

Senate Daily Summary

Wednesday, 24 February 2016

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.45 pm

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bill was debated

Omnibus Repeal Day (Spring 2015) Bill 2015—second reading debate commenced [[first speaker](#)]

The following bills were debated and passed

- Narcotic Drugs Amendment Bill 2016 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][—bill passed without amendments](#)
- Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment Bill 2016 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][—bill passed without amendments](#)
- Omnibus Repeal Day (Autumn 2015) Bill 2015 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][—bill passed with AG amendments](#) [the House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Measures) Bill 2015 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][—bill passed with 1 Govt amendment](#) [the House of Representatives will now consider the amendment made by the Senate]
- Tax Laws Amendment (Implementation of the Common Reporting Standard) Bill 2015—[bill passed with Govt and Opp amendments](#) [the House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

Bills introduced

- Dairy Produce Amendment (Dairy Service Levy Poll) Bill 2016 [passed by the House of Representatives 24 February 2016] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]
- Narcotic Drugs Amendment Bill 2016 [passed by the House of Representatives 23 February 2016] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]
- Parliamentary Entitlements Amendment (Injury Compensation Scheme) Bill 2016 [passed by the House of Representatives 24 February 2016] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]



Notice of motion

To introduce a private senator's bill

Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016—notice given by Senator Cameron

Committees

Scheduled [public committee hearings](#)
[Committee reports](#)

Reports and documents tabled

- Economics References Committee—
 - Need for a national approach to retail leasing arrangements—[Response](#) to report
 - Scrutiny of financial advice: Part 1 – Land banking: a ticking time bomb [[report](#)]
- Human Rights Joint Committee—34th [report](#) of 44th Parliament
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Family Law Amendment (Financial Agreements and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [[report](#)]
- Regulations and Ordinances Committee—Delegated legislation [monitor](#) no. 2 of 2016
- Scrutiny of Bills Committee—2nd [report](#) and [alert digest](#) no. 2 of 2016

Establishment of select committee

[National Integrity Commission Select Committee](#)—to report by 22 September 2016 [a statement was made]

Meeting during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate [authorised](#) a meeting of Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee to be held while the Senate is sitting

Membership

The Senate [agreed](#) to vary the membership of committees

Proposed references

The Senate did not agree to refer the following matters to committees:

- [Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Bill 2016 \[provisions\]](#)—Electoral Matters Joint Committee [statements were made – [first speaker](#)]
- [Sports anti-doping framework](#)—Education and Employment References Committee

Documents

Delegated legislation

See [Disallowance Alert](#) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

Disallowance motions

[Notice of intention to withdraw](#)

The Chair of the Regulations and Ordinances Committee (Senator Williams) gave a notice of intention to withdraw various notices to disallow regulations

Orders for the production of documents

Motions agreed to

The Senate ordered:

- each minister to table [documents](#) relating to the outsourcing of work by Government departments and their agencies to foreign businesses—no later than 4 pm on 12 May 2016
- the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science to table [documents](#) relating to the restructuring of the CSIRO Oceans and Atmosphere division—no later than 9 am on 3 March 2016 [a [statement](#) was made]

Orders with continuing effect

Entity contracts

[Letters of advice](#) were tabled [Lists of all grants approved are required to be tabled 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

[Documents](#) tabled

Other business

Senators' statements – [first speaker](#)

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

Adjournment debate – [first speaker](#)

Motions agreed to

- Industry—[Australian steel industry](#)—moved by Senators Xenophon, Carr, Lazarus, Madigan and Muir
- Law and justice—[Western Australia—Anti-protest laws](#)—moved by Senator Siewert
- Politics—[Political donations reform](#)—proposed by Senator Siewert [debated as a matter of urgency – [first speaker](#)]

Motion negated

Law and justice—New South Wales—[Lockout laws in Sydney](#)—moved by Senator Rhiannon

Questions on notice—Answers and explanation

Senator Ludlam [asked](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Resources, Energy and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan) for an explanation of answers not being provided to [questions placed on notice](#). Senator Canavan provided a [response](#). A motion moved by Senator Ludlam to take note of the response was debated and agreed to [[first speaker](#)]

Notices of motion

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

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