

Senate Daily Summary

Thursday, 26 November 2015

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.28 pm

Legislation

Bills and related documents

Bills assented to

Assent to laws was reported in the Senate

Bills considered

The following bill was defeated

Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [second reading - <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>negatived at</u> second reading

The following bills were debated

- Freedom of Information Amendment (Requests and Reasons) Bill 2015—second reading debate continued [first speaker]
- Mining Subsidies Legislation Amendment (Raising Revenue) Bill 2014–second reading debate commenced [first speaker]

The following bills were debated and passed

- Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment Bill 2015 [second reading first speaker]—bill agreed to without amendments [the bill will now be assented to]
- Aviation Transport Security Amendment (Cargo) Bill 2015 [second reading <u>first</u> speaker]—bill agreed to without amendments [the bill will now be assented to]
- Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bill</u>
 agreed to without amendments [the bill will now be assented to]
- Tax Laws Amendment (Gifts) Bill 2015 [second reading <u>first speaker</u>]—<u>bill agreed to</u>
 <u>without amendments</u> [the bill will now be assented to]

Private senator's bill to be debated

On Thursday, 3 December 2015, the Freedom of Information Amendment (Requests and Reasons) Bill 2015 [homepage] is scheduled for debate

Committees

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

Estimates

Additional information received relating to estimates hearings was tabled

Reports tabled

- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
 – Australian Crime Commission
 Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2015 [report]
- Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee—Parliamentary Expenses
 Amendment (Transparency and Accountability) Bill 2015 [report]

Committee reports were discussed [first speaker]

Meeting during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate <u>authorised</u> a meeting of the Corporations and Financial Service Joint Committee to be held while the Senate is sitting

Membership

The Senate agreed to vary the membership of committees [Journals entries $\underline{20}$ and $\underline{33}$ refer]

New inquiries

Selection of Bills Committee

The Senate <u>adopted</u> report no. 15 of 2015 of the Selection of Bills Committee and made the following references:

- Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015–Environment and Communications Legislation Committee–to report by 12 May 2016
- Omnibus Repeal Day (Spring 2015) Bill 2015

 –Finance and Public Administration

 Legislation Committee

 –to report by 3 February 2016

Other reference

<u>Australia's steel industry</u>—Economics References Committee—to report by the last sitting day in June 2016

Proposed reference

The Senate <u>did not agree</u> to refer a matter to the Economics References Committee relating to carbon risk [a <u>statement</u> was made]

Notice of motion to refer a matter to a committee

F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter)—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report by 1 May 2016—notice given by Senator Whish-Wilson

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]

Orders for the production of documents

Motion agreed to

The Senate <u>ordered</u> the Minister representing the Assistant Treasurer to table documents relating to the old Gosford Public School site—no later than 3.30 pm on 30 November 2015 [a statement was made]

Notice of motion

Senator Xenophon gave a notice of motion requiring the Minister for Education and Training to table documents relating to the Childcare Assistance Package—no later than 4 pm on 1 December 2015

Documents tabled

Health—<u>Country of origin medicine labelling</u>—answer to question without notice asked on 12 November 2015

Other business

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

Motions agreed to

- Family and community services—<u>Pension Loan Scheme</u>—moved by Senators Lazarus and Lambie
- Primary industries—<u>Farm safety and biosecurity</u>—moved by Senators Canavan, McKenzie and Williams

Motion debated

Foreign affairs-Syria and Iraq [first speaker]

Motions negatived

- Education—<u>Student Services and Amenities Fees</u>—moved by Senators Day, Madigan, Wang, Leyonhjelm and Bernardi [statements were made – <u>first speaker</u>]
- Environment—<u>Climate change policy</u>—moved by Senator Waters [a <u>statement</u> was made]
- Primary industries—Western Australia—<u>Genetically-modified crops</u>—moved by Senator Smith [statements were made – <u>first speaker</u>]

Notices of motion

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

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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