

Senate Daily Summary

No. 46/2021

Tuesday, 23 November 2021

The Senate met from 12 pm to 9.12 pm

Bills

Introduced

Health Insurance Legislation Amendment (Transparent Patient Outcomes) Bill 2021 [private senator's bill]

Considered

- Independent National Security Legislation Monitor Amendment Bill 2021
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- Debate on this bill will continue on 24 November 2021

Committees

Inquiry suspended

• The <u>Senate directed the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee</u> to suspend its <u>inquiry into ABC and SBS complaints handling</u> until the completion of the independent review

Reports tabled

- <u>Centrelink's compliance program Fifth interim report</u> Community Affairs References Committee
 [The Senate adopted the recommendations contained in the interim report. See below at *Orders*for the production of documents]
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- Australia's Family Law System Joint Select Committee:
 - Third interim report—Australia's child support system
 - Final report
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- Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee:
 - Corporations Amendment (Improving Outcomes for Litigation Funding Participants) Bill 2021
 - Mobile payment and digital wallet financial services
 - Regulation of the use of financial services such as credit cards and digital wallets for online gambling in Australia

<u>Second interim report</u> Implementation of the National Redress Scheme Joint Select Committee
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Government responses

- Response to <u>Impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment</u> Environment and Communications References Committee
- Response to Courts and Tribunals Legislation Amendment (2021 Measures No. 1) Bill 2021 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
- Response to 197th report Treaties Joint Committee

Reporting dates extended

- Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and related entities extended to the Friday of the first sitting week in March 2022
- Centrelink's compliance program extended to the last sitting day in May 2022

Membership

See committee membership page

Documents

Tabled documents

- Government documents and documents presented by the President
- Clerk's documents [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

Other

• The President tabled the Memorandum of understanding on the execution of search warrants in relation to a member of parliament; and the AFP National Guideline on investigations where parliamentary privilege may be involved [see also Statements]

Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

 Response to an order for the production of the government response to the Environment and Communications References Committee's report on the impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment agreed to on 23 November 2021

Agreed to

- <u>Documents</u> relating to Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) to be tabled by the Minister for Senior Australians and Aged Care Services and the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Northern Australia, by 5 pm on 29 November 2021
- <u>Government response</u> to the Environment and Communications References Committee's report on the impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Resources and Water, by no later than 9.30 am on 25 November 2021 [See also *Orders for the production of documents Tabled*]

 <u>Documents</u> relating to questions taken on notice during the inquiry into Centrelink's compliance program to be tabled by the Minister for Government Services, by no later than 1 pm on 24 November 2021 [see <u>recommendation 3</u> contained in the Community Affairs References Committee's <u>fifth interim report</u>]

Other business

Motions

Agreed to

• National Cabinet—Public interest immunity claims moved by Senator Patrick

Disallowance motions

Withdrawn

The Chair of the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) withdrew the following notices:

- Industry Research and Development (Growing Australia's Cyber Skills Program) Instrument 2021 [F2021L00536]
- Industry Research and Development (Modern Manufacturing Initiative Program) Instrument 2021
 [F2021L00539]
- Industry Research and Development (Beetaloo Cooperative Drilling Program) Instrument 2021 [F2021L00567]
- Industry Research and Development (Boosting Australia's Diesel Storage Program) Instrument 2021 [F2021L00610]

Negatived

- Senator Waters indicated her objection to the withdrawal by Senator Fierravanti-Wells of a motion to disallow the Industry Research and Development (Carbon Capture, Use and Storage Development Program) Instrument 2021 [F2021L00547]. The motion was transferred to Senator Waters [see standing order 78(3)], debated, and defeated
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Statements

- The President made a statement regarding the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- The President made a statement regarding a memorandum of understanding with the Australian Federal Police [see also *Tabled documents*]

Explanation

- The Senate took note of the Minister's explanation relating to the delay in providing an answer to a question on notice
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Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators'	1
Bills passed in the Senate	0
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	0
Reports tabled	7
Orders for production of documents agreed to	3
Notices of motion given	9
Divisions	5

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