

# Senate Daily Summary

# Tuesday, 3 March 2015

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 9.24 pm

# Legislation

Bills and related documents

#### **Bill introduced**

Australian Securities and Investments Commission Amendment (Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee Abolition) Bill 2014 [passed by the House of Representatives on 2 March 2015] [Minister's second reading speech]

#### Bills considered

The following bills were debated and passed

- □ Broadcasting and Other Legislation Amendment (Deregulation) Bill 2015–2 Senator Xenophon committee amendments negatived–bill agreed to without amendments [The bill will now be assented to]
- □ Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 7) Bill 2014 and the Excess Exploration Credit Tax Bill 2014 [second reading first speaker]–2 Australian Greens amendments negatived–bills agreed to without amendments [The bills will now be assented to]

# The following bills were debated

Enhancing Online Safety for Children Bill 2014 and the Enhancing Online Safety for Children (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014–second reading debate commenced [first speaker]

#### **Notices of motion**

To exempt a bill from the cut-off order [to enable consideration during this period of sittings] — Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Recognition (Sunset Extension) Bill 2015—notice given by the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)

#### To introduce private senators' bills

- □ Defence Legislation Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2015—notice given by Senator Ludlam
- □ Landholders' Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015—notice given by Senator Waters

#### **Message reported**

Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 5) Bill 2014–agreeing to the amendments made by the Senate [The bills will now be assented to]

# **Committees**

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

## Reports and government responses tabled, and considered

- □ Economics Legislation Committee–Report–Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2014 [a motion to take note of the report was debated]
- □ Environment and Communications Legislation Committee–Enhancing Online Safety for Children Bill 2014 and a related bill [report]
- □ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–Defence Legislation Amendment (Military Justice Enhancements—Inspector-General ADF) Bill 2014 [report]
- ☐ Human Rights Joint Committee—19th report of 44th Parliament [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to]
- □ National Disability Insurance Scheme Joint Committee—Response to report— Implementation and administration of the National Disability Insurance Scheme [a motion to take note of the response was debated]
- □ Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee—Report no. 447—Review of Auditor-General reports nos 32-54 (2013-14)
- □ Public Works Joint Committee–Report no. 1 of 2015–Referrals made October 2014
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—<u>Response</u> to report—Future of the beekeeping and pollination service industries in Australia [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to <u>first speaker</u>]

#### Meetings during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate <u>authorised</u> meetings of various committees to be held while the Senate is sitting

#### Reporting dates extended

The Senate extended reporting dates for inquires of various committees

#### Notice of motion to refer a matter to a committee

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services—Finance and Public Administration References Committee—to report by no later than 10 August 2015—notice given by Senator Lines

#### Membership

- □ <u>Messages</u> from the House of Representatives were reported advising changes in the membership of joint committees
- ☐ The Senate <u>agreed</u> to vary the membership of committees

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# **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]

#### Disallowance motions

Notice to consider a disallowance motion

A notice of motion was given to suspend standing orders to enable debate on a notice of motion proposing the disallowance of the Competition and Consumer (Industry Code—Port Terminal Access (Bulk Wheat)) Regulation 2014, made under the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* [F2014L01250]

# Orders for the production of documents

#### Motion agreed to

The Senate <u>ordered</u> the Minister representing the Minister for Health to table reports in relation to the Mental Health review—no later than 9.30 am on 4 March 2015

# Orders with continuing effect

Departmental and agency contracts published on the Internet

<u>Letters</u> of advice for various portfolios were tabled [Letters of advice about certain contracts valued at \$100 000 or more entered into by departments and agencies are required to be tabled twice a year]

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

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

#### **Documents tabled**

Government document, and a response to a Senate resolution

#### Other business

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

# Matter of public importance discussed

Law and justice—<u>Racial Discrimination Act 1975</u>—proposed by Senator Moore [<u>first speaker</u>]

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# Motions agreed to

- □ Health–Access to mental health services—moved by Senator Wright
- Law and justice—<u>Australian Human Rights Commission</u>—moved by Senators Collins and Hanson-Young, the Leader of the Palmer United Party (Senator Lazarus) and Senators Wang and Lambie
- □ Primary industries—<u>Kangaroo meat and hide industry</u>—moved by Senator O'Sullivan
- □ Women—<u>International Women's Day</u>—moved by the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Women (Senator Cash) and Senators Moore and Waters

## **Motions negatived**

- □ Environment–New South Wales–Coal mining near the Liverpool Plains–moved by Senator Waters [a statement was made]
- □ Science and technology—<u>Genetically modified organisms</u>—moved by Senator Siewert

# Proposed suspension of standing orders

The Senate did not agree to a <u>motion</u> moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne) to suspend standing orders to enable debate on a motion relating to the deployment of Australian troops [<u>first speaker</u>]

#### **Notices of motion**

Further notices of motion given today are available in the Senate Journals



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