



Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 2 September 2014

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 9.26 pm

Senators

[Senator Lazarus](#) gave his first speech

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills introduced

The following bills were introduced

- ❑ Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Repeal) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 1 September 2014] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]
- ❑ Corporations Amendment (Financial Advice) Bill 2014 [[private senator's bill](#)]
- ❑ Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 1 September 2014] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]

Bills considered

The following bill was debated

Social Security Legislation Amendment (Stronger Penalties for Serious Failures) Bill 2014—second reading debate continued [[first speaker](#)]

The following bill was debated and passed

Minerals Resource Rent Tax Repeal and Other Measures Bill 2014 [the bill was considered under a [limitation of debate](#)—13 Government amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

Committees

[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)

[Committee reports](#)

Reports tabled

- Community Affairs References Committee–[Final report](#)–Prevalence of different types of speech, language and communication disorders and speech pathology services in Australia [a motion to take note of the report was debated – [first speaker](#)]
- Human Rights Joint Committee–[11th report](#) of the 44th Parliament [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to – [first speaker](#)]
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–Report–Crimes Legislation Amendment (Psychoactive Substances and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [[report](#)]
- Public Works Joint Committee–[Report no. 5 of 2014](#) – Referrals made June 2014

Leave for committees to meet, and reporting dates extended

The Senate agreed to motions authorising committees to meet while the Senate is sitting, and extended reporting dates for inquiries [Journals entries nos [11](#), [12](#), [13](#) and [14](#) refer]

New inquiry

[Agricultural levies](#)–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–to report by 24 November 2014

Notices of motion

To establish a select committee

Certain Aspects of Queensland Government Administration related to Commonwealth Government Affairs Select Committee–to report by 31 March 2015–notice given by the Leader of the Palmer United Party (Senator Lazarus)

To extend reporting deadlines

Community Affairs Legislation Committee–Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2014 and the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 2) Bill 2014–to report 10 September 2014

To refer a matter to a committee

Australia’s transport energy resilience and sustainability–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–to report by the last sitting day in March 2015–moved by Senators Madigan, Muir, Xenophon, Lambie, Bullock, Canavan, Heffernan

Membership

The Senate agreed to [vary the membership](#) of the Select Committee on Health

Documents

Delegated legislation

See [Disallowance Alert](#) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

[Clerk's documents](#) were tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

Orders for the production of documents

Orders with continuing effect

Departmental and agency contracts published on the Internet

[A letter of advice](#) for the Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio was tabled [Letters of advice about certain contracts valued at \$100 000 or more entered into by departments and agencies are required to be tabled twice a year]

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

[A statement of compliance](#) for the Employment portfolio was tabled [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies are [required to be tabled](#) twice a year]

Documents tabled

[Government documents](#)

Other business

[Questions without notice and issues arising during question time—first question](#)
[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

Matter of public importance discussed

Health—[Healthcare costs](#)—proposed by Senator Moore [[first speaker](#)]

Motions agreed to

- Environment—[Renewable energy projects in South Australia](#)—moved by Senator Hanson-Young [a [statement](#) was made]
- Environment—Western Australia—[Carnaby's Cockatoo](#)—moved by Senators Siewert and Ludlam [a [statement](#) was made]
- Industrial relations—[Child labour](#)—moved by Senator Rice

Statement by President

The President [made](#) a statement relating to remarks made by Senator Waters concerning the Premier of Queensland (Mr Newman) during debate on the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bilateral Agreement Implementation) Bill 2014 on 1 September 2014

Suspension of standing orders

The Senate agreed to a [motion](#) moved by the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) to suspend standing orders to enable debate on a motion to vary the routine of business [[first speaker](#)]

Notices of motion

[Notices of motion](#) given today are available in the Senate Journals



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