

**Committee-related
activity in the chamber**

1 July 2015 to 31 December 2015

Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters

Matters Referred to Committees

During the reporting period, 71 matters were referred to Senate Committees for inquiry and report (including 44 Individual/Packages of Bills referred through the Selection of Bills Committee, 1 Individual Bill referred to a Legislation committee, 22 matters referred to References committees, 2 Select Committees established and 2 matters adopted by or referred to Joint committees). The details are as follows:

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
Nauru (Select)	The responsibilities of the Commonwealth Government in connection with the management and operation of the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru (<i>re-appointment</i>) (for inquiry and report by 31 August 2015)	10.08.2015 (1)
ECO (Leg)	Treasury Legislation Amendment (Small Business and Unfair Contract Terms) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 14 September 2015)	13.08.2015 (2)
RRAT (Ref)	Decision-making process for the Perth Freight Link project (for inquiry and report by 26 November 2015)	
ECO (Ref)	Economic security for women in retirement (for inquiry and report by the first sitting day in March 2016)	17.08.2015 (1)
ECO (Leg)	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 15 September 2015)	20.08.2015 (10)
ECO (Leg)	Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [Provisions]; Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Bill 2015 [Provisions]; and Register of Foreign Ownership of Agricultural Land Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12 October 2015)	
EC (Leg)	Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 28 October 2015)	
EC (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standing) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12 October 2015)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
FPA (Leg)	Parliamentary Expenses Amendment (Transparency and Accountability) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in the first sitting week of February 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Debit Card Trial) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12 October 2015)	
FADT (Ref)	Australia's relationship with Mexico (for inquiry and report by 3 December 2015)	
FADT (Ref)	Capability of Defence's physical science and engineering (PSE) workforce (for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in March 2016)	
LCA (Ref)	Establishment of a national registration system for Australian paramedics (for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in June 2016)	
LCA (Ref)	A popular vote, in the form of a plebiscite or referendum, on the matter of marriage in Australia (for inquiry and report by 16 September 2015)	
FADT (Leg)	Schedule 2 of the Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (2015 Budget Measures) Bill 2015 (for inquiry and report by 25 September 2015)	07.09.2015 (2)
EC (Ref)	Environmental, social and economic impacts of large-capacity fishing vessels (super trawlers) operating in Australia's marine jurisdiction (for inquiry and report by 30 April 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (More Generous Means Testing for Youth Payments) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2015)	10.09.2015 (2)
ECO (Leg)	Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (Better Targeting the Income Tax Transparency Laws) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12 October 2015)	
EEC (Leg)	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Further Strengthening Job Seeker Compliance) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 24 November 2015)	17.09.2015 (7)

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (No Jab, No Pay) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2015)	17.09.2015 (<i>continued</i>)
ECO (Leg)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Governance) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2015)	
ECO (Leg)	Tax Laws Amendment (Combating Multinational Tax Avoidance) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2015)	
FADT (Leg)	Customs Amendment (China-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] and Customs Tariff Amendment (China-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by the next working day after the tabling of the report of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee on the proposed China-Australia Free Trade Agreement)	
LCA (Leg)	Migration Amendment (Charging for a Migration Outcome) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 November 2015)	
LCA (Leg)	Migration and Maritime Powers Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 10 November 2015)	
LCA (Ref)	Regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea (for inquiry and report by 31 December 2016)	12.10.2015 (1)
EEC (Leg)	Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] and the Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2015)	15.10.2015 (7)
EC (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Prohibition of Live Imports of Primates for Research) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 1 March 2016)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
EEC (Leg)	Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12 May 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Food Standards Australia New Zealand Amendment (Forum on Food Regulation and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2015)	
CA (Leg)	Health Legislation Amendment (eHealth) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2015)	
LCA (Leg)	Migration Amendment (Complementary Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 18 February 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2015)	
EEC (Ref)	Creation of a national long service standard and the portability of long service and other entitlements (for inquiry and report by the third sitting day in February 2016)	09.11.2015 (1)
LCA (Leg)	Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 26 November 2015)	12.11.2015 (9)
FPA (Leg)	Commonwealth Grants Commission Amendment (GST Distribution) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 16 March 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Health Insurance Amendment (Safety Net) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 23 November 2015)	
EEC (Leg)	Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP Reform) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2015)	
LCA (Leg)	Migration Legislation Amendment (Cessation of Visa Labels) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 25 February 2016)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2015)	12.11.2015 (<i>continued</i>)
LCA (Ref)	Revenge pornography (for inquiry and report by 25 February 2016)	
CA (Ref)	Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients (for inquiry and report by 20 June 2016)	
GAS (Select)	The adequacy of Australia's legislative, regulatory and policy framework for unconventional gas mining including coal seam gas (CSG) and shale gas mining (for inquiry and report on or before 30 June 2016)	
ECO (Ref)	Development of the bauxite resources near Aurukun in Cape York (for inquiry and report on or before 31 March 2016)	24.11.2015 (1)
ECO (Ref)	Criminal, civil and administrative penalties for white collar crime (for inquiry and report on or before 27 July 2016)	25.11.2015 (3)
ECO (Ref)	Foreign investment review framework (for inquiry and report on or before 4 February 2016)	
FPA (Ref)	Domestic violence and gender inequality (for inquiry and report on or before 24 August 2016)	
EC (Leg)	Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015](through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 12 May 2016)	26.11.2015 (3)
FPA (Leg)	Omnibus Repeal Day (Spring 2015) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 3 February 2016)	
ECO (Ref)	The future of Australia's steel industry (for inquiry and report by the last sitting day in June 2016)	
FADT (Ref)	Contamination of Australian Defence Force facilities and contamination on sites using firefighting foams (for inquiry and report by 4 February 2016 [part 1] and 30 April 2016 [part 2])	30.11.2015 (1)
CA (Ref)	Future of Australia's aged care sector workforce (for inquiry and report by 30 June 2016)	01.12.2015 (1)

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
FADT (Ref)	Operations of Defence Housing Australia (for inquiry and report by 30 April 2016)	02.12.2015 (6)
EC (Ref)	Australian children accessing online pornography (for inquiry and report by the first sitting day in December 2016)	
CA (Ref)	Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment in Australia (for inquiry and report by 30 July 2016)	
FADT (Ref)	Planned acquisition of the F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter) (for inquiry and report by 1 May 2016)	
LE (Joint)	Human trafficking (adopted by committee for inquiry and report)	
LE (Joint)	Illicit tobacco (adopted by committee for inquiry and report)	
EC (Leg)	Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 20 June 2016)	03.12.2015 (13)
ECO (Leg)	Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22 February 2016)	
LCA (Leg)	Courts Administration Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 2 February 2016)	
LCA (Leg)	Crimes Legislation Amendment (Proceeds of Crime and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 3 February 2016)	
LCA (Leg)	Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 2 February 2016)	
EEC (Leg)	Fair Work Amendment (Remaining 2014 Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 4 February 2016)	
EEC (Leg)	Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Jobs for Families Child Care Package) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 17 March 2016)	

Committee	Inquiry	Date Referred (Daily Total)
LCA (Leg)	Family Law Amendment (Financial Agreements and Other Measures) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 24 February 2016)	03.12.2015 <i>(continued)</i>
FPA (Leg)	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2015 (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 29 February 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Repair) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 4 February 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22 February 2016)	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill (No. 2) 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 1 March 2016)	
EC (Leg)	Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Access Regime and NBN Companies) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (through the Selection of Bills Committee for inquiry and report by 22 February 2016)	

Reports tabled by Senate Committees

During the reporting period, committees supported by the Senate Committee Office tabled/presented 79 reports (including 44 Legislation committee reports, 27 References committee reports and 8 Joint/Select committee reports). The details are as follows:

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
RRAT (Ref)	Industry structures and systems governing the imposition and disbursement of marketing and research and development (R&D) levies in the agriculture sector (presented OOS 30.06.2015)	10.08.2015 (6)
ECO (Ref)	*Part III - Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry: Long-term planning (presented OOS 01.07.2015)	
Nauru (Select)	Report (presented OOS 31.07.2015)	
Wind Turbines (Select)	Report (presented OOS 03.08.2015)	
ECO (Ref)	Digital currency—game changer or bit player (presented OOS 04.08.2015)	
CA (Ref)	*Availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia—Interim report (presented OOS 04.08.2015)	
CA (Leg)	Medical Research Future Fund Bill 2015 [Provisions] and Medical Research Future Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
EE (Leg)	Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [No. 2] [Provisions]	11.08.2015 (4)
ECO (Leg)	Corporations Amendment (Financial Advice) Bill 2014	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
LCA (Leg)	Regulator of Medicinal Cannabis Bill 2014	
LCA (Leg)	Criminal Code Amendment (Harming Australians) Bill 2013	13.08.2015 (2)
LCA (Leg)	Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2013	
CA (Leg)	Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Amendment Bill 2015 [Provisions]	17.08.2015 (1)

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
LCA (Leg)	Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman Bill 2015 and the Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2015	18.08.2015 (3)
ECO (Ref)	*Corporate tax avoidance—You cannot tax what you cannot see (part 1)	
CA (Leg)	Gene Technology Amendment Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
ECO (Ref)	*Future of Australia's automotive industry—Interim report	19.08.2015 (3)
ECO (Ref)	*Australia's innovation system—Interim report	
CA (Ref)	Out of home care	
FPA (Ref)	Prevalence and impact of domestic violence in Australia	20.08.2015 (1)
ECO (Ref)	*Future sustainability of Australia's naval ship building industry—Interim report (presented OOS 28.08.2015)	07.09.2015 (3)
EC (Ref)	Regulation of the fin-fish aquaculture industry in Tasmania (presented OOS 21.08.2015)	
Nauru (Select)	Report (presented OOS 31.08.2015)	
LE (Joint)	Financial related crime	08.09.2015 (2)
EC (Leg)	Water Amendment Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Treasury Legislation Amendment (Small Business and Unfair Contract Terms) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	14.09.2015 (1)
LE (Joint)	Examination of the Australian Federal Police Annual Report 2013–14	15.09.2015 (3)
ECO (Leg)	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Leg)	Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Ref)	Impact on service quality, efficiency and sustainability of recent Commonwealth community service tendering processes by the Department of Social Services	16.09.2015 (3)
LCA (Ref)	Handling of a letter sent by Mr Man Haron Monis to the Attorney-General	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
LCA (Ref)	Matter of a popular vote, in the form of a plebiscite or referendum, on the matter of marriage in Australia	
Health (Select)	*Third interim report— Australian Hearing: too important to privatise	17.09.2015 (4)
FPA (Leg)	Department of Parliamentary Services Final Report	
FADT (Leg)	International Aid (Promoting Gender Equality) Bill 2015	
CA (Ref)	Availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia	
EC (Leg)	Landholders' Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015 (presented OOS 30.09.2015)	12.10.2015 (6)
FADT (Leg)	Schedule 2 of the Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (2015 Budget Measures) Bill 2015 (presented OOS 25.09.2015)	
Health (Select)	* Fourth interim report—Mental Health: a consensus for action (presented OOS 08.10.2015)	
RRAT (Leg)	Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015	
CA (Leg)	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Debit Card Trial) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (Better Targeting the Income Tax Transparency Laws) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
EEC (Ref)	*Interim report—Impact of Australia's temporary work visa programs on the Australian labour market	14.10.2015 (2)
ECO (Leg)	Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [Provisions]; Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Bill 2015 [Provisions]; and Register of Foreign Ownership of Agricultural Land Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
EEC (Ref)	Getting our money's worth: the operation, regulation and funding of private vocational education and training (VET) providers in Australia	15.10.2015 (2)
RRAT (Leg)	Voice for Animals (Independent Office of Animal Welfare) Bill 2015	

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
EC (Leg)	*Interim report— Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014 (presented OOS 23.10.2015)	09.11.2015 (7)
FADT (Leg)	Customs Amendment (China-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] and the Customs Tariff Amendment (China-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (presented OOS 06.11.2015)	
FADT (Ref)	China-Australia Free Trade Agreement (presented OOS 06.11.2015)	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (More Generous Means Testing for Youth Payments) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Governance) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
ECO (Leg)	Tax Laws Amendment (Combating Multinational Tax Avoidance) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Leg)	Health Legislation Amendment (eHealth) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
FPA (Leg)	Australian Government Boards (Gender Balanced Representation) Bill 2015	10.11.2015 (3)
LCA (Leg)	Migration Amendment (Charging for a Migration Outcome) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
LCA (Leg)	Migration and Maritime Powers Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (No Job, No Pay) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	11.11.2015 (1)
NDIS (Joint)	*Progress Report	12.11.2015 (1)
EC (Leg)	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standing) Bill 2015 [Provisions] (presented OOS 18.11.2015)	23.11.2015 (2)
CA (Leg)	Health Insurance Amendment (Safety Net) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
EEC (Leg)	Social Security Legislation Amendment (Further Strengthening Job Seeker Compliance) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	24.11.2015 (1)

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
CA (Ref)	Violence, abuse and neglect against people with disability in institutional and residential settings, including the gender and age related dimensions, and the particular situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability, and culturally and linguistically diverse people with disability	25.11.2015 (2)
EC (Leg)	Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014	
LCA (Leg)	Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2015	26.11.2015 (2)
FPA (Leg)	Parliamentary Expenses Amendment (Transparency and Accountability) Bill 2015	
EEC (Leg)	Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] and the Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	30.11.2015 (5)
EEC (Leg)	Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP Reform) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Leg)	Food Standards Australia New Zealand Amendment (Forum on Food Regulation and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
CA (Leg)	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment) Bill 2015 [Provisions]	
ECO (Ref)	Future of Australia's automotive industry: Driving jobs and investment	01.12.2015 (2)
ECO (Ref)	Third party certification of food	
LCA (Ref)	Impact of the 2014 and 2015 Commonwealth Budget decisions on the Arts	02.12.2015 (3)
EC (Ref)	Stormwater management in Australia	
FADT (Ref)	Australia's relationship with Mexico	
ECO (Ref)	'I just want to be paid': Insolvency in the Australian construction industry	03.12.2015 (2)

Committee	Report	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
ECO (Ref)	Australia's innovation system	03.12.2015 <i>(continued)</i>
ECO (Ref)	*Interim report— Structure and development of forestry managed investment schemes (MIS) (presented OOS 16.12.2015)	(2)
ECO (Ref)	Interest rates and informed choice in the Australian credit card market (presented OOS 16.12.2015)	

* *Reports that did not discharge a reference*

Estimates reports:

There was 1 (LCA) report tabled during the reporting period.

Reports on Annual Reports:

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 8 reports.

Government Responses to Committee Reports

The following table shows 8 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

Committee	Government Response	Date Tabled (Daily Total)
RRAT (Ref)	Industry structures and systems governing levies on grass-fed cattle (presented OOS 15.07.2015; report tabled 09.09.2014)	10.08.2015 (2)
EC (Ref)	Recent trends in and preparedness for extreme weather events (presented OOS 03.08.2015; report tabled 07.08.2013)	
FADT (Leg)	Implementation of the <i>Defence Trade Controls Act 2012</i> —Progress report no. 2 (report tabled 14 May 2014)	18.08.2015 (2)
FADT (Leg)	Implementation of the <i>Defence Trade Controls Act 2012</i> —Progress report no. 3 (report tabled 18 March 2015)	
RRAT (Ref)	Effect on Australian pineapple growers of importing fresh pineapples from Malaysia; Effect on Australian ginger growers of importing fresh ginger from Fiji; Proposed importation of potatoes from New Zealand (final reports tabled 31 March 2014)	20.08.2015 (1)
ECO (Ref)	Privatisation of state and territory assets and new infrastructure (presented OOS 01.09.2015; report tabled 19.03.2015)	07.09.2015 (1)
LCA (Leg)	Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Classification Tools and Other Measures) Bill 2014 (report tabled 27.08.2014)	08.09.2015 (1)
EC (Leg)	Performance, importance and role of Australia Post in Australian communities and its operations in relation to licensed post offices (report tabled 24.09.2014)	02.12.2015 (1)

*Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee—Department of Parliamentary Services—President's response (tabled 14.10.2015; report tabled 17.09.2015)

Additional Comments; Dissenting Reports; Minority Reports, Supplementary Reports *(Note: These statistics record the signatory to the reports)*

<i>Legislation</i>	<i>LP/NAT</i>	<i>ALP</i>	<i>AG</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>Minor Parties</i>	<i>Multi-Party</i>
Additional Comments		6	5	3		
Dissenting Reports		12	19	2		2
Minority Reports						
Supplementary Reports		1				
<i>References</i>	<i>LP/NAT</i>	<i>ALP</i>	<i>AG</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>Minor Parties</i>	<i>Multi-Party</i>
Additional Comments	9	3	5	5	2	
Dissenting Reports	8		2			
Minority Reports	1					
<i>Select/Joint</i>	<i>LP/NAT</i>	<i>ALP</i>	<i>AG</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>Minor Parties</i>	<i>Multi-Party</i>
Additional Comments			1			
Dissenting Reports	2	1				
Minority Reports						

LP/NAT (Liberal Party, National Party), ALP (Australian Labor Party), AG (Australian Greens), IND (Independent), minor parties include Palmer United Party, Liberal Democratic Party, Family First Party and Australian Motoring Enthusiast Party

Extension of Time to present Reports

During the reporting period, there were 70 extensions of time: (14 of one week or less; 23 of over a week; 33 of over a month)—granted to a committee administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports.

Leave to meet while the Senate is in session

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted leave to meet while the Senate was in session on 66 occasions.

Appointment of Committees

The Senate Select Committee on Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru was re-appointed on 10 August 2015

The Select Committee on Unconventional Gas Mining was appointed on 12 November 2015

Change of Committee Name

The Senate Select Committee into the Abbott Government's Budget Cuts was renamed the Senate Select Committee into the Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures on 11 August 2015.