

# **Senate Daily Summary**

## Wednesday, 11 November 2015

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.59 pm

## Legislation

Bills and related documents

#### **Bills** considered

The following bills were debated and passed

- Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Bill 2015 and Register of Foreign
   Ownership of Agricultural Land Bill 2015\* [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bills</u>
   agreed to without amendments [the bills will now be assented to]
- Tax Laws Amendment (Combating Multinational Tax Avoidance) Bill 2015—<u>bill agreed</u>
   <u>to with Xenophon and AG amendments</u> [the House of Representatives will now
   consider the amendments made by the Senate]

#### The following bills were debated

- Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [second reading
   - <u>first speaker</u>, as part of the above package of bills\*] [a <u>motion</u> to separate this bill
   from the package was agreed to]
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (More Generous Means Testing for Youth Payments) Bill 2015—second reading debate commenced [first speaker]

#### **Bills introduced**

- Migration Amendment (Charging for a Migration Outcome) Bill 2015 [passed by the House of Representatives 10 November 2015] [Minister's second reading speech]
- Migration and Maritime Powers Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015 [passed by the House of Representatives 10 November 2015] [Minister's second reading speech]
- Veterans' Entitlements Amendment (Expanded Gold Card Access) Bill 2015 [private senator's bill]

#### Notices of motion to introduce bills

- Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015—notice given by the Attorney-General (Senator Brandis)
- Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015—notice given by Senator Xenophon

## **Committees**

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

#### Reports and documents tabled

- Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Social Services Legislation Amendment (No Jab, No Pay) Bill 2015 [report]
- Human Rights Joint Committee–30th report of 44th Parliament
- Regulations and Ordinances Committee–Delegated legislation monitor no. 14 of 2015
- Scrutiny of Bills Committee–12th <u>report</u> and <u>alert digest no. 12</u> of 2015
- Treaties Joint Committee:
  - Report no. 149 [response to report]
  - o Report no. 151 [response to report]

#### Meetings during the sittings of the Senate

The Senate <u>authorised</u> meetings of the Treaties Joint Committee to be held while the Senate is sitting

### Membership

The Senate <u>agreed</u> to vary the membership of a committee

#### Report adopted

Procedure Committee—Third report of 2015 [Accordingly standing order 22(3)(a) was amended, and a temporary order was adopted – see Journals]

#### Reporting date extended

The Senate <u>extended</u> the reporting date for an inquiry of the Community Affairs References Committee

#### **Notices of motion**

#### to establish a select committee

Select Committee on Unconventional Gas Mining—to report by 30 June 2016—notice given by Senator Lazarus

#### to extend reporting date

Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015—to report by 2 February 2016—notice given by Senator Carr

#### to refer matters to committees

- Lyme-like illness-Community Affairs References Committee-to report by 20 June
  2016-notice given by Senators Madigan, Wang, Leyonhjelm and Day
- Revenge pornography—Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—to report by 25 February 2016—notice given by Senator Bilyk

## **Documents**

#### **Delegated legislation**

See <u>Disallowance Alert</u> for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

#### **Disallowance motions**

The Chair of the Regulations and Ordinances Committee (Senator Williams) gave a <u>notice</u> of <u>intention to withdraw</u> a notice to disallow the Pay as you go withholding – PAYG Withholding Variation: Allowances – Legislative Instrument [F2015L01047]

### Orders for the production of documents

#### Notice of motion

Senator Ludlam gave a <u>notice of motion</u> requiring the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development to table documents relating to the Perth Freight Link project—no later than 5 pm on 23 November 2015

#### **Documents tabled**

- Government documents
- Petitioning document

## Other business

Senators' statements –  $\underline{\text{first speaker}}$ Questions without notice and issues arising during question time –  $\underline{\text{first question}}$ Adjournment debate –  $\underline{\text{first speaker}}$ 

#### Motions agreed to

- Administration—<u>Procurement of recycled paper</u>—moved by Senators Rice and Muir [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- Communications—Free-to-air television services—moved by Senator Wang
- Education—<u>Technical and Further Education—Crows Nest campus</u>—moved by Senator Rhiannon [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- Historical events—<u>Dismissal of Whitlam Government—40th anniversary</u>—moved by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
- Law and justice—<u>Marriage equality</u>—moved by Senator Simms
- Women—<u>Prevention of family and domestic violence</u>—moved by Senators Moore and Waters and the Minister for Women (Senator Cash)

#### Motion negatived

Law and justice— $\underline{\text{Standing under environmental laws}}$ —moved by Senator Canavan [statements were made –  $\underline{\text{first speaker}}$ ]

#### **Notices of motion**

<u>Further notices of motion</u> given today are available in the Senate Journals

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