



# Senate Daily Summary

No. 13/2024

**Tuesday, 26 March 2024**

The Senate met from 12 pm to 8.28 pm

## Senators

- [Senator Rice](#) gave her valedictory speech, and a series of speeches were given recognising her contribution to Parliament  
▶ [Watch the valedictory](#) 📄 [Read the transcript](#)

## Bills

### Considered

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Making Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share—Integrity and Transparency\) Bill 2023](#)  
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Debate on this bill will continue at a later date

### Passed

With an amendment

- [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Fair Go for Consumers and Small Business\) Bill 2024](#)  
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The House of Representatives will now consider the Senate's amendment

## Committees

### New inquiries

- [Shutdown of the 3G mobile network](#) referred to the [Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 30 November 2024
- [Excess mortality](#) referred to the [Community Affairs References Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 31 August 2024
- [Select Committee on Adopting Artificial Intelligence \(AI\)](#) to inquire and report by 19 September 2024

## Reporting dates extended

- [Australia's retirement system](#) extended to 30 June 2025
- [COVID-19 Royal Commission](#) extended to 19 April 2024
- [Cost of living](#) extended to 15 November 2024

## Documents ordered to be produced

### Attendance by Minister

- The Senate [ordered](#) the Minister representing the Attorney-General to attend the chamber on Wednesday, 27 March 2024 to provide an explanation regarding orders for documents relating to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps to be provided to the Intelligence and Security Joint Committee agreed to on [27 February 2024](#) and [21 March 2024](#) [see related [response tabled on 25 March 2024](#)]

### Direction to meet

- The Senate [directed](#) the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee to hold a public hearing on 26 March 2024

## Documents

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### Tabled documents

- [Government documents and documents presented by the President](#)
- [Clerk's documents](#) [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

### Orders for the production of documents

#### Agreed to

- [Documents](#) relating to Housing Australia availability payments to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Housing, by no later than midday on Tuesday, 2 April 2024
- [Documents](#) relating to Bureau of Meteorology ROBUST program to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Water, by no later than midday on Thursday, 16 May 2024
- [Independent review of the National Legal Assistance Partnership](#) to be tabled by the Minister representing the Attorney-General, by midday on Wednesday, 27 March 2024

#### Orders to comply

- The Senate ordered the Minister representing the Minister for Defence to comply by no later than [2 pm on Wednesday, 27 March 2024](#) with the orders agreed to on [28 February 2024](#) and [18 March 2024](#) to table the Afghanistan Inquiry Implementation Oversight Panel Final Report and related documents

## Other business

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### Statement

- Senator Thorpe made a [statement](#) regarding Palestine

## Statistics

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Bills received from the House of Representatives	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators'	0
Bills passed in the Senate	1
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	3
Reports tabled	0
Orders for production of documents agreed to	3
Notices of motion given	8
Divisions	18

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