Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 16 June 2014

The Senate met from 10 am until 10.29 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills introduced

The following bills were introduced

- □ Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Removing Re-approval and Re-registration) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 27 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Australian National Preventive Health Agency (Abolition) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 3 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Energy Efficiency Opportunities (Repeal) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 3 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Cost Recovery) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 28 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Export Inspection (Establishment Registration Charges) Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 28 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Export Inspection (Quantity Charge) Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 28 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Export Inspection (Service Charge) Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 28 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Export Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 28 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Health Workforce Australia (Abolition) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Migration Amendment (Offshore Resources Activity) Repeal Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 26 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]

- □ Paid Parental Leave Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 2 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 5 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Railway Agreement (Western Australia) Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 27 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Student Identifiers Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 5 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 2) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 3) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (Implementation of the FATCA Agreement) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Textile, Clothing and Footwear Investment and Innovation Programs Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 5 June 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Mental Health and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 29 May 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]

Bills introduced and debated

The following bills were introduced and debated

Tax Laws Amendment (Temporary Budget Repair Levy) Bill 2014 and 14 related bills [bills passed by the House of Representatives on 28 May 2014]—second reading agreed to [first speaker] and AG second reading amendment negatived—committee of the whole to commence

Bills considered

The following bill was debated and passed

Social Security Legislation Amendment (Increased Employment Participation) Bill 2014–2 Opposition amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

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 19 June 2014 the Privacy Amendment (Privacy Alerts) Bill 2014 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Bill 2014 are scheduled for debate

Bills assented to

Assent to a number of laws was reported in the Senate

Notice of motion to introduce a private senator's bill

Migration Amendment (Protecting Babies Born in Australia) Bill 2014–notice given by Senator Hanson-Young

[See committees for details of reports on legislation]

Committees

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

Reports tabled

Reports on legislation

- □ Community Affairs Legislation Committee–Health Insurance Amendment (Extended Medicare Safety Net) Bill 2014 [report]
- □ Economics Legislation Committee—
 - Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (Repeal) (No. 1) Bill 2014 [report]
 - Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency Repeal Bill 2014 [report]
 - Corporations Amendment (Streamlining of Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2014 [report]
 - Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2014 and the Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2014 [report can be found on page 856 of the Senate Journals]
 - Tax Laws Amendment (Temporary Budget Repair Levy) Bill 2014 and 14 related bills [report]
 - Trade Support Loans Bill 2014 and the Trade Support Loans (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014 [report]
- Education and Employment Legislation Committee—
 - Fair Work Amendment Bill 2014 [report]
 - Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Child Care Measures) Bill 2014
 [report]
 - Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Amendment Bill 2014
 [report]
- □ Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee—
 - Asset Recycling Fund Bill 2014 and the Asset Recycling Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014 [report]
 - Flags Amendment Bill 2014 [report]
 - Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment Bill 2014
 [report]
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
 - Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Classification Tools and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [interim report - reporting date for the final report set for 27 August 2014]
 - Crimes Legislation Amendment (Unexplained Wealth and Other Measures)
 Bill 2014 [report]

- Criminal Code Amendment (Harming Australians) Bill 2013 [interim report reporting date for the final report set for 4 December 2014]
- Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2013
 [interim report reporting date for the final report set for 4 December 2014]
- Independent National Security Legislation Monitor Repeal Bill 2014 [interim report reporting date for the final report set for 19 August 2014]
- Migration Amendment (Offshore Resources Activity) Repeal Bill 2014
 [report]
- Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014 [interim report reporting date for the final report set for 21 August 2014]
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Removing Re-approval and Re-registration) Bill 2014 [report]

Other reports

- □ 56th report—Standing Committee on Appropriations and Staffing [report]
- □ Northern Australia Joint Select Committee [interim report] [a motion was moved to take note of the report first speaker]
- □ Performance of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission— Economics References Committee [interim report – reporting date for the final report set for 26 June 2014]

Committee documents tabled

Public interest immunity claim-Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee-Additional information

Meetings during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate <u>authorised</u> the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade to hold public meetings while the Senate is sitting on 16 June, 17 June, 23 June and 24 June 2014

Reporting dates extended

The Senate extended reporting dates for the following inquiries:

- □ Environment and Communications References Committee–Environmental offsets–to report by 25 June 2014
- □ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–Trade and Foreign Investment (Protecting the Public Interest) Bill 2014–to report by 27 August 2014

Notices of motion

To establish a select committee

Abbott Government's Budget Cuts Select Committee-to report by 20 June 2016-notice given by Senator Di Natale

To extend reporting deadlines

- □ Community Affairs Legislation Committee–2014-15 Budget estimates–to report by 26 June 2014
- □ Community Affairs References Committee—
 - Australia's healthcare system—to report by 8 August 2014
 - Speech pathology services—to report by 15 July 2014
- □ Economics Legislation Committee—
 - Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2014—to report by 28 August 2014
 - Reserve Bank Amendment (Australian Reconstruction and Development Board) Bill 2013-to report by 28 August 2014
- □ Economics References Committee–Affordable housing–to report by 27 November 2014
- □ Education and Employment References Committee—
 - Delivery of quality and affordable early childhood education and care services—to report by 15 July 2014
 - Immediate future of the childcare sector in Australia—to report by 15 July 2014

To hold meetings when the Senate is sitting

- □ Community Affairs Legislation Committee—on 19 June 2014 from 4.30 pm—public hearing
- □ Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Joint Select Committee—on 25 June 2014 from 10.30 am—private meeting
- □ Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee—on 14 July 2014 from 11.30 am—private meeting
- □ Environment and Communications References Committee—on 18 June 2014 from 1 pm—public meeting
- □ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee–on 18 June, 14 July and 16 July 2014–public meetings
- □ Migration Joint Committee—on 18 June, 25 June and 16 July 2014 from 9.30 am—public meetings
- □ National Capital and External Territories Joint Committee—on 19 June and 26 June 2014—private meetings, followed by public meetings

To refer matters to committees

- □ Community Affairs References Committee–Income inequality–to report by 26 November 2014–notice given by Senator Siewert
- □ Education and Employment References Committee–Portable long service leave—to report by 27 November 2014–notice given by Senator Rhiannon

Membership

The Senate agreed to various changes to committee membership

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]

Disallowance motions

Motions to disallow

- □ The Senate did not agree to a motion to disallow the Export Market Development Grants (Extended Lodgement and Consultant Quality Incentive) Determination [first speaker]
- □ The Senate commenced debate on a motion to disallow the Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Export of Live-stock to Egypt) Repeal Order 2014 [first speaker]

Notice of intention to amend

Senator Wright gave a notice of intention to amend a notice relating to the disallowance of the Bankruptcy Amendment (2014 Measures No. 1) Regulation 2014

Orders for the production of documents

Documents tabled

The following documents were tabled in response to orders of the Senate:

- □ Administration—Livestock Shipping Services [The documents were tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 14 May 2014]
- □ Social issues—Homelessness [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 15 May 2014]

Motion agreed to

The Senate <u>ordered</u> the Minister representing the Assistant Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development to table documents relating to the East West Link project—prior to the consideration of the 2014-15 budget bills, and no later than 7 July 2014

Motion defeated

The Senate did not agree to a <u>motion</u> requiring the Minister representing the Treasurer to table documents relating to Note Printing Australia [a statement was made]

Notices of motion

Senator Wright gave a notice of motion requiring the Minister for Education to table the preliminary report of the review of the Australian Curriculum—no later than 24 June 2014

Orders with continuing effect

Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies

<u>Letters of advice</u> for various portfolios were tabled [Lists of appointments made and existing vacancies are <u>required to be tabled</u> 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

Departmental and agency grants

<u>Letters of advice</u> for various portfolios were tabled [Lists of all grants approved are <u>required to be tabled</u> 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

Documents tabled

- □ Auditor-General–Audit reports nos 32 to 40 of 2013-14
- □ Australian parliamentary delegation to the Philippines, Malaysia and Brunei, 30 March to 10 April 2014
- □ Correspondence from the Legislative Assembly of Queensland relating to a resolution to lower the cost of living for Queenslanders
- □ Government document
- □ Responses to Senate resolutions about—
 - Detention of people with cognitive impairment—from the Attorney-General (Senator Brandis) [resolution agreed to on 26 March 2014]] [a motion to take note of the response was agreed to]
 - Development assistance in the Pacific region—from the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Ms Bishop) [resolution agreed to on 18 March 2014]
 - Mr Sombath Somphone—from the Ambassador of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, His Excellency Mr Phomma Khammanichanh [resolution agreed to on 26 March 2014]
 - National Close the Gap Day–from the NSW Minister for Health (Ms Skinner) and the Premier of Tasmania (Mr Hodgman) [resolution agreed to on 20 March 2014]
 [a motion to take note of the responses was agreed to]
 - Northern beef cattle industry—from the Minister for Agriculture (Mr Joyce) [resolution agreed to on 20 March 2014] [a motion to take note of the response was agreed to]
 - Western Australia shark cull—from the Minister for the Environment (Mr Hunt) [resolution agreed to on 14 May 2014] [a motion to take note of the response was agreed to first speaker]

Other business

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

Matter of public importance discussed

Budget 2014-15—proposed by Senator Moore [first speaker]

Motions agreed to

- Education—<u>Higher education funding</u>—moved by Senator Rhiannon [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- □ Foreign affairs—Holy See—moved by Senator Stephens

Motion negatived

Environment-Queensland-Industrial development-moved by Senator Waters

Notices of motion

Notices of motion given today are available in the Senate Journals

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