

Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 23 February 2016

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 9.53 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bill was debated

Tax Laws Amendment (Implementation of the Common Reporting Standard) Bill 2015 [second reading - <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>committee of the whole commenced</u> [Govt and Opp amendments to be determined]

The following bills were debated and passed

- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Radio) Bill 2015 [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—bill passed without amendments
- Crimes Legislation Amendment (Proceeds of Crime and Other Measures) Bill 2015– bill passed without amendments

Bills exempted

- Dairy Produce Amendment (Dairy Service Levy Poll) Bill 2016
- Narcotic Drugs Amendment Bill 2016
- Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment Bill 2016
- Parliamentary Entitlements Amendment (Injury Compensation Scheme) Bill 2016
- Tax Laws Amendment (Small Business Restructure Roll-over) Bill 2016

Bills introduced

- Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment Bill 2016 [passed by the House of Representatives 23 February 2016] [Minister's second reading speech]
- Tax Laws Amendment (Small Business Restructure Roll-over) Bill 2016 [passed by the House of Representatives 22 February 2016] [Minister's second reading speech]

Private senators' bills to be debated

On Thursday, 25 February 2016, the Migration Amendment (Protecting Babies Born in Australia) Bill 2014 [homepage] and Veterans' Entitlements Amendment (Expanded Gold Card Access) Bill 2015 [homepage] are scheduled for debate

Committees

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

Reports and documents tabled

- Law Enforcement Joint Committee–Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2013-14–Response to report
- Northern Australia Joint Select Committee—Scaling up: Inquiry into opportunities for expanding aquaculture in Northern Australia [report] [a motion to take note of the report was debated – first speaker]
- Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee
 - o 449th report–Response to report
 - o <u>454th report</u> and <u>455th report</u>
- Public Works Joint Committee—<u>1st report of 2016</u> and 2nd report of 2016
- Treaties Joint Committee–158th report

Direction to meet

The Senate <u>agreed</u> to a motion that the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee meet to further consider the 2015-16 additional estimates for the Department of Defence

Meetings during the sittings of the Senate

The Senate authorised meetings of committees to be held while the Senate is sitting

Membership

The Senate agreed to vary the membership of committees

Notices of motion

To establish a select committee

National Integrity Commission Select Committee—to report by 22 September 2016—notice given by Senators Wang and Madigan

To refer matters to committees

- Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Bill 2016–Electoral Matters Joint Committee– to report by 12 May 2016–notice given by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
- Discrimination against people with intersex variations in Australian schools– Education and Employment References Committee–to report by 20 June 2016– notice given by Senator Simms
- Sports anti-doping framework–Education and Employment References Committee to report by 30 June 2016—notice given by Senators Leyonhjelm, Lambie, Muir, Madigan and Wang, the Leader of the Glenn Lazarus Team (Senator Lazarus) and Senators Day and Xenophon

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

Motion to disallow defeated

The Senate did not agree to a <u>motion</u> which would have disallowed the Social Security (Administration) (Trial Area – Ceduna and Surrounding Region) Determination 2015 [<u>first</u> speaker]

Orders for the production of documents

Failure to provide documents

Senator Xenophon <u>asked</u> the Minister for Defence (Senator Payne) for an explanation of the minister's failure to comply with the Senate order on the submarines tender process (agreed to on 17 November 2014). Senator Payne provided an <u>explanation</u>. A motion moved by Senator Xenophon to take note of the explanation was debated and agreed to [first speaker]

Notices of motion

- Senator Waters gave a notice of motion requiring the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science to table documents relating to the restructuring of the CSIRO Oceans and Atmosphere division—no later than 9 am on 3 March 2016
- The Leader of the Glenn Lazarus Team (Senator Lazarus) gave a notice of motion requiring each minister to table documents relating to the outsourcing of work by Government departments and their agencies to foreign businesses—no later than 4 pm on 12 May 2016

Orders with continuing effect

Entity contracts

<u>A letter of advice</u> was tabled [Lists of all grants approved are required to be tabled 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

<u>A statement of compliance</u> was tabled [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies are required to be tabled twice a year]

Document tabled [and considered – first speaker]

Petition

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

Senate-<u>Electoral law changes</u>-proposed by Senator Day [first speaker]

Motions agreed to

- Family and community services—Poker machine leasing—moved by Senator Lambie
- Primary industries—<u>Queensland meat industry</u>—moved by Senator Lazarus [statements were made – <u>first speaker</u>]
- Regional Australia—<u>Tasmania—Bushfires</u>—moved by Senator Bilyk [a <u>statement</u> was made]

Motion denied formality

Foreign affairs—<u>Iran and North Korea—Nuclear programs</u>—moved Senator Lambie [statements were made – first speaker]

Motions negatived

- Communications-Digital encryption technologies-moved by Senator Ludlam
- Education—<u>Safe Schools Coalition Australia Programme</u>—moved by Senators Lindgren and Bernardi [statements were made – <u>first speaker</u>]

Notices of motion

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