



Senate Daily Summary

Wednesday, 24 September 2014

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.25 pm

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills introduced

The following bill was introduced

Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (Foreign Fighters) Bill 2014–
[[Senate bill](#)] [Minister's second reading [speech](#)] [[statements](#) were made]

Bills considered

The following bill was debated

National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014—second reading agreed to [[first speaker](#)] and Senator Xenophon second reading amendment [negatived](#)—committee of the whole commenced [amendments remain to be considered]

[Notices of motion](#)

To introduce a government bill

National Water Commission (Abolition) Bill 2014—notice given by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham)

To introduce a private senator's bill

Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2014—notice given by Senators Day, Bernardi and Leyonhjelm

To vary the hours of meeting and routine of business

The Attorney-General (Senator Brandis) gave a notice of motion to vary the hours of meeting and routine of business for 25 September 2014 to enable the National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014 to be considered

Committees

[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)

[Committee reports](#)

Reports and documents tabled

- Environment and Communications Legislation Committee—Performance, importance and role of Australia Post in Australian communities and its operations in relation to licensed post offices [[report](#)] [a motion to take note of the report was debated – [first speaker](#)]
- Human Rights Joint Committee—12th report of the 44th Parliament [[report](#)] [a motion to take note of the report was [agreed](#) to]
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Customs Amendment (Korea-Australia) Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2014 and a related bill [[report](#)]
- Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee—
 - Executive minutes of various reports
 - [Report no. 444](#)—Annual report 2013-14
 - [Report no. 445](#)—Regional Cities Program, KPIs and Medicare: Review of Auditor-General’s reports nos 10-31 (2013-14)
- Regulations and Ordinances Committee—Delegated legislation [monitor](#) no. 12 of 2014
- Scrutiny of Bills Committee—Alert Digest [No. 12 of 2014](#) and [12th report of 2014](#)
- Treaties Joint Standing Committee—143rd report – Treaties tabled on 17 June and 15 July 2014 [[report](#)] [a motion to take note of the report was [agreed](#) to]

Procedure Committee

The Senate agreed to certain recommendations made in the Third report of 2014 of the Procedure Committee [[statements](#) were made – Journals entries [13](#), [14](#), [15](#) and [16](#) refer]

[Notices of motion](#)

To hold meetings when the Senate is sitting

- Economics Legislation Committee—2 October 2014—public meeting, from 9.30 am to noon
- Economics References Committee—30 September 2014—public meeting, from 4 pm to 10 pm
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—30 September 2014—private meeting
- Health Select Committee—30 September 2014, 1 October 2014 and 2 October 2014—public meetings

Membership

The Senate [agreed](#) to vary the membership of committees

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

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

Statements of compliance for various portfolios were [tabled](#) [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies are [required to be tabled](#) twice a year]

Notice of motion

Senator Rice gave a [notice of motion](#) requiring the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development to table documents held or prepared by Infrastructure Australia related to the East West link project—no later than 4 pm on 2 October 2014

Ministerial statement

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education (Senator Ryan) [tabled](#) a ministerial statement on investment

Disallowance motions

Motion to disallow defeated

The Senate did not agree to a motion which would have disallowed the Fair Work Amendment (Protected Industrial Action) Regulation 2014, made under the *Fair Work Act 2009* [[F2014L00881](#)] [[first speaker](#)]

Notices of motion withdrawn

Senator Leyonhjelm [withdrew](#) notices to disallow regulations relating to primary industries

Notices of motion

The Chair of the Regulations and Ordinances Committee (Senator Williams) gave a [notice of motion](#) to disallow the Corporations Amendment (Streamlining Future of Financial Advice) Regulation 2014 [[F2014L00891](#)]

Documents tabled

- [1 petition](#)
- Auditor-General–Australian National Audit Office – [Annual report for 2013-14](#)
- [Government documents](#)
- Responses to Senate resolutions about:
 - [Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation](#)–from the Minister for Industry (Mr Macfarlane) [resolution agreed to on 1 September 2014] [a motion to take note of the document was [debated](#)]
 - [Marrakesh Treaty](#)–from the Attorney-General (Senator Brandis) [resolution agreed to on 23 June 2014]
 - [Schools funding](#)–from the Minister for Education (Mr Pyne) [resolution agreed to on 14 July 2014] [a motion to take note of the document was debated – [first speaker](#)]

Other business

[Questions without notice and issues arising during question time–first question](#)

[Matters of public interest debate–first speaker](#)

[Adjournment debate–first speaker](#)

Matter of public importance discussed

Industry–Australian shipbuilding industry–proposed by Senator Moore [[first speaker](#)]

Motions agreed to

- Education–[School funding](#)–moved by Senator Wright
- Environment–[Whaling–Japan](#)–moved by Senator Whish-Wilson
- Foreign affairs–[Middle East–Humanitarian assistance](#)–moved by Senator Hanson-Young

Motions negated

Transport–Victoria–[East West Link](#)–moved by Senator Rice [[statements](#) were made]

Notices of motion

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



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