Rent Tax Repeal and Other Measures Bill 2013–second reading debate continued [first speaker]–1 Australian Greens second reading amendment pending

Private senators' bills to be debated

On 14 November 2013 the Senate agreed to a temporary order allowing private senators' bills to be considered on Thursdays. On 27 March 2014 the Privacy Amendment (Privacy Alerts) Bill 2014 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Bill 2014 are scheduled for debate

Notice of motion

To introduce a private senator's bill

Save Our Sharks Bill 2014-notice given by Senator Siewert

[See committees for details of reports on legislation]

Committees

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

Reports tabled

□ Land Transport Infrastructure Amendment Bill 2014–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee [report]

□ Qantas Sale Amendment Bill 2014–Economics Legislation Committee [report]

Notices of motion

To extend reporting deadlines

- □ Economics Legislation Committee–Reserve Bank Amendment (Australian Reconstruction and Development Board) Bill 2013–to report by 25 June 2014
- □ Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2013–to report by 29 May 2014

To hold meeting when the Senate is sitting

Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee-on 15 May 2014 from 10.30 amprivate briefing

New inquiry

The Senate agreed to a <u>motion</u> to refer to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee a matter relating to illegal fishing—to report by 15 May 2014

Membership

The Senate <u>agreed to changes</u> to the committee membership of the Economics References Committee

Documents

Delegated legislation

See Disallowance Alert 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]

Disallowance motions

Notices of motion to disallow

Senator Farrell gave notices of motion to disallow the following regulations:

- □ *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*—Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act Education and Training Scheme (Income Support Bonus) Repeal Determination 2014, made under subsections 258(4) and (5) of the Act [F2014L00256]
- □ *Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986*—Veterans' Children Education Scheme (Income Support Bonus) Repeal Instrument 2014, made under subsections 117(2) and (3) of the Act [F2014L00257]

Orders for the production of documents

Documents tabled

A <u>document</u> was tabled relating to the Heads of Agreement on National Education Reform [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 17 March 2014]

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The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham) tabled a <u>document</u> relating to the economic review of South Australia and Victoria [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 20 March 2014] [a motion to take note of the document was debated – <u>first speaker</u>]

Notice of motion

Senator Carr gave a notice of motion requiring the Minister for Employment to table documents relating to draft labour market growth rate projections—no later than 10 am on 26 March 2014

Orders with continuing effect

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

<u>Statements of compliance</u> for various portfolios were tabled [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies are <u>required to be tabled</u> twice a year]

Ministerial statement

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education (Senator Ryan) tabled a ministerial statement on the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women [a motion to take note of the statement was debated and agreed to – first speaker]

Document tabled

A response to a Senate resolution about the shark cull in Western Australia from the Minister for the Environment (Mr Hunt) was tabled [resolution agreed to on 4 March 2014] [a motion to take note of the response was agreed to]

Other business

Questions without notice and issues arising during question time-<u>first question</u> Adjournment debate-<u>first speaker</u>

Matter of public importance discussed

Finance–National Commission of Audit–proposed by Senator Moore [first speaker]

Notices of motion

Notices of motion given today are available in the Senate Journals

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