

Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 9 December 2013

The Senate met from 10 am until 10.22 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- □ Landholders' Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2013 [private senator's bill]
- Migration Amendment (Visa Maximum Numbers Determinations) Bill 2013 [private senator's bill]

The following bills were debated

- □ Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment Bill 2013–consideration of message in committee of the whole–The Senate agreed to not insist on an amendment disagreed to by the House but agreed to Australian Greens amendments and request for amendments in its place [first speaker] [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]
- □ Clean Energy Finance Corporation (Abolition) Bill 2013–second reading debate continued [first speaker]–Opposition second reading amendment to be determined

Notices of motion

To restore private senators' bills to the Senate Notice Paper

- Anti-Money Laundering Amendment (Gaming Machine Venues) Bill 2012–notice given by Senator Xenophon
- □ Foreign Acquisitions Amendment (Agricultural Land) Bill 2010– notice given by Senator Xenophon
- Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011–notice given by Senator Xenophon
- Public Service Amendment (Payments in Special Circumstances) Bill 2011–notice given by Senator Xenophon

To introduce a private senator's bill

Criminal Code Amendment (Harming Australians) Bill 2013–notice given by Senator Xenophon

To vary the hours of meeting and routine of business

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) gave a notice of motion to vary the hours of meeting and routine of business for 12 December 2013 to enable the Government's legislative program to be considered

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

Committees

New inquiries

- Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2013–Education and Employment References Committee–to report by the last sitting day in March 2014
- □ <u>Grandparents raising grandchildren</u>–Community Affairs References Committee– to report by 30 September 2014
- Overseas aid–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee–to report by 20 March 2014 [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- Speech pathology services–Community Affairs References Committee–to report by 27 March 2014

Proposed reference

The Senate did not agree to a <u>motion</u> to refer to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee a matter of holding a referendum on the alteration of the Constitution with regard to marriage [<u>statements</u> were made]

Intelligence and Security Joint Committee

The Senate did not agree to a <u>motion</u> relating to the timing of the appointment of the Intelligence and Security Joint Committee [<u>statements</u> were made]

Meeting during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate authorised the <u>Community Affairs Legislation Committee</u> to hold public hearings into the provisions of the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 [excluding Schedules 2, 6 and 9] during the sitting of the Senate on 9 and 10 December 2013 from 4 pm

Notices of motion given

To establish a joint select committee

Electronic Surveillance Select Committee-to report by 10 June 2014-notice given by Senator Ludlam

To hold meeting when the Senate is sitting

National Broadband Network Select Committee-on 11 December from 9.30 am-Public hearing

To refer matters to committees

- Claim of public interest immunity–Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee–to report by 21 February 2014–notice given by Senator Carr
- Climate change–Environment and Communications References Committee–to report by 24 March 2014–notice given the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne)
- Departmental and agency contracts–Finance and Public Administration References Committee–to report by 14 May 2014–notice given by the Chair of the Finance and Public Administration References Committee (Senator Lundy)

Memberships

The Senate agreed to various changes in the appointment of members to committees

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]

Notice of motion to disallow given

Senator Xenophon gave a notice of motion to disallow the Civil Aviation Order 48.1 Instrument 2013, made under various subregulations of the Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 and the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998, and subsection 98(4A) of the *Civil Aviation Act 1988* [F2013L00628]

Orders for the production of documents

Orders with continuing effect

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

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

Documents tabled

2 petitions

Other business

Questions without notice and issues arising during question time-<u>first question</u> Adjournment debate-<u>first speaker</u>

Motions agreed to

- Employment-<u>Wage Connect Program</u>—moved by Senator Siewert [statements were made]
- □ Environment–<u>Climate change policy</u>–moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne)

Motions negatived

- □ Environment–South Australia–<u>Kangaroo Island</u>–moved by Senator Wright
- □ Foreign affairs–<u>Israel-Palestine conflict</u>–moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne) [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- Immigration-<u>Immigration detention centres</u>-Condition-moved by Senator Hanson-Young [a <u>statement</u> was made]

Death of His Excellency Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, AC

The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Abetz) moved a <u>motion</u> relating to the death, on 5 December 2013, of His Excellency Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, AC, former President of the Republic of South Africa. The motion was carried [first speaker]

Matter of public importance discussed

Industry-Automotive industry-proposed by Senator Moore [first speaker]

Notices of motion

Notices of motion given today are available in the Senate Journals

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