



# Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 24 November 2014

The Senate met from 10 am until 10.26 pm

## Legislation

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[Bills and related documents](#)

### Bills considered

The following bill was debated

Australian National Preventive Health Agency (Abolition) Bill 2014  
[[homepage](#)] [[first speaker](#) – second reading debate]

The following bills were debated and negatived

Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Bill 2014 **and** the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014—defeated on the question that the main bill, as amended be agreed to subject to requests and the related bill be agreed to [[first speaker](#) – second reading debate; [committee stage](#)—Govt and PUP amendments agreed to; Opposition amendments negatived]

The following bills were debated and passed

Aged Care and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 **and** the Health and Other Services (Compensation) Care Charges (Amendment) Bill 2014—agreed to without amendments [[first speaker](#) – second reading debate] [The bills will now be assented to]

### Bills assented to

[Assent](#) to a law was reported in the Senate

Private senators' bills to be debated

On 14 November 2013 the Senate agreed to a temporary order allowing private senators' bills to be considered on Thursdays. On 27 November 2014 the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment Bill 2014 and the Fair Trade (Australian Standards) Bill 2013 are scheduled for debate

## Committees

[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)

[Committee reports](#)

### Reports tabled

- Economics Legislation Committee–Automotive Transformation Scheme Amendment Bill 2014 [[report](#)]
- Education and Employment Legislation Committee–Social Security Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Job Seeker Compliance Framework) Bill 2014 [[report](#)]
- Electoral Matters Joint Committee–Conduct of the 2013 federal election: An assessment of electronic voting options–Second interim [report](#)
- Environment and Communications Legislation Committee–National Water Commission (Abolition) Bill 2014 [[report](#)]
- Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee–Parliamentary Entitlements Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 [[report](#)]
- Intelligence and Security Joint Committee–Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014 [[report](#)]
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–
  - Migration Amendment (Character and General Visa Cancellation) Bill 2014 [[report](#)]
  - Migration and Maritime Powers Legislation Amendment (Resolving the Asylum Legacy Caseload) Bill 2014 [[report](#)]

### Government responses to committee reports

- Australia’s Food Processing Sector Select Committee–Report–Inquiry into Australia’s food processing sector
- Law Enforcement Joint Committee–Report–Spectrum for public safety mobile broadband

### Establishment of a select committee

The Senate [agreed](#) to the establishment of the Select Committee on Wind Turbines–to report by 24 June 2015 [[statements](#) were made]

### Membership

The Senate [agreed](#) to changes in the membership of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

### New inquiry

The Senate [agreed](#) to refer a matter to the Education and Employment References Committee–Private vocational education and training providers–to report by 10 August 2015

### **Notice of motion**

To refer a matter to a committee

Future of Australia's automotive industry—Economics References Committee—to report by the first sitting day of November 2015—notice given by Senators Carr, Muir, Xenophon, Madigan and Rice

### **Reporting dates extended**

Various committees were [granted](#) extensions of time to report

## **Documents**

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### **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]

### **Disallowance motions**

#### **Notice of motion**

Senators Leyonhjelm and Day gave a notice of motion to disallow provisions of subclauses 5(1), 5(4) and 5(5) of the Competition and Consumer (Industry Code—Port Terminal Access (Bulk Wheat) Regulation 2014, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2014 No. 136 and made under the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* [[F2014L01250](#)]

### **Orders for the production of documents**

#### Documents tabled

- Administration—[Biosecurity operations](#) [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 17 November 2014]
- Administration—[Executive international travel](#) [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 17 November 2014]
- Defence—[Submarines tender process](#) [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 17 November 2014]

#### Motions agreed to

The Senate ordered:

- the Attorney-General to table documents provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers concerning [data retention](#)—no later than noon on 25 November 2014 [[statements](#) were made]
- the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection to table the report by Transfield Services into the treatment of [asylum seekers](#)—no later than 3.30 pm on 27 November 2014 [a [statement](#) was made]

### Notices of motion

The following notices of motion were given:

- Senator Ludwig gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development and the Minister representing the Treasurer to table documents concerning the Moreton Bay rail link project—by no later than 3.30 pm on 26 November 2014
- Senator Ludwig gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development and the Minister representing the Treasurer to table documents concerning the Ipswich Motorway—by no later than 3.30 pm on 26 November 2014
- Senator McLucas gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for Health to table preliminary and interim reports concerning mental health review—by no later than 3.30 pm on 1 December 2014
- Senator Waters gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment to table documents concerning the Abbot Point onshore dumping proposal—by no later than noon on 27 November 2014

### **Documents tabled**

[Government documents](#) [and [considered](#)]

### **Other business**

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[Questions without notice and issues arising during question time—first question](#)

[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

### **Matter of public importance discussed**

Communications—[Australian Broadcasting Corporation](#)—Budget cuts—proposed by Senator Moore [[first speaker](#)]

### **Motions agreed to**

- Administration—[Australian Electoral Commission](#)—moved by the Leader of the Opposition (Senator Wong) [a [statement](#) was made]
- Communications—[Australian Broadcasting Corporation and Special Broadcasting Service](#)—Funding—moved by Senator Ludlam
- Defence—[Australian Defence Force pay offer](#)—moved by Senator Conroy
- Indigenous Australians—Access to justice—[Interpreting services](#)—moved by Senator Siewert
- Indigenous Australians—Incarceration rates—[Justice targets](#)—moved by Senator Siewert

### **Motions negatived**

- Environment—Queensland—[Galilee Basin](#)—moved by Senator Waters [[statements](#) were made]
- Primary industries—[Foreign ownership of agricultural land and water assets](#)—moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne) [[statements](#) were made]

- Transport–New South Wales–[WestConnex motorway](#)–moved by Senator Rhiannon [[statements](#) were made]

### **Death of former senator**

The President informed the Senate of the death, on 15 November 2014, of the Right Honourable Reginald Greive Withers, a senator for the state of Western Australia from 1966 and 1968 to 1987. A [motion](#) of condolence moved by the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Abetz) was carried [[first speaker](#)]

### **Statement, by leave**

Senator Lambie made a [statement](#) relating to her resignation from the Palmer United Party

### **Notices of motion**

[Notices of motion](#) given today are available in the Senate Journals



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