

# **Senate Daily Summary**

Wednesday, 4 May 2016

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 9.19 pm

# **Budget 2016-17**

Budget Papers, Portfolio Budget Statements and related sites

The <u>Leader of the Australian Greens</u> (Senator Di Natale) and <u>Senator Lambie</u> responded to the Budget statement and documents

# Legislation

Bills and related documents

#### Bills assented to

Assents to laws were reported in the Senate

#### **Bills considered**

The following bills were debated and passed

- Australian Crime Commission Amendment (National Policing Information) Bill 2015 and Australian Crime Commission (National Policing Information Charges) Bill 2015 [second reading - <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bills agreed to without amendments</u>
- Financial System Legislation Amendment (Resilience and Collateral Protection) Bill 2016 [second reading – <u>first speaker</u>]—bill agreed to without amendments
- National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment Bill 2016 [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bill agreed to without amendments</u>
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2015 [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bill agreed to with 1 AG amendment</u> [the House of Representatives considered and agreed to the amendment made by the Senate]
- Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2016 Measures No. 1) Bill 2016 [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bill agreed to with Government amendments</u> [the House of Representatives considered and agreed to the amendments made by the Senate]
- Tax Laws Amendment (New Tax System for Managed Investment Trusts) Bill 2015, Income Tax Rates Amendment (Managed Investment Trusts) Bill 2015, Medicare Levy Amendment (Attribution Managed Investment Trusts) Bill 2015 and Income Tax (Attribution Managed Investment Trusts—Offsets) Bill 2015 [second reading first speaker]—bills agreed to without amendments
- Tax Laws Amendment (Tax Incentives for Innovation) Bill 2016 [second reading first speaker]—bill agreed to without amendments

#### **Bill introduced**

National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016 [passed by the House of Representatives 3 May 2016] [Minister's second reading speech]

# **Messages** reported

Agreeing to amendments made by the Senate–Omnibus Repeal Day (Autumn 2015) Bill 2015, Social Services Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2015 and Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2016 Measures No. 1) Bill 2016

# **Committees**

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

#### **Estimates**

Additional information received relating to estimates hearings was tabled

# Reports and government response tabled

- Community Affairs References Committee—Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients [interim report] [a motion to take note of the report was debated – first speaker]
- Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee—
  - Examination of the 2014-2015 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act [report]
  - Impairment of customer loans [report] [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to – <u>first speaker</u>]
- Economics References Committee
  - Non-conforming building products: Safety—'not a matter of good luck' [interim report]
  - Personal choice and community impacts [<u>interim report</u>], Sale and use of marijuana and associated products (term of reference c) [<u>interim report</u>], Bicycle helmet laws (term of reference d) [<u>interim report</u>], Western Sydney Wanderers supporters (term of reference f) [<u>interim report</u>]
- Finance and Public Administration References Committee—
  - Commonwealth legislative provisions relating to oversight of associated entities of political parties [report]
  - Outcomes of the 42nd meeting of the Council of Australian Governments held on 1 April 2016 [report]
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee–Australia's trade and investment relationships with countries of the Middle East [report]
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—
  - Delivery and effectiveness of Australia's bilateral aid program in Papua New Guinea [report]
  - Firefighting foam contamination: Part B Army Aviation Centre Oakey and other
     Commonwealth, state and territory sites [report]
  - Partial suspension of sanctions against Iran [report]

- Health Select Committee

  Big health data: Australia's big potential [sixth interim report]
- Human Rights Joint Committee-
  - 2013-14 annual <u>report</u>
  - 38th <u>report</u> of 44th Parliament [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to <u>– first speaker</u>]
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—
  - Impact of the 2014 and 2015 Commonwealth Budget decisions on the arts– Response to report
  - Payment of cash or other inducements by the Commonwealth of Australia in exchange for the turn back of asylum seeker boats [interim report]
- National Broadband Network Select Committee [final report]
- Privileges Committee–162nd <u>report</u>–Possible false or misleading evidence given to the former Nauru select committee [a <u>motion</u> to adopt a recommendation contained in the report was agreed to]
- Public Accounts and Audit—Draft estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office for 2016-17 [statement]
- Publications Committee [24th <u>report</u>]
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–Effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector [interim report] [reporting date extended to 20 December 2016]
- Treaties Joint Committee–161st report, and 162nd report
- Unconventional Gas Mining Select Committee [interim report] [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to <u>first speaker</u>]

# **New inquiry**

<u>Privileges Committee</u>—Senator Sinodinos declining to appear before the Finance and Public Administration References Committee on its inquiry into Commonwealth legislative provisions relating to oversight of associated political entities [a <u>statement</u> was made]

# **Proposed reference**

The Senate did not agree to refer a matter to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee relating to Australian veterans [a <u>statement</u> was made] [Journals entries nos <u>19</u> and <u>23</u> refer]

# **Documents**

### **Delegated legislation**

See <u>Disallowance Alert</u> for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

Clerk's documents were tabled [Journals entries nos  $\underline{2}$  and  $\underline{42}$  refer] [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

#### **Disallowance motion**

#### Proposed disallowance motion

The Senate <u>continued debate</u> on a <u>motion</u> to disallow the Social Security (Administration) (Trial Area – East Kimberley) Determination 2016, made under subsections 124PD(2) and 124PG(1) of the *Social Security (Administration) Act 1999* [F2016L00307]—matter to be determined

# Orders for the production of documents

#### Documents tabled

- <u>Document</u> relating to diagnostic imaging and pathology services [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to 3 May 2016] [statements were made – first speaker]
- <u>Document</u> relating to funding of hospitals in regional Victoria [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 3 May 2016]
- <u>Document</u> relating to unanswered questions on notice for the 2015-16 additional estimates [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to 3 May 2016]

#### Orders with continuing effect

#### Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies

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

#### Departmental and agency grants

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

#### **Documents tabled**

- Delegation reports—
  - Australian parliamentary delegation to <u>Japan and the Republic of Korea</u>
     [a <u>motion</u> to take note of the report was agreed to]
  - Australian parliamentary delegation to the <u>134th Inter-Parliamentary Union</u> <u>Assembly</u> held in Zambia [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to – <u>first speaker</u>]
- Petitioning documents relating to the human impact of coal seam gas mining

# **Other business**

Senators' statements –  $\underline{\text{first speaker}}$ Questions without notice and issues arising during question time –  $\underline{\text{first question}}$ Adjournment debate –  $\underline{\text{first speaker}}$ 

### Matter of public importance discussed

Budget 2016-17-proposed by Senator Moore [first speaker]

# Motions agreed to

- Administration—<u>2016 federal election—Use of Australian paper</u>—moved by Senators Xenophon, Madigan, Muir, Lambie and the Leader of the Glenn Lazarus Team (Senator Lazarus) [statements were made – first speaker]
- Culture and the arts-New South Wales-<u>Bondi Pavilion</u>-moved by Senators Rhiannon and Dastyari [statements were made - <u>first speaker</u>]
- Defence—<u>Barracuda-class submarines</u>—moved by Senator Whish-Wilson [statements were made <u>first speaker</u>]
- Family and community services—<u>Income support for students</u>—moved by Senator Siewert [statements were made – <u>first speaker</u>]
- Family and community services—<u>National Volunteer Week</u>—moved by Senators Moore, Brown and Bilyk
- Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II-90th birthday-moved by Senator Smith [statements were made – <u>first speaker</u>]
- Law and justice—Abuse of children in institutional care—<u>National Redress Scheme</u>—moved by Senators Moore and McLucas [a <u>statement</u> was made]

# Motion denied formality

Foreign affairs—<u>Bombing of Médecins Sans Frontières hospital</u>—moved Senator Ludlam [statements were made – first speaker]

# **Motions negatived**

- Industry—<u>Australian shipbuilding industry</u>—moved by the Leader of the Glenn Lazarus
   Team (Senator Lazarus) [statements were made first speaker]
- Primary industries—<u>Australian sugarcane industry</u>—moved by the Leader of the Glenn Lazarus Team (Senator Lazarus) [statements were made — <u>first speaker</u>]
- Social issues—<u>Australian Christian Lobby</u>—moved by Senator Simms [statements were made – first speaker]
- Transport—Owner driver transport sector—moved by the Leader of the Glenn Lazarus Team (Senator Lazarus) [a statement was made]

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