

# Senate Daily Summary

No. 6/2020

## Wednesday, 12 February 2020

The Senate met from 9.30am to 7.55pm

## Bills

#### **Introduced**

- Treasury Laws Amendment (Your Superannuation, Your Choice) Bill 2019
- Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Simplifying Income Reporting and Other Measures)
  Bill 2020
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Measures No. 3) Bill 2019
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Reuniting More Superannuation) Bill 2020
- Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Cross-boundary Greenhouse Gas Titles and Other Measures) Bill 2019
   Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2019

# **Committees**

#### Reports tabled

- Human rights scrutiny report 2 of 2020 Human Rights Joint Committee
- Scrutiny digest 2 of 2020 Scrutiny of Bills Committee
- <u>Delegated legislation monitor 2 of 2020</u> Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee

## Reporting dates extended

- <u>Unlawful underpayment of employee's remuneration</u> extended to 3 December 2020
- Regulation of auditing in Australia extended to 1 September 2020

#### Membership

- Variations were agreed to
- A member was appointed to a joint committee

See also committee membership page

## **Documents**

#### **Tabled documents**

- Government documents and documents presented by the President
- <u>Clerk's documents</u> [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

To view individual instruments visit <u>www.legislation.gov.au</u> and search using the Federal Register of Legislation (FRL) number

### Orders for the production of documents

#### **Tabled**

 Response to an order for the production of documents relating to the report Economic and social impacts of recreational hunting and shooting agreed to on <u>5 February 2020</u>

#### Agreed to

- <u>Documents</u> relating to PFAS contamination of RAAF bases to be tabled by the Minister for Defence by 10 am on 26 February 2020
- <u>Documents</u> relating to the Banking Code of Practice to be tabled by the Minister representing the Treasurer by 5.00 pm on 24 February 2020
- <u>Documents</u> relating to climate change reports to be tabled by the Leader of the Government in the Senate by 10 am on 24 February 2020

#### **Explanations by ministers**

- The Senate debated statements made by the <u>Minister for Youth and Sport</u> and the <u>Minister representing the Attorney-General</u> regarding the failure to provide documents in accordance with the following orders for the production of documents relating to the Community Sport Infrastructure Program:
  - Colour-coded spreadsheet
  - Advice provided to the Attorney-General in relation to the legal authority of the former Minister for
    Sport to undertake an approval role for funding decisions under the program
  - Communications relating to the three grant rounds under the program

## **Closing the Gap**

- Following the Senate suspending to allow senators to attend the Prime Minister's Closing the Gap statement in the House of Representatives, the Prime Minister's annual report on <u>Closing the Gap</u> and accompanying ministerial statement were tabled in the Senate and debated

#### **Petition**

Senator Faruqi presented a petition regarding action to end the live animal export trade

## Other business

#### **Motions**

#### Agreed to

- Naval Shipbuilding Advisory Board 2019-20 additional estimates moved by Senator Kitching
- Aged Care Assessment Teams moved by Senator McCarthy
- <u>Underemployment of employees</u> moved by Senators Sheldon and Walsh
- Children's Rights Report 2019 moved by Senator Siewert
- <u>Safer Internet Day</u> moved by Senators Bilyk and Polley
- Remuneration of aged care workers moved by Senator Hanson
- Water supplies in Australian communities moved by Senator McAllister

## Negatived

- Ministerial standards moved by Senators Wong, Waters, Lambie and Patrick
- Mitigation of climate change moved by Senator Whish-Wilson

#### **Disallowance motions**

#### Notice of intention to withdraw

Chair of the Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) to withdraw the following notices on the next day of sitting:

- Helicopter Aerial Application Endorsements Exemption 2019 [F2019L01132]
- Broadcasting Services (Transmitter Access) Regulations 2019 [F2019L01248]

# **Statistics**

Bills received from the House of Representatives	6
Bill introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bill introduced in the Senate – private senator's	0
Bills passed in the Senate	0
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	0
Reports tabled	3
Notices of motion given	16
Divisions	3

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