Senate Daily Summary

Thursday, 17 July and Friday, 18 July 2014

The Senate met from 9.30 am and suspended at 11.04 pm until 9 am on Friday, 18 July 2014 and met from 9 am until 2.26 pm on Friday, 18 July 2014

The Senate will meet again on Tuesday, 26 August 2014 at 12.30 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills introduced

The following bills were introduced

- Corporations Amendment (Simple Corporate Bonds and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 16 July 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- Defence Legislation Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2014 [private senator's bill]
- □ Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 15 July 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- □ Meteorology Amendment (Online Advertising) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 16 July 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 16 July 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- Social Security Legislation Amendment (Stronger Penalties for Serious Failures) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 17 July 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]
- Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Seniors Health Card and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 17 July 2014] [Minister's second reading speech]

Bills considered

The following bills were debated and passed

- □ Asset Recycling Fund Bill 2014 <u>and</u> a related bill–second reading agreed to [first speaker]–Government, Opposition and AG amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives considered the amendments made by the Senate and did not agree to them; the Senate then further <u>considered</u> the amendments and agreed to insist on its amendments the House of Representatives will now further consider the amendments made by the Senate]
- □ Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2014 and 7 related bills [The bills will now be assented to]
- □ Minerals Resource Rent Tax Repeal and Other Measures Bill 2013 [No. 2]–second reading agreed to [first speaker]–committee of the whole–Opp and PUP amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives considered the amendments made by the Senate and did not agree to them; the Senate then further <u>considered</u> the amendments and agreed to insist on its amendments the House of Representatives will now further consider the amendments made by the Senate]
- □ Qantas Sale Amendment Bill 2014–second reading agreed to [first speaker]– committee of the whole–agreed to with amendments [The House of Representatives considered the amendments made by the Senate and agreed to them]

Message reported

Defence Legislation Amendment (Woomera Prohibited Area) Bill 2014–agreeing to the bill without amendment [The bill will now be assented to]

Committees

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

Reports and documents tabled

- Commonwealth procurement procedures-Finance and Public Administration References Committee [report] [a motion to take note of the report was debated - first speaker]
- □ Education and Employment References Committee–Report–Technical and further education system in Australia–Additional information
- Independent National Security Legislation Monitor Repeal Bill 2014–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee [report]
- Publications Committee–<u>7th report</u>

Estimates

Additional information arising from estimates hearings was tabled

Government response to committee report tabled

Treaties Joint Committee–130th report–Treaty tabled on 14 August 2012

New inquiries

Selection of Bills Committee

The Senate adopted <u>report</u> no. 9 of 2014 of the Selection of Bills Committee and made the following reference [a <u>statement</u> was made in respect of an amendment moved by Senator Ludlam to refer a bill to a committee]:

 Crimes Legislation Amendment (Psychoactive Substances and Other Measures) Bill 2014–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 2 September 2014

Other references

- Out of home care Community Affairs References Committee to report by the second sitting week in February 2015
- Privileges Committee–Inquiries by the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committees into aviation accident investigations and Budget estimates hearings held in May 2013

Reporting date extended

The Senate extended the reporting date for the inquiry of the Community Affairs Legislation Committee on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Amendment (A Stronger Land Account) Bill 2014–to 29 October 2014

Membership

A <u>message</u> from the House of Representatives was reported advising changes in the membership of joint committees

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)

<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 Migration Amendment (2014 Measures No. 1) Regulation 2014, made under the *Migration Act 1958* [F2014L00286] [first speaker]

Orders for the production of documents

Document tabled

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) tabled a <u>document</u> in response to the order of the Senate relating to the Air Warfare Destroyer project [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 9 July 2014]

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to the following orders:

- □ The Minister for Defence to table documents relating to the tender process for <u>Australian Defence Force boots</u>-by no later than 4 pm on 18 July 2014
- The Minister representing the Minister for the Environment to table documents relating to <u>dredging at Abbot Point</u>—by no later than noon on 26 August 2014 [statements were made]

Other business

Questions without notice and issues arising during question time-first question

Motions agreed to

- □ Health–<u>AIDS/HIV</u>–moved by Senator Smith
- □ <u>Indigenous Australians–Vision loss</u>–moved by Senators Siewert and Peris
- □ Youth-<u>Mental health</u>-moved by Senator Wright
- □ Industry–<u>National electricity rules</u>–moved by Senator Xenophon
- Environment-<u>National Water Commission</u>-moved by Senators Rhiannon and Xenophon

Motions negatived

- National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014–Consideration– moved by Senator Ludlam [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- □ Immigration–<u>Asylum seekers</u>–On water screening and transfers–moved by Senator Hanson-Young [a <u>statement</u> was made]

Statements made

- □ The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Abetz) made a statement about the tragedy of Malaysian Airlines Flight MH17 [statements were made]
- □ The President made statements about the <u>Clerk of the Senate</u>, and the <u>wearing of campaign material</u> in the chamber

Notices of motion

A notice of motion was given today

Statistics

Statistics on the work of the Senate this week will be available in the Statistical Summary, which forms part of <u>StatsNet</u>-the Department of the Senate's online statistical collection



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