



Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 26 November 2012

The Senate met from 10.00 am until 10.30 pm

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bill was introduced

- ❑ Restoring Territory Rights (Voluntary Euthanasia Legislation) Bill 2012 [private senator's bill] [introducing senator's [second reading speech](#)]

The following bills were passed

- ❑ Clean Energy Amendment (International Emissions Trading and Other Measures) Bill 2012 and 6 related bills [[first speaker](#) in second reading debate] [These bills will now be assented to]
- ❑ Dental Benefits Amendment Bill 2012 [[first speaker](#) in second reading debate] [The bill will now be assented to]
- ❑ Fair Entitlements Guarantee Bill 2012 [[first speaker](#) in second reading debate] [The bill will now be assented to]
- ❑ Fair Work Amendment (Transfer of Business) Bill 2012–19 Government amendments agreed to [[first speaker](#) in second reading debate] [The House of Representatives will now consider the [amendments](#) made by the Senate]

[Notices of motion](#)

To introduce private senators' bills

- ❑ Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Retaining Federal Approval Powers) Bill 2012—notice given by Senator Waters
- ❑ Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Towards Transparency) Bill 2012—notice given by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Abetz)
- ❑ Parliamentary Service Amendment Bill 2012—notice given by the President (Senator Hogg)
- ❑ Water Amendment (Save the Murray-Darling Basin) Bill 2012—notice given by Senator Hanson-Young

To exempt bills from the cut-off order [to enable consideration this period of sittings – 14 August to 29 November 2012]

- ❑ Customs Amendment (Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation and Other Measures) Bill 2012 and a related bill [a [statement of reasons](#) for exemption of the bills from the cut-off order was tabled]
- ❑ Fair Work Amendment Bill 2012
National Gambling Reform Bill 2012 and 2 related bills
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Further MySuper and Transparency Measures) Bill 2012
Treasury Legislation Amendment (Unclaimed Money and Other Measures) Bill 2012
Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012
[[statements of reasons](#) for exemption of the bills from the cut-off order were tabled]
- ❑ Law Enforcement Integrity Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 [a [statement of reasons](#) for exemption of the bill from the cut-off order was tabled]

To vary the hours of meeting and routine of business

A notice was given by the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) to vary the hours of meeting and routine of business for 27 November and 29 November 2012 and the routine of business for 28 November 2012 to enable the Government's legislative program to be considered.

See **Committees** for details of reports relating to legislation

Committees

[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)
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Reports tabled

Reports on legislation

- ❑ Fair Work Amendment Bill 2012–Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee [[report](#)]
- ❑ National Gambling Reform Bill 2012 and 2 related bills–Gambling Reform Joint Select Committee [[report](#)]

Other report

- ❑ Appropriations and Staffing Committee–54th report–A governance structure for parliamentary ICT services [[report](#)] [a [notice of motion](#) was given for the adoption of a recommendation contained in the report]

New inquiry

The Senate referred matters relating to [justice reinvestment](#) to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee to report by 16 May 2013.

Meetings during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate authorised the following meetings to be held while the Senate is sitting:

- ❑ Community Affairs Legislation Committee–26 November 2012 from 4.15 pm, and 29 November 2012, from 4.30 pm–private meetings
- ❑ Economics References Committee–27 November 2012 from 3.30 pm–private meeting
- ❑ Finance and Public Administration References Committee–27 November 2012 from 1.45 pm–private meeting

Notice of motion to extend a reporting deadline

- ❑ Senators' Interests Committee–Draft code of conduct for senators–to report by 29 November 2012

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, including Governor-General's Proclamations]

Notices of motion to disallow given

- ❑ Basin Plan 2012, made under Part 2 of the *Water Act 2007* [[homepage](#)][–notice](#) given by Senator Hanson-Young
- ❑ Item [1] of Schedule 1 to the National Health (Weighted average disclosed price – interim supplementary disclosure cycle) Amendment Determination 2012 (No. 2) [PB98 of 2012] made under subsection 99ADB(4) of the *National Health Act 195* [[homepage](#)][–notice](#) given by Senator Xenophon

Documents tabled

- ❑ Australian parliamentary delegation–33rd ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly, Lombok, Indonesia, 16 September to 22 September 2012–Report [a [motion](#) to take note of the report was agreed to]
- ❑ Parliamentary zone–[Various proposals](#) and supporting documentation [A notice of motion was given to approve the proposals]

Other business

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

Motions agreed to

- ❑ [Indexation of pensions for expatriate United Kingdom citizens](#)–moved by Senator Siewert
- ❑ [Parliamentary debates on asylum seekers](#)–moved by Senator Hanson-Young
- ❑ [Ukrainian Famine 1932-33](#)–moved by Senator Bilyk

Matter of public importance discussed

- [Registered organisations](#)—proposed by Senator Fifield [[first speaker](#)]

Death of former member

The President informed the Senate of the death, on 19 November 2012, of the Honourable Joseph Martin (Joe) Riordan, AO, a former minister and member of the House of Representatives for the division of Phillip from 1972 to 1975. A [motion](#) moved by the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Evans) was carried [[first speaker](#)].

Notices of motion

Notices of motion given today are available in the Senate Journals [see Journals entries [10](#), [22](#), [23](#) and [29](#)].

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