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**BUSINESS OUTSTANDING AS AT PROROGATION OF THE
45TH PARLIAMENT AT 8.29 AM ON THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019**

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Temporary Chairs of Committees

Senators Bernardi, Brockman, Duniam, Gallacher, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Marshall, McCarthy, McGrath, O’Sullivan, Sterle, Whish-Wilson and Williams

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GUIDE TO THE NOTICE PAPER

Notices of motion

A proposed resolution that a senator intends to put to the Senate for debate and/or a vote. Notice is given so others have time to consider the proposal.

Orders of the day

Items of business the Senate has scheduled to carry out or consider on a particular day. These can include continued debate on a bill or motion, or the presentation of a report or other document.

Business listed for today

Matters of privilege

- Proposed references to the Privileges Committee

Business of the Senate

Includes:

- disallowance motions
- references to standing committees
- committee reports to be presented

Government business

Initiated by ministers

- Government bills
- proposed changes to the order of business

General business

Initiated by senators who are not ministers

- notices of motion
- continued debate on previous motions

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Private senators' business

THURSDAYS

Documents

Committee reports and government responses

Auditor-General's reports

Business listed for future consideration

Lists any **notice of motion** or **order of the day** to be considered at a specific time in the future. For example, a committee report ordered to be presented on a specific date. Dates on which ministers have been ordered to produce documents are included here.

Any business to which a date cannot be allocated, will be placed at the end of the section.

Other information

Questions on notice

Numbers of all unanswered questions on notice

Orders of the Senate

An action the Senate requires to take place

- new or amendments of standing orders
- temporary orders of the Senate

Contingent notices

Motions to suspend standing orders that can be called upon when a specific event occurs

Ministerial representation

Senate ministers and the portfolios they represent

BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 13 February 2019

- 1 **Senator Cameron:** To move—That the Fair Work Amendment (Casual Loading Offset) Regulations 2018, made under the *Fair Work Act 2009*, be disallowed [F2018L01770].

Twelve sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

Notice given 2 April 2019

- 2 **Senator Patrick:** To move—That the Civil Aviation (Community Service Flights - Conditions on Flight Crew Licences) Instrument 2019, made under the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*, be disallowed [F2019L00134].

Fourteen sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

- 3 **Senator Williams:** To move—That the following matter be referred to the Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 3 December 2019:

The gaming of the bidding of wholesale electricity prices by major energy producers and its impact on consumer pricing, with particular reference to:

- (a) past and current practices of energy producers interacting with the bidding system;
- (b) increases in prices since 2007 and the reasons why;
- (c) factors that contribute to high consumer prices;
- (d) the economic impact of major energy producers ‘gaming the system’;
- (e) the difference between increasing wholesale prices and the cost of generation; and
- (f) and any other related matters.

Notice of motion altered on 2 April 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.

Order of the Day

- 1 **Economics Legislation Committee**

Report to be presented on the Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2019. (*Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.*)



GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

- 1 **Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2018**
Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018—(*Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (3 December 2018).
- 2 **Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 2) Bill 2018**—(*Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (26 June 2018).
- 3 **Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment (Enhancing Australia's Anti-Doping Capability) Bill 2019**—(*Senate bill*)—(*Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 4 **Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Amendment (Strengthening Governance and Transparency) Bill 2018**—(*Senate bill*)—(*Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (5 December 2018).
- 5 **Future Drought Fund Bill 2019**—(*Minister for Regional Services, Sport, Local Government and Decentralisation, Senator McKenzie*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (2 April 2019).
- 6 **Superannuation Laws Amendment (Strengthening Trustee Arrangements) Bill 2017**—(*Senate bill*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 December 2017).
- 7 **Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2019**—(*Senate bill*)
In committee (14 February 2019).
- 8 **Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Operational Efficiency) Bill 2017**—(*Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*Senator McCarthy, in continuation, 13 February 2019*).
- 9 **Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2018**
Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*Senator McKim, in continuation, 3 December 2018*).
- 10 **National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018**—(*Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (25 June 2018).

- 11 **Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Accountability and Member Outcomes in Superannuation Measures No. 2) Bill 2017**—(*Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 November 2017).
- 12 **Migration (Validation of Port Appointment) Bill 2018**—(*Assistant Minister for Treasury and Finance, Senator Seselja*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (16 August 2018).
- 13 **Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2017**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 February 2018).
- 14 **Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2018**—(*Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*Senator Cameron, in continuation, 6 December 2018*).
- 15 **Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2018**—(*Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (25 June 2018).
- 16 **Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2017**—(*Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).
- 17 **Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2018**—(*Senate bill*)—(*Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*Senator Brockman, in continuation, 18 October 2018*).
- 18 **Social Services Legislation Amendment (Housing Affordability) Bill 2018**—(*Minister for Small and Family Business, Skills and Vocational Education, Senator Cash*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 19 **Communications Legislation Amendment (Deregulation and Other Measures) Bill 2018**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 March 2018).
- 20 **Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017**—(*Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (17 October 2017).
- 21 **Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2018**
Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2018—(*Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*Senator Polley, in continuation, 23 August 2018*).

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- 22 **Treasury Laws Amendment (Reducing Pressure on Housing Affordability Measures No. 2) Bill 2018**
Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment (Near-new Dwelling Interests) Bill 2018
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 March 2018).
- 23 **Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 October 2016).
- 24 **Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 October 2017).
- 25 **National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).
- 26 **Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 October 2017).
- 27 **Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).
- 28 **Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 February 2017).
- 29 **Export Control Bill 2017**
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—That this bill be now read a second time.
And on the amendment moved by Senator Brown—At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate notes that Australian exporters and agriculture industries are facing a number of challenges relating to trade” (5 February 2018).
- 30 **Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Amendment Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Treasury and Finance, Senator Seselja)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (16 August 2018).
- 31 **Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).
- 32 **Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 November 2017).
- 33 **Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016—(Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 November 2016).

- 34 **Social Services Legislation Amendment (Better Targeting Student Payments) Bill 2017**—(*Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*13 November 2017*).
- 35 **Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017**—(*Senate bill*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*6 December 2017*).
- 36 **Transport Security Amendment (Serious or Organised Crime) Bill 2016**
Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 149 from the House of Representatives (*30 March 2017*).
- 37 **Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2017**
Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 268 from the House of Representatives (*13 November 2017*).
- 38 **Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017**—(*Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*14 September 2017*).
- 39 **Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016**—(*Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*1 December 2016*).
- 40 **Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*23 November 2016*).
- 41 **Agriculture and Water Resources Legislation Amendment Bill 2016**—(*Minister for Foreign Affairs, Senator Payne*)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*14 February 2017*).
- 42 **Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016**
Second reading—Adjourned debate (*10 November 2016*).
- 43 **Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016**
Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 79 from the House of Representatives (*28 November 2016*).
- 44 **Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017**
Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
Income Tax Rates Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Treasury Laws Amendment (Untainting Tax) (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017—(*Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann*)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (*13 November 2017*).

45 Indigenous Australians—Closing the Gap—Ministerial statement and documents

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—That the Senate take note of the documents (*Senator Paterson, in continuation, 14 February 2019*).

46 National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016

Second reading—Adjourned debate (*20 March 2017*).

47 Budget statement and documents 2019-20

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—That the Senate take note of the statement and documents (*3 April 2019*).

48 Budget statement and documents 2018-19

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—That the Senate take note of the statement and documents (*10 May 2018*).

49 Budget statement and documents 2017-18

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—That the Senate take note of the statement and documents (*11 May 2017*).

GENERAL BUSINESS

A complete list of all general business notices of motion and orders of the day remaining on the *Notice Paper* is published at: www.aph.gov.au/Senate/business

Notices of Motion

Notice given 12 February 2019

- 1361 **Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson):** To move—That the Senate demands that the Federal Government ban all forms of unstunned animal slaughter, such as unstunned halal slaughter, in line with the recommendations of the RSPCA.

Notice given 2 April 2019

- 1431 **Senator Hanson-Young:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Water Act 2007*, and for related purposes. ***Water Amendment (Saving the Murray-Darling) Bill 2019.***
- 1432 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate notes that 6 February 2019 marked the 67th anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Australia and Head of the Commonwealth.
- 1433 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate—
- (a) congratulates the 74 worthy Western Australians who were recipients of 2019 Australia Day Honours for their outstanding achievement and service; and
 - (b) particularly notes the following recipients:
 - (i) the late Mr Lloyd Stanley Perron, AM, for eminent service to the community through philanthropic contributions to a range of charitable organisations, and to the commercial property sector,
 - (ii) the Honourable Barry John House, AM, for significant service to the people and Parliament of Western Australia, and to the community of the South West,
 - (iii) the late the Honourable Kennon Richard Lewis, AM, for significant service to the Parliament of Western Australia, and to the community,
 - (iv) Dr Paul Vogel, AM, for significant service to public administration through environmental leadership roles,
 - (v) the Honourable Michael Francis Board, OAM, for service to youth in Western Australia,
 - (vi) Mrs Lynette Suzanne Craigie, OAM, for service to local government, and to the community of the Pilbara,
 - (vii) Ms Joan Barbara Hillman, OAM, for service to sports administration, and
 - (viii) the Honourable Robert Frank Johnson, OAM, for service to the Parliament and community of Western Australia.
- 1434 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate congratulates the following recipients of 2019 Australia Day Honours for their outstanding achievement and service to Australia's HIV response:
- (a) Professor Sharon Lewin, AO, for distinguished service to medical research, and to education, in the field of infectious disease, particularly HIV/AIDS;
 - (b) Ms Annie Madden, AO, for distinguished service to community health, as an advocate for the disadvantaged, to policy development, and to human rights;
 - (c) Mr Mark Orr, AM, for significant service to community health through a range of initiatives;
 - (d) Professor Margaret Hellard, AM, for significant service to medicine as an infectious diseases and public health physician and research scientist;
 - (e) Professor Jennifer Hoy, AM, for significant service to medicine, and to medical education, in the field of infectious diseases; and

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- (f) Mr Graeme Head, AO, for distinguished service to public administration, to diversity employment initiatives, and to environmental protection.

1435 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate notes—

- (a) that 15 February 2019 marked 65 years since Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II opened the 3rd session of the 20th Parliament in the Senate Chamber on her first official visit to Australia in 1954; and
- (b) Her Majesty’s gracious remarks to Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives during her opening address: “It is therefore a joy for me, today, to address you not as a Queen from far away, but as your Queen and a part of your Parliament. In a real sense, you are here as my colleagues, friends, and advisers”.

1436 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates all award recipients honoured at the 2,758 Karen People’s New Year celebration in Perth, Western Australia on 6 January 2019; and
- (b) specifically recognises the following achievements:
 - (i) outstanding Leadership Award winner Paul Kyaw, for leadership and active service to the Karen community through membership of the Western Australian Parliamentary Friends of Burma group, and for receiving a Multicultural Community Service Award from the Western Australian Government (2011) and People of Australia Ambassador Award from the Commonwealth Government (2013),
 - (ii) outstanding Leadership Award winner Joansy Pegrum, for cofounding the Karen Welfare Association of Western Australia and representing the Karen community in positions of leadership, and for receiving a nomination for an International Women’s Day Award in 2008 and 2010,
 - (iii) outstanding Citizenship Award (Public Sector) winner Senior Constable Richard Lwin, for longstanding service to the Karen community, and for dedicating 20 years of service to the broader Australian community through the Western Australian Police Force, and
 - (iv) outstanding Citizenship Award (Entrepreneur) winner Lar Khu Jue, for overcoming significant challenges, embracing opportunity and building LJ Auto Service into a successful business enterprise.

1437 **Senator Waters:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for superannuation to be provided to members of Parliament under the same scheme, and for related purposes. ***Parliamentary Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Fair Superannuation for Members of Parliament) Bill 2019.***

1438 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* and the *Referendum (Machinery Provisions) Act 1984*, and for related purposes. ***Commonwealth Electoral Law Amendment (Compulsory Voter Identification) Bill 2019.***

1439 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the positive influence that an active lifestyle has on physical and mental wellbeing;
- (b) recognises the noteworthy achievements of parkrun, a grassroots volunteer organisation that started with a single event at Bushy Park, England, but which now runs over 1,400 free running events every Saturday morning in 21 countries, for people of all shapes, ages and sizes;
- (c) congratulates parkrun Australia, which launched on the Gold Coast, Queensland, on 4 April 2011, and now has free events in over 350 locations across the nation; and
- (d) encourages all Australians to participate with organisations such as parkrun, with the goal of living longer, happier and healthier lives.

1440 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises the ongoing threat that Yellow Crazy Ants, a pest that is listed as one of the top 100 worst invasive species in the world, pose to property, livestock and agriculture in the Wet Tropics World Heritage area, and the Cairns region;
- (b) notes that:
 - (i) the Wet Tropics Management Authority's Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program has delivered significant success in the last two years, with a major decrease in ants and their spread across the region and into the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area, and
 - (ii) total eradication has been achieved in some areas;
- (c) further recognises that, while significant progress has been made fighting the threat of Yellow Crazy Ants in North Queensland, sustained effort is required to completely eradicate one of the state's most invasive pests in and adjacent to the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area; and
- (d) thanks all the volunteers and professionals who continue to make the eradication program a success, with particular thanks to Mr Frank Teodo and Ms Lucy Karger PSM for their outstanding contributions.

1441 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that, whilst the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry emphasised the negative facets of the financial services industry, there were countless positive aspects about the industry that were not highlighted;
- (b) recognises the multitude of professional, law-abiding and hard-working financial advisers around the nation who have made it their mission to achieve the best possible financial outcome for their clients, by:
 - (i) helping families achieve their financial goals,
 - (ii) assisting families to create financial buffers in order to deal with life's potential setbacks,
 - (iii) protecting families in times of severe illness, injury or even death, and
 - (iv) helping people plan and enjoy comfortable, secure retirements;

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- (c) further notes that:
 - (i) a strong financial advice profession is critical to the future of many Australians, and
 - (ii) the financial adviser community is currently undergoing a period of internal and external change; and
- (d) expresses its support for financial advisers who continue to operate within the law and provide positive financial outcomes for Australians.

1442 **Senators Steele-John, Hanson-Young, Di Natale, Whish-Wilson, Siewert, Rice, Faruqi, Waters and McKim:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 15 March 2019, approximately 150,000 school students across Australia, and over 1.5 million across the world, took part in the school strike for climate,
 - (ii) many organisations and individuals suggested it would have been more appropriate for these rallies to be held on the weekend, therefore missing the point of what a strike is,
 - (iii) the Australian Greens fully support all students who took part in the more than 100 strikes across Australia, and more than 1,700 around the world, and agree that climate change must be taken seriously by our policy leaders and decision makers, and
 - (iv) Australia is already suffering the consequences of climate change, and it is imperative that we listen to the voices and the concerns of those who it will affect the most by demonstrating serious and meaningful action on climate change; and
- (b) endorses the climate strikers and their three key demands which are:
 - (i) to stop the Adani coal mine,
 - (ii) no new coal or gas, and
 - (iii) 100% renewable energy by 2030.

1445 **Senators Brown and Bilyk:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) 21 March 2019 was World Down Syndrome Day, a day for the Down Syndrome community that is celebrated throughout Australia and the world, and
 - (ii) the theme for World Down Syndrome Day 2019 is ‘Leave No One Behind’; and
- (b) calls on all levels of government and the wider society to work together towards a more inclusive community that will ensure that no-one, especially people with disability, are left behind.

1447 **Senator Storer:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Australian Academy of Science released a report earlier this year showing that floodplain harvesting is a major contributor to the poor health of the Murray-Darling system,
 - (ii) the report found that “low stream flows are exacerbated by take of water from the floodplain that would otherwise discharge to rivers, particularly in low-flow conditions”,

- (iii) unregulated floodplain harvesting reduces water flow, depriving irrigators and rural communities in the Darling and southern end of the system, and
 - (iv) according to the President of the Australian Floodplain Association, floodplain harvesting across northern New South Wales could account for upwards of 3,000 billion litres in a large overland flow event, given the amount of storage; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to commit to a comprehensive audit, primary data measurement and reporting of the take of floodplain harvesting on New South Wales and Queensland floodplains.

1448 **Senator Storer:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) air pollution causes one third of deaths from stroke, lung cancer and heart disease, on par with smoking tobacco,
 - (ii) in 2015, the cost of premature deaths in Australia, due to outdoor air pollution, was \$17.8 billion,
 - (iii) the Health Effects Institute estimates that air pollution from light vehicle emissions caused 1,715 deaths in Australia in 2015, more than the national road toll,
 - (iv) idling (leaving the car running when stationary) contributes to air pollution and associated health risks – two minutes spent idling is equal to one mile of driving, and
 - (v) children and the elderly are especially susceptible to the effects of air pollution; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to follow the lead of the United Kingdom, the United States of America and others by establishing anti-idling zones around schools and nursing homes.

1449 **Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson):** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act creating a system of mandatory self-assessment of family law matters, and for other purposes. *Family Law (Self-Assessment) Bill 2019.*

1451 **Senator Bilyk:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the 100th anniversary of the foundation of the International Labour Organization (ILO) on 11 April 2019 as a reminder of the ongoing need to fight for the rights of workers and decent working conditions;
- (b) celebrates the ILO's important role in setting labour standards and promoting decent work for all men and women for the past 100 years;
- (c) expresses its disappointment at the Australian Government's lack of participation in promoting and celebrating the 100th anniversary of the ILO within Australia;
- (d) notes that in Australia:
 - (i) in 2018, 154 workers were killed at work,
 - (ii) too many workers are exploited through labour hire arrangements and sham contracting which undermines their rights and conditions,
 - (iii) at a time when wage growth has hit record lows, 700,000 workers have had their penalty rates cut, and

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- (iv) the gender pay gap remains unacceptably high; and
- (e) calls on the Australian Government to crack down on sham contracting and sham enterprise agreements, reverse their cuts to penalty rates and take action to address industrial deaths and the gender pay gap.

1452 **Senator Faruqi:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Royal National Park in New South Wales has enormous heritage value, including being the first national park in Australia, as well as one of the first in the world, and
 - (ii) it has been six years since the Federal Government and the New South Wales state government committed to nominating the Royal National Park for World Heritage status; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to demonstrate environmental leadership and immediately place the Royal National Park on Australia's Tentative World Heritage List.

1453 **Senator Waters:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Federal Government has announced \$9 million over 3 years to the Wet Tropics Management Authority (WTMA) to fund the Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program,
 - (ii) WTMA is seeking \$6 million a year for 7 years from July 2019 to continue its successful Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program within and adjacent to the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area,
 - (iii) the Federal Government announcement amounts to just 21% of the funding required to complete the program and over the 3 year funding commitment amounts to just half of what is needed,
 - (iv) to date, the WTMA Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program has been successful in reducing yellow crazy ant activity across all areas of known infestation and eradicating the ants from some parts, and
 - (v) underfunding and funding uncertainty of the program may lead to job losses, project cut-backs and ultimately may be unsuccessful in eradicating yellow crazy ants from this world heritage area; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to increase its funding commitment to \$6 million per year over 7 years – to match the full funding required to eradicate yellow crazy ant from the wet tropics world heritage area and adjacent areas.

1454 **Senators Faruqi and Waters:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Al Jazeera's documentary 'How to Sell a Massacre' has revealed that Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party sought millions of dollars in donations from the American gun lobby group, the National Rifle Association and discussed softening One Nation's policies on gun ownership as they tried to secure the funding;
- (b) calls on the Liberal Party to recommend voters preference One Nation last at the upcoming Federal election;
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to reiterate their commitment to strong gun control and the National Firearms Agreement;

- (d) calls on the Federal Government to ban political donations from the gun lobby; and
- (e) calls on all political parties who have accepted political donations from the gun lobby in 2018-19 to return them, and refuse to accept any other donations from the gun lobby until a ban is legislated.

1455 **Senator Spender:** To move—That the order of the Senate of 29 November 2018, relating to estimates hearings by legislation committees, be amended by inserting after paragraph (3):

(3A) That the committees shall meet to consider 2019-20 Budget estimates notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament or dissolution of the House of Representatives.

1456 **Senator Spender:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates Sydneysider Ms Jill Colebourn for being the first Australian woman to qualify for the biathlon world cup in 20 years; and
- (b) notes that biathlon is:
 - (i) a combined skiing and shooting sport included at the Winter Olympics, which tests an athlete's capacity for exertion and calm,
 - (ii) a recognised sport in Victoria, allowing Australian athletes to train there and allowing those with an interest to try the sport, and
 - (iii) supported by the Commonwealth Government's Australian Sports Foundation.

1457 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Shark Bay in Western Australia is one of four marine World Heritage sites across the world that meets all four criteria for World Heritage listing;
- (b) acknowledges that:
 - (i) Shark Bay is at catastrophic risk of devastation from climate change,
 - (ii) the 2011 marine heatwave in Shark Bay caused mass deaths of sea animals, coral bleaching and a loss of seagrass, and
 - (iii) the loss of seagrasses was irreplaceable;
- (c) recognises that the Federal Government is not providing sufficient funding to address the threat of climate change in Shark Bay; and
- (d) calls for the Federal Government to take urgent action to address climate change, commit adequate funding for research on the impact of climate change on Shark Bay and ensure action is taken to address those impacts.

1458 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises that new research from the National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling shows that increasing Newstart by \$75 a week would reduce the poverty rate in Australia by 0.8%;
- (b) acknowledges that our social safety net is failing to protect unemployed workers from falling into poverty;
- (c) notes that the Federal Government's one-off Energy Assistance Payment of \$75 for singles and \$125 for couples excludes people on Newstart; and

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- (d) urges the Federal Government to immediately address poverty in Australia by raising the single rate of Newstart and Youth Allowance by \$75 a week.

1459 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises that:
 - (i) the evidence heard over the course of the 2017 Royal Commission into Youth Detention in the Northern Territory (the Commission) was appalling, and Australians were shocked that children were being abused and locked behind bars,
 - (ii) the children of the Northern Territory (NT) who have been abused in detention were failed and are still being failed because of the inability of the NT and Federal Governments to fully fund and implement the Commission's recommendations,
 - (iii) in June 2018, all children in detention in the Northern Territory were Aboriginal, and
 - (iv) since 2004, there has been a 135% increase in the number of First Nations peoples in prison, and First Nations peoples are now 13 times more likely to be imprisoned than non-Indigenous people;
- (b) notes that the NT Government blindsided stakeholders and the community when it rushed through changes to youth justice laws that go against recommendations of the Royal Commission;
- (c) acknowledges that reform of the NT justice system must be done in close consultation with First Nations communities; and
- (d) calls on the Commonwealth Government to show leadership and commit to assisting with funding the recommendations of the Royal Commission and look to therapeutic approaches including diversion, care plans and facilities with staff trained in de-escalation and a rehabilitative rather than punitive approach.

1460 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the misogynistic undertones of the ParentsNext program, given 95% of program participants are women,
 - (ii) that the Human Rights Commission has said that ParentsNext is not compatible with human rights,
 - (iii) that the Targeted Compliance Framework is unjustifiably harsh and resulting in some women living in fear under the constant threat that a payment might be suspended or cancelled, and
 - (iv) that the overwhelming evidence presented to the Senate inquiry into the program recommended that ParentsNext not continue in its current form;
- (b) recognises that over 700,000 children are living in poverty, and half of households receiving a parenting payment live in poverty; and
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to make the ParentsNext program voluntary, abandon the Targeted Compliance Framework and implement the recommendations of the recent Senate inquiry into the program.

- 1461 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the Senate—
- (a) notes the current Government’s recent announcement that to meet its Paris Agreement greenhouse emissions reduction commitment it will rely on so-called ‘surplus units’ from the first and second Kyoto commitment periods, otherwise known as ‘carryover credits’; and
 - (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, by no later than 9.30 am on 10 April 2019, a copy of all correspondence or documents within the Minister’s or the Department of the Environment’s possession relating to the use of these surplus units or carryover credits to meet Australia’s Paris Agreement commitments.
- 1462 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the Senate rejects the use of Kyoto carry-over credits and the use of international offsets to meet Australia’s climate change targets.
- 1463 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to regulate the Commonwealth’s accounting for the purposes of Australia’s climate change target under the Paris Agreement, and for related purposes. *National Climate Reporting (Preventing Climate Accounting Tricks) Bill 2019.*
- 1464 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That—
- (1) The House of Representatives and the Senate have reached agreement on a Code of Conduct which is to apply to all members of Parliament. This Code applies to members in all aspects of their public life, but does not seek to regulate what members do in their purely private and personal lives.
 - (2) Members of Parliament recognise that they are in a unique position of responsibility in influencing the nature of civic conduct in Australia.
 - (3) Members of Parliament recognise that their words and actions in the Senate and the House of Representatives influence issues in the public debate. These include issues relating to multicultural affairs, migration and citizenship, gender equality and professional conduct in the workplace.
 - (4) Members of Parliament acknowledge that parliamentary privilege protects the right of members to participate freely in debate in the Parliament without fear of prosecution.
 - (5) Members of Parliament recognise the need to exercise their valuable right of freedom of speech in a responsible manner and a failure to do so may have serious implications for individuals and groups of the Australian community and may diminish the social cohesion that is essential to our national character.
- The Code
- Uphold the honour of public office
- Members of Parliament will take all reasonable steps to uphold the honour of public office and act in a manner that is consistent with the values of respect and inclusion.

Members shall at all times conduct themselves in a manner which will tend to maintain and strengthen the public's trust and confidence in the integrity of Parliament and never undertake any action which would bring the Senate, House of Representatives, or its Members generally, into disrepute. This includes behaviour and language during parliamentary proceedings, including interactions with parliamentary and electorate officer staff.

First Peoples of Australia, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
Members of Parliament recognise the value and contribution of the First Peoples of Australia, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Members of Parliament recognise that with the exception of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, Australia is a nation of migrants.

Respect Australians' diversity

Members of Parliament recognise that Australia has been enriched by the diversity of ethnicities, culture and religious belief that exists within our nation.

Members of Parliament recognise that principles including respect for religious and cultural diversity, tolerance, and justice should be upheld in parliamentary debate in a respectful manner.

Members of Parliament recognise that the Australian Parliament, including the Senate and House of Representatives chamber, is the primary workplace for elected representatives.

Elected representatives should be free from bullying, harassment or abuse of any kind in their workplace, including such acts based on ethnicity, race, religion or culture.

Respect gender equality and diversity

Members of Parliament recognise that women and LGBTIQ+ individuals are more likely to experience inequality and discrimination in the workplace.

Members of Parliament recognise that the Australian Parliament, including the Senate and House of Representatives chamber, is the primary workplace for elected representatives.

Elected representatives should be free from bullying, harassment or abuse of any kind in their workplace, including such acts based on gender, gender identity or sexuality.

Reject discriminatory or exclusionary statements

Members of Parliament will not knowingly humiliate or degrade an individual or community based on their national or ethnic origin, culture, religious belief, disability, gender, gender identity or sexual orientation.

This includes acts which are intended to incite hatred or create fear of a community.

Reporting and enforcement of this code

If a senator breaches the code of conduct the President may report to the Senate that the senator has committed an offence.

If an offence has been committed by a senator in a committee of the whole, the chairman may suspend the proceedings of the committee and report the offence to the President.

A senator who has been reported as having committed an offence shall attend in the senator's place and be called upon to make an explanation or apology.

If such an explanation or apology is not deemed acceptable by the Senate then a motion may be moved that the senator be suspended from the Senate.

The suspension of a senator on the first occasion shall be for the remainder of that day's sitting, on the second occasion for 7 sitting days, and on the third or any subsequent occasion for 14 sitting days, where such suspensions occur within the same calendar year.

A senator who has been suspended shall not enter the chamber during the period of the suspension. If a senator enters the chamber during the senator's suspension, the President shall order the Usher of the Black Rod to remove the senator from the chamber.

1465 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Fair Work Act 2009*, and for related purposes. *Fair Work Amendment (Protecting the Right of Return to Work After Running for Parliament) Bill 2019*.

1466 **Senator Anning:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that 24 April 2019 marks the 104th anniversary of the Armenian genocide in which 1.5 million Christian Armenians were systematically murdered by the Muslim government of Turkey;
- (b) expresses its condolences to and solidarity with the Armenian people, including, in particular, members of the Armenian community in Australia; and
- (c) condemns the refusal of the current Turkish Muslim government to recognise this crime against humanity, apologise to the Armenian people and make reparations to the descendants of the victims.

1467 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the laws calling for the torture and punishment of LGBTIQ+ people in Brunei, including non-citizens, are inhumane and in violation of humanitarian values,
 - (ii) the government of Brunei's treatment of the LGBTIQ+ community, as well their move to equate homosexuality with atrocities such as rape, must be met with adequate international backlash, and
 - (iii) the government of Brunei's lack of response to the international outcry against similar policies in 2014 shows that a stronger approach is needed in order to lead to effective change; and

- (b) calls on the Federal Government to:
 - (i) work with other nations on a United Nations resolution condemning the Brunei government's actions,
 - (ii) take gay and bisexual people who seek refuge from Brunei in Australia,
 - (iii) update Smart Traveller references to Brunei, and
 - (iv) review our diplomatic relationship with Brunei.

1468 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) 31 March 2019 was Transgender Day of Visibility,
 - (ii) Transgender Day of Visibility is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions that trans and gender-diverse people have made to our communities, and to provide them a platform to share their stories openly and without fear, and
 - (iii) this year's theme is 'Be Seen', which recognises the importance of trans and gender-diverse visibility, especially for trans people of colour, first nations trans people, non-binary people and those with disabilities; and
- (b) calls on all parliamentarians to:
 - (i) use their platform to recognise and celebrate the variety of contributions that trans and gender-diverse people have made,
 - (ii) commit to elevating the diverse voices and stories of trans and gender-diverse people in their communities, as well as in this Parliament,
 - (iii) acknowledge the necessity of providing trans and gender-diverse people with culturally appropriate resources and services, and
 - (iv) support the provision of essential health, social, cultural and community services for trans and gender-diverse people and their families.

1469 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Mr Littleproud, acknowledges that:
 - (i) logging native forests is unsustainable, and
 - (ii) curbing native forest logging to harvest carbon credits "seems as though it is common sense," citing concerns over the future of the Australian beekeeping industry and the knock-on impacts for farmers; and
- (b) calls on the Morrison Government to:
 - (i) scrap the Regional Forest Agreements immediately,
 - (ii) end logging of native forests on public land, and
 - (iii) transition wood production in Australia to 100% from sustainable plantations from the current 88%.

1470 **Senator O'Neill:** To move—That the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee invite Messrs Andrew Burnes and Russell Carstensen to appear and give evidence during the examination of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade at the 2019-20 Budget estimates hearings on Friday, 5 April 2019, relating to the operations of Helloworld, and evidence at the 2018-19 additional estimates concerning the conduct of Australia's Ambassador to the United States of America, Mr Hockey, and related matters.

1471 **Senator McKim:** To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) in Tasmania, industrial salmon farms are:

- (A) expanding at an unprecedented rate, often without any transparency or accountability to the public; having tripled in size over the past decade, the Tasmanian salmon farming industry has plans to double again by 2030,
- (B) negatively affecting other aquaculture industries and operations downstream of them, and recreational fishing in the proximity,
- (C) killing off native habitats and marine life or, in the cases of seal culls, native marine life is being killed off, and
- (D) creating navigational hazards – from both moored structures and loose debris – for watercraft, and a loss of amenity (and sometimes income) for local residents, tourism operators and tourists,

(ii) the salmon farming industry in Tasmania has been plagued by a disregard of science and/or natural values along with poor governance, which has led to:

- (A) a reinstatement of zombie (long-inoperative) leases without any assessments or consultation,
- (B) losses of Aquaculture Stewardship Council certifications,
- (C) government documents being drafted by private interests, and
- (D) privatisation of vast tracts of public waters, and

(iii) in November 2018, the Tasmania's Marine Farming Review Panel's two marine scientists resigned in protest, because:

- (A) the panel was not serving the best interests of the state, and
- (B) the panel is, as currently structured and within the confines of the legislation, inherently compromised; and

(b) supports a moratorium on expansion of fish farming in Tasmania until a federal regulator is established to provide consistent, effective and transparent oversight of fish farming and aquaculture, or until the government releases a detailed plan of where farms should go and gives the public a real say in decision-making.

1472 **Senator McKim:** To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) that since 2012, the Mount Wellington Cable Car company has been attempting to construct a cable car on kunanyi/Mount Wellington, in Hobart, Tasmania,

- (ii) concerns that the link road will impact the rare forest habitat of threatened flora and fauna listed under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*,
 - (iii) that this development has been opposed by:
 - (A) the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre,
 - (B) the Wellington Park Management Trust,
 - (C) the Hobart City Council, which voted against any cable car infrastructure being built on council land,
 - (D) the Cascade Brewery, owned by Carlton & United Breweries, which ruled out selling or leasing any of its land to the development, and
 - (E) thousands of Hobartians who have signed petitions, attended rallies and lodged submissions opposing the development's application and masterplan,
 - (iv) that to circumvent opposition that could block the development, the Tasmanian Liberal Government introduced the *Cable Car (kunanyi/Mount Wellington) Facilitation Act 2017*, which:
 - (A) exempts the cable car project from the landowner consent requirements for public land,
 - (B) allows land within Wellington Park and airspace required for the project to be acquired,
 - (C) removes the need for Council consent to the acquisition,
 - (D) allows the Minister to grant access for planning activities, and
 - (E) prohibits any acquired land being sold to the proponent, and
 - (v) that on 13 February 2019, the Tasmanian Liberal Government further circumvented the will of the Hobart City Council and its constituents by granting the Wellington Cableway Company authority to access council land and carry out works that will include drilling up to 32 bore holes, and removing flora and fauna; and
- (b) opposes the construction of a cable car on kunanyi/Mount Wellington.

1473 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) that the Environmental Protection Authority of Western Australia (the Authority) is supposed to be an independent authority that provides independent, public advice to the Minister for the Environment,
 - (ii) in March 2019, the Authority released updated guidelines on mitigating greenhouse gas emissions from new or expanding projects, suggesting proposals with direct emissions above 100,000 tonnes a year of carbon dioxide equivalent should be fully offset, and

- (iii) the Authority abandoned the recommendation to the state Government that new emissions intensive projects should be carbon neutral following intense lobbying of the Western Australian State Premier by the fossil fuel industry, including Perth-based company Woodside;
- (b) recognises that we are in a climate emergency and that the IPCC have warned that we only have 12 years to limit catastrophic climate change; and
- (c) condemns the Western Australian Government for bowing to pressure from the oil and gas sector.

Notice given 3 April 2019

*1474 **Senators Farrell and Brown:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Special Olympics is a global movement that focuses on the importance of social inclusion and the need for more support for people living with disability;
- (b) records its congratulations for the 106 athletes who represented Australia at the Special Olympics held in Abu Dhabi from 8 to 21 March 2019;
- (c) notes that the Australian team won 42 gold medals, 44 silver medals, 55 bronze medals, and a further 42 awards for placing 4-8 in Olympic events;
- (d) thanks the many families, trainers, supporters and sponsors of the Australian Special Olympics team; and
- (e) notes that Special Olympics Australia has been operating for more than 40 years, promoting positive community attitudes towards disability, sport for all Australians and providing people with intellectual disability with opportunities to take part in a range of sports at various levels of competition all year round.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (14 May 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on the 2019-20 Budget estimates.

On the tenth sitting day of 2019 (28 May 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2018.

On 30 May 2019

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 3 April 2019

- *1 **Senator McKim:** To move—That the Migration (Fast Track Applicant Class - Temporary Protection and Safe Haven Enterprise Visas) Instrument 2019, made under the *Migration Act 1958*, be disallowed [F2019L00506].

Fifteen sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

On 3 June 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 **Regulations and Ordinances—Standing Committee**

Report to be presented on the continuing effectiveness, role and future direction of the committee.

General Business—Notices of Motion

Notice given 14 February 2019

- 1424 **Senator Anning:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Regional Investment Corporation Act 2018*, and for related purposes. ***Regional Investment Corporation Amendment (National Development) Bill 2019.***

Notice of motion altered on 20 March 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.

- 1426 **Senator Anning:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for citizen initiated referendums, and for related purposes. ***Democratising Lawmaking Bill 2019.***

On 4 June 2019

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 18 October 2018

- 1 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by the first sitting Wednesday in March 2019:

The continuing discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender diverse, intersex and queer people and their families in Australia, its prevalence and its impacts, including:

- (a) existing discrimination within federal, state and territory law and policy;
- (b) experience of discrimination in Australian life, including but not limited to, educational settings, workplaces, aged care, healthcare, sporting clubs and organisations, religious organisations, the provision of government services, including where contracted out, and in the provision of goods, services, housing and accommodation;

- (c) where discrimination is sanctioned by federal, state and territory legislation, and where it is occurring in breach or potential breach of legislation;
- (d) how this discrimination affects the human rights, legal rights, access to justice, health, wellbeing and educational and economic outcomes of LGBTIQ+ people in Australia;
- (e) the additional and compounding impacts of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families who are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, of different or minority race, ethnicity or religion, or on the grounds of their migrant status, age, ability and socio-economic background or circumstances, who have intersectional LGBTIQ+ identities, or who have a range of these personal characteristics;
- (f) how the experience of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families differs for young people;
- (g) how the experience of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families differs based on whether they live in urban, regional, rural or remote areas;
- (h) the specific discrimination, stigmatisation and human rights violations, including harmful practices in medical settings, experienced by people born with variations of sex characteristics, including infants, children and adolescents, and also encompassing prenatal interventions due to variations of sex characteristics;
- (i) the broad range of sexual orientation and gender identity change efforts and associated formal and informal activities, particularly by religious organisations, and the impacts of these on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender diverse and queer people; and
- (j) any other related matters.

On 17 June 2019

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 14 February 2019

- 1425 **Senator Anning:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for a plebiscite at the next general election in relation to migration to Australia, and for related purposes. ***Plebiscite (Allowing Australians to Decide Who Comes Here) Bill 2019.***

On 27 June 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Report to be presented on air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities.

On the last sitting day in June 2019 (27 June 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

Report to be presented on regional inequality in Australia.

On 30 June 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Fair Dinkum Power—Select Committee

Report to be presented.

On 12 August 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019. (*Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.*)

On the second sitting day in August 2019 (13 August 2019)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Report to be presented on emergency response at Australian airports.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Report to be presented on Australian shipping.

On 19 August 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Report to be presented on a National Horse Traceability Register.

On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2019 (10 September 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2019.

On 17 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee

Report to be presented on the impact of feral deer, pigs and goats in Australia.

On 13 November 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee

Report to be presented on Australia's faunal extinction crisis.

**Within 6 months of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral
Matters receiving the reference**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee

Report to be presented on a review of the operation of the amendments, dealing with foreign donations and related matters, made by the Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Act 2018, to commence on the second anniversary for the Royal Assent of the *Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Act 2018*.

OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2019 ‡

Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (*referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 13 May 2019*)

Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019 ‡

Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (*referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 12 August 2019*)

‡ Reference adopted by the Senate following a recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee.

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills

Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017

Discharged, 18 October 2017 (pursuant to the order of the Senate of 13 September 2017).

Plebiscite (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill 2016

Second reading negatived, 7 November 2016.

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Omnibus Savings and Child Care Reform) Bill 2017

Discharged, 23 March 2017.

Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan No. 2) Bill 2017

Question that the bill be agreed to was negatived in committee of the whole, 22 August 2018.

Private senators' bills

A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Amendment (Make Electricity GST Free) Bill 2017

Second reading negatived, 7 September 2017.

Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment (Debt Ceiling) Bill 2018

Second reading negatived, 13 August 2018.

Lands Acquisition Amendment (Public Purpose) Bill 2017

Second reading negatived, 14 September 2017.

Plebiscite (Allowing Australians to Decide Who Comes Here) Bill 2018

First reading negatived, 26 November 2018

Plebiscite (Restricting Non-European Migration) Bill 2018

First reading negatived, 18 October 2018

Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015

Second reading negatived, 15 August 2018.

Social Security Amendment (Caring for People on Newstart) Bill 2017

Second reading negatived, 14 August 2017.



QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

Nos 315, 494, 524, 525, 644, 775, 879, 897, 948, 951, 989 to 995, 1000, 1102, 1107, 1112, 1113, 1196, 1200, 1205, 1219 to 1221, 1223, 1225.

Question nos, as shown, from 315 to 1205 remain unanswered for 30 or more days (see standing order 74(5)).

The full text of Questions on Notice and their answers are available online at www.aph.gov.au/qon.

ORDERS OF THE SENATE

Allocation of departments/agencies

That departments and agencies be allocated to legislative and general purpose standing committees as follows:

Community Affairs

Health

Social services, including Human Services

Economics

Industry, Innovation and Science

Treasury

Education and Employment

Education and Training

Jobs and Small Business

Environment and Communications

Communications and the Arts

Environment and Energy

Finance and Public Administration

Finance

Parliament

Prime Minister and Cabinet

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Defence, including Veterans' Affairs

Foreign Affairs and Trade

Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Attorney-General

Home Affairs

*Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
Agriculture and Water Resources
Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities.*

(Agreed to 31 August 2016; varied 12 February, 15 February and 17 September 2018)

Environment and Communications References Committee—Determination of committee chair—Standing order 25(9)

That, pursuant to standing order 25(9), the Senate determines:

- (a) that the chair of the Environment and Communications References Committee shall be elected by that committee from members nominated by minor parties or independent senators; and
- (b) that this order remain in effect until the President is duly notified of an agreement that meets the terms of standing order 25(9)(c).

(Agreed to 2 November 2011; varied 13 September 2016)

Estimates hearings—2018-19 additional estimates; 2019-20 Budget estimates

- (1) That estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2019 be scheduled as follows:

2018-19 additional estimates:

Monday, 18 February and Tuesday, 19 February (Group A)

Wednesday, 20 February and Thursday, 21 February (Group B).

2019-20 Budget estimates:

Thursday, 4 April, Monday, 8 April and Tuesday, 9 April, and, if required, Friday, 12 April (Group A)

Friday, 5 April and Wednesday, 10 April to Thursday, 11 April, and, if required, Friday, 12 April (Group B)

Monday, 21 October and Tuesday, 22 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)

Wednesday, 23 October and Thursday, 24 October (supplementary hearings—Group B).

- (2) That pursuant to the order of the Senate of 26 August 2008, cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters be scheduled for Friday, 22 February, Friday, 12 April and Friday, 25 October, but not restricted to these days.
- (3) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 22 February, Friday, 12 April and Friday, 25 October, but not restricted to these days.
- (4) That the committees consider the proposed expenditure in accordance with the allocation of departments and agencies to committees agreed to by the Senate.

- (5) That committees meet in the following groups:
- Group A:**
Environment and Communications
Finance and Public Administration
Legal and Constitutional Affairs
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
- Group B:**
Community Affairs
Economics
Education and Employment
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade.
- (6) That the committees report to the Senate on the following dates:
- (a) Tuesday, 2 April 2019 in respect of the 2018-19 additional estimates;
and
- (b) Tuesday, 14 May 2019 in respect of the 2019-20 Budget estimates.
(*Agreed to 29 November 2018*)

**Estimates hearings—2019-20 Budget estimates—Education and Employment
Legislation Committee—Attendance of minister**

- (a) notes that:
- (i) on 24 October 2017, an unauthorised leak to the media occurred concerning an upcoming raid by the Australian Federal Police and Registered Organisations Commission on the offices of the Australian Workers Union,
- (ii) the then Minister for Employment, Senator Cash, appeared before the Education and Employment Legislation Committee at the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates hearing on 25 October 2017, and misled the Senate five times regarding her office's involvement in the leak, and has since refused to correct the record,
- (iii) Senator Cash has since relied on this evidence, including by providing it in a letter to the Australian Federal Police,
- (iv) since giving evidence:
- (A) former personal staff of Senator Cash have made admissions in court, under oath, about their role in leaking confidential information concerning the raid,
- (B) the Australian Federal Police gave evidence at the 2018-19 additional estimates that Senator Cash sent them a letter in relation to their investigation into the leak which they would not classify as a witness statement, that she refused to provide a witness statement despite at least two requests to do so, and that there was a prima facie case to support a conviction for a criminal offence in relation to the leak, beyond reasonable doubt, and

- (c) the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions gave evidence at the 2018-19 additional estimates that there was a prima facie case to support a conviction for a criminal offence, it was in the public interest to prosecute an offence in relation to the leak, it did not pursue a prosecution because there were not reasonable prospects of a conviction, the failure of certain witnesses to provide witness statements was a factor in it deciding there were not reasonable prospects of a conviction, and Senator Cash did not provide a witness statement to the Australian Federal Police, and
- (v) notes that paragraph 1.3 (iv) of the Ministerial Standards states “Ministers must accept the full implications of the principle of ministerial responsibility. They will be required to answer for the consequences of their decisions and actions”; and
- (b) requires Senator Cash to attend the 2019-20 Budget estimates hearings of the Education and Employment Legislation Committee on Friday, 5 April 2019, in order to answer questions relating to her in relation to her former portfolio responsibilities and provide a full and frank explanation to the Senate regarding the inconsistencies between her original evidence to the committee, and:
 - (i) new evidence provided by former members of her staff in court, under oath, in relation to her office’s involvement, and
 - (ii) subsequent evidence given by the Australian Federal Police and the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions at the 2018-19 additional estimates.

(Agreed to 3 April 2019)

Estimates—Unanswered questions on notice

That the Senate—

- (a) requires legislation committees to set a deadline for the return of answers to questions on notice from the 2018-19 additional estimates of not later than Friday, 29 March 2019; and
- (b) for the 2019-20 Budget estimates only, varies the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014, Estimates hearings - Unanswered questions on notice, to require that the statement required under paragraph (1) of the order be laid on the table by not later than Monday, 1 April 2019.

(Agreed to 13 February 2019)

Indigenous Advancement Strategy—Grant applications—Order for production of documents (no. 1175)

- (1) That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, by no later than 9.30 am on 15 November 2018:
 - (a) the advice provided by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to the Minister regarding the grants to the Northern Territory Cattlemen's Association (NTCA), the Amateur Fishermen's Association of the Northern Territory (AFANT) and the Northern Territory Seafood Council (NTSC) that were referred to during the 2018-19 supplementary Budget estimates cross-portfolio hearings of the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee on 26 October 2018;
 - (b) copies of the grant applications by the NTCA, AFANT and NTSC for funding from the Indigenous Advancement Strategy; and
 - (c) any correspondence, or any other information including briefs, meeting and file notes from or to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs about these grants.
- (2) At the conclusion of question time on 15 November 2018, and any day after that period, a senator may ask the relevant minister for an explanation of the response to the order contained in paragraph (1) or for an explanation of the failure to respond, and:
 - (a) the senator may, at the conclusion of the explanation, move without notice—That the Senate take note of the explanation; or
 - (b) in the event that the minister does not provide an explanation, the senator may, without notice, move a motion in relation to the minister's failure to provide either a response or an explanation.

(Agreed to 13 November 2018)

Meeting of Senate—2019

That the days of meeting of the Senate for 2019 be as follows:

Autumn sittings:

Tuesday, 12 February to Thursday, 14 February

Budget sittings:

Tuesday, 2 April and Wednesday, 3 April

Winter sittings:

Monday, 13 May to Thursday, 16 May

Tuesday, 28 May to Thursday, 30 May

Monday, 3 June to Thursday, 6 June

Monday, 17 June to Thursday, 20 June

Monday, 24 June to Thursday, 27 June

Spring sittings:

Monday, 12 August to Thursday, 15 August
Monday, 19 August to Thursday, 22 August
Monday, 9 September to Thursday, 12 September
Monday, 16 September to Thursday, 19 September
Monday, 14 October to Thursday, 17 October
Monday, 11 November to Thursday, 14 November
Monday, 25 November to Thursday, 28 November
Monday, 2 December to Thursday, 5 December.

(Agreed to 29 November 2018)

Quarterly update of Australia's National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Order of continuing effect

- (1) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, by not later than 5 calendar months after each:
 - (a) 31 March;
 - (b) 30 June;
 - (c) 30 September; and
 - (d) 31 Decemberthe quarterly update of Australia's National Greenhouse Gas Inventory.
- (2) If the Senate is not sitting when a quarterly update is ready for presentation, the statement is to be presented to the President under standing order 166.
- (3) This order is of continuing effect.

(Agreed to 17 October 2018)

Rotation of senators

That, pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, the senators chosen for each state be divided into two classes, as follows:

- (1) Senators listed at positions 7 to 12 on the certificate of election of senators for each state shall be allocated to the first class and receive 3 year terms.
- (2) Senators listed at positions 1 to 6 on the certificate of election of senators for each state shall be allocated to the second class and receive 6 year terms.

(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

That—

- (a) as soon as practicable, after the High Court orders a special count of the ballots from the 2016 Senate election for any state and makes an order declaring that a person identified by that count is duly elected as a senator for that state, there be laid on the table a copy of the statement of results report for that count; and

- (b) if such a report is tabled, in relation to any state, then the order of the Senate of 31 August 2016, made pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, have effect in relation to senators from that state as if a reference to the certificate of election were a reference to the most recent statement of results report.

(Agreed to 13 February 2018)

Senators' qualifications

That the Senate require all senators to provide statements in relation to disqualification under sections 44 or 45 of the Constitution in the following terms:

Register of Senators' qualifications relating to sections 44 and 45 of the Constitution

- (1) The Registrar of Senators' Interests shall, in accordance with procedures determined by the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests, maintain a Register of senators' qualifications (the Register), comprising material:
 - (a) provided by senators elected or appointed during the 45th Parliament, and entered into the Register of Senators' Interests as 'Statements in relation to citizenship';
 - (b) tabled on behalf of the Australian Electoral Commission in accordance with s.181B of Part XIV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* in respect of elected senators;
 - (c) provided by senators appointed to fill casual vacancies, in a disclosure form prescribed by the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests; and
 - (d) provided by senators in accordance with the obligation to provide an attestation, supplementary information, or a statement under paragraphs (5), (6), (7) or (8).
- (2) Other than as provided for in this order, the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests has the same powers and functions in relation to the Register as it does in relation to the Register of Senators' Interests.
- (3) The Registrar shall publish the Register and any supplementary information as soon as practicable after a senator has provided documents to the Registrar, or after tabling of documents on behalf of the Australian Electoral Commission.
- (4) The Registrar shall remove information from the published copy of the Register when a senator ceases to hold office as a senator.

Requirement to provide statements and supplementary information

- (5) Within 28 days of making and subscribing an oath or affirmation in accordance with section 42 of the Constitution, each elected senator shall provide to the Registrar a statement attesting to the Senate the accuracy and completeness of the material provided to, and tabled on behalf of, the Australian Electoral Commission in respect of the senator's last nomination for election in accordance with Part XIV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*.

- (6) In making an attestation in accordance with paragraph (5), a senator may provide supplementary material. Supplementary material may augment, explain, or correct earlier information, but must not result in removal from the Register of material that was previously entered on the Register.
- (7) Within 28 days of making and subscribing an oath or affirmation in accordance with section 42 of the Constitution, each senator appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall provide to the Registrar a statement disclosing qualifications related to sections 44 and 45 of the Constitution.
- (8) If a senator becomes aware that information they have attested to, in accordance with paragraphs (5) or (7), or subsequently provided in accordance with paragraph (6), can no longer be regarded as accurate, the senator shall provide supplementary material to the Registrar as soon as practicable, but no later than 28 days, after the senator becomes aware of the inaccuracy. Such supplementary material does not cause earlier material to be removed from the Register.
- (9) The Standing Committee of Senators' Interests shall prescribe a form or forms for the purposes of paragraphs (5), (6), (7) or (8), which shall be consistent with the disclosure requirements in Part XIV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*.

Consideration of possible disqualification matters

- (10) The Senate will deal with any question concerning a senator's qualification under the Constitution only in accordance with the following procedures, and not otherwise.
- (11) If a senator becomes aware of circumstances that give rise to a possible disqualification under sections 44 or 45, arising from facts not disclosed either on the Register during the immediate preceding Parliament, or in accordance with Part XIV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, the senator may provide a statement of those circumstances to the President. Any material redacted from the material entered onto the Register, including redactions from documents tabled on behalf of the Australian Electoral Commission is taken not to have been disclosed.
- (12) If, and only if, a matter satisfies the conditions in paragraph (11), the President shall, as soon as practicable, report the matter to the Senate, and the senator who raised the matter may give notice of a motion to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests for inquiry and report.
- (13) Before reporting on such a matter, the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests shall provide a reasonable opportunity for a senator affected by the reference to respond to the allegations, to the evidence before the committee, and to any recommendation the committee proposes to make.

- (14) If, on the evidence before it, the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests considers that there is sufficient doubt about a senator's qualifications, then the committee may recommend that the matter be referred to the Court of Disputed Returns under section 376 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*; however, the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests shall not make such a recommendation unless it determines that the question arises from facts not disclosed either on the Register during the immediate preceding Parliament, or in accordance with Part XIV of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*.
- (15) When a question respecting a senator's qualification turns solely upon the interpretation or application of foreign citizenship law, the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests shall not recommend that the question be referred to the Court of Disputed Returns unless the committee has taken evidence from experts in the relevant foreign law and the committee considers there is a sufficient possibility that the senator is or was a foreign citizen under the relevant foreign law at the relevant time.

Referral to Court of Disputed Returns

- (16) Notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders or any other resolution, no senator may move a motion to refer any question to the Court of Disputed Returns under section 376 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* unless the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests has considered whether the matter be so referred and reported to the Senate. After the committee has made such a report, a senator may, without notice, move to refer the matter to the Court of Disputed Returns.

False statements or omissions regarded as contempt

- (17) Any senator who:
- (a) knowingly fails to provide the material required by this resolution to the Registrar within the required timeframe; or
 - (b) knowingly fails to correct an inaccuracy in any material within the required timeframe; or
 - (c) knowingly provides false or misleading information to the Registrar;
- shall be guilty of a serious contempt of the Senate and shall be dealt with by the Senate accordingly.
- (18) A question of whether any senator has committed such a serious contempt shall first be referred to the Standing Committee of Privileges for inquiry and report.
- (19) This order is of continuing effect.
(*Agreed to 3 April 2019*)

Suspension motions and formal business—Temporary order

That the following temporary order be adopted immediately and have effect until the last sitting day of this Parliament:

The question on any motion to suspend standing orders moved in the following circumstances shall be put immediately without amendment or debate:

- (a) any motion to suspend standing orders to provide for the consideration of a motion for which formality has been denied
- (b) any other motion to suspend standing orders moved during the consideration of formal business under standing order 66.

(Agreed to 28 November 2018 upon adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee's fourth report of 2018)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

- 1 **Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann):** To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a minister moving a motion to provide for the consideration of any matter.

- 2 **Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)**
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator O'Sullivan
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer

To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the conduct of the business of the Senate or to provide for the consideration of any matter.

Formal business

- 3 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator O'Sullivan
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer**

To move (contingent on any senator objecting to a motion being taken as formal)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion being moved immediately and determined without amendment or debate.

- 4 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)**

To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to move an amendment to a motion discovered during formal business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator moving the amendment to the motion.

Limitation of time

- 5 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann):** To move (contingent on the chair declaring that the time allotted for the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill, has expired)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent further consideration of the bill, or the stage of the bill, without limitation of time or for a specified period.

**Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
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Senator Anning
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Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer**

- 6** To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion that a bill be considered an urgent bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent debate taking place on the motion.
- 7** To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion to specify time to be allotted to the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent the motion being debated without limitation of time and each senator speaking for the time allotted by standing orders.
- 8** To move (contingent on the chair declaring that the time allotted for the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill, has expired)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent further consideration of the bill, or the stage of the bill, without limitation of time or for a specified period.

Matters of urgency

9 **Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann):** To move (contingent on the moving of a motion to debate a matter of urgency under standing order 75)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a minister moving an amendment to the motion.

10 **Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)**
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer

To move (contingent on the moving of a motion to debate a matter of urgency under standing order 75)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a senator moving an amendment to the motion.

Order of business

11 **Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)**
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer

To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the order of business on the *Notice Paper*.

Questions without notice

12 **Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)**
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer

To move (contingent on a minister at question time on any day asking that further questions be placed on notice)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion that, at question time on any day, questions may be put to ministers until 30 questions, including supplementary questions, have been asked and answered.

Statements

- 13 **Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)**
Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer

To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to make a statement to the Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator making that statement.

Tabling of documents

- 14 **Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)**
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Senator Anning
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick
Senator Spender
Senator Storer

To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to table a document in the Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving that the document be tabled.



APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

Advisory Council on Australian Archives

Senator Moore (*appointed 15 February 2018, for a period of 3 years*).

Council of the National Library of Australia

Senator Moore (*appointed 10 November 2016, for a period of 3 years*).

Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Trust

Senators Macdonald and Marshall (*appointed 23 June 2011; with effect on and from 1 July 2011, and 7 July 2011, respectively*).

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RICHARD PYE

Clerk of the Senate

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MINISTERIAL REPRESENTATION

MINISTERS	REPRESENTING
Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann Minister for Finance and the Public Service <i>Vice-President of the Executive Council</i> <i>Leader of the Government in the Senate</i>	Prime Minister Treasurer Assistant Treasurer Special Minister of State
Senator the Honourable Bridget McKenzie Minister for Regional Services, Sport, Local Government and Decentralisation	Deputy Prime Minister Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population
Senator the Honourable Simon Birmingham Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment <i>Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate</i>	Minister for Education Minister for the Environment Minister for Energy
Senator the Honourable Nigel Scullion Minister for Indigenous Affairs	Minister for Health Minister for Senior Australians and Aged Care Minister for Indigenous Health
Senator the Honourable Marise Payne Minister for Foreign Affairs	Minister for Women Minister for Jobs and Industrial Relations
Senator the Honourable Mitchell (Mitch) Fifield Minister for Communications and the Arts <i>Manager of Government Business in the Senate</i>	Minister for Families and Social Services Minister for Human Services and Digital Transformation
Senator the Honourable Michaelia Cash Minister for Small and Family Business, Skills and Vocational Education	Attorney-General Minister for Home Affairs Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs
Senator the Honourable Matt Canavan Minister for Resources and Northern Australia	Minister for Industry, Science and Technology Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Drought Preparation and Response
Senator the Honourable Linda Reynolds, CSC Minister for Defence Industry Minister for Emergency Management and North Queensland Recovery	Minister for Defence Minister for Veterans' Affairs Minister for Defence Personnel Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC
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Senator the Honourable Zed Seselja Assistant Minister for Treasury and Finance	
Senator the Honourable David Fawcett Assistant Minister for Defence	
Senator the Honourable Anne Ruston Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific	
Senator the Honourable Richard Colbeck Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources	

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PARLIAMENT AT 8.29 AM ON THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019*

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Members

Senator Gichuhi (Chair), Senator Siewert (Deputy Chair) and Senators Askew, Singh, Dean Smith and Watt

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Georgiou, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

- National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Worker Screening Database) Bill 2018 [provisions] (referred 6 December 2018)

Reports presented

- Additional estimates 2016-17 (tabled 28 March 2017)
- Additional estimates 2017-18 (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 19 October 2018)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (received 13 July 2018)
- Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2017 [provisions]—
Progress report received 13 March 2018)
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- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
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- Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 15 February 2017)
- Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Specimen Collection Centres) Tax Amendment Bill 2018 (consideration of time critical bills) (received 5 June 2018)
- Health Legislation Amendment (Improved Medicare Compliance and Other Measures) Bill 2018 (consideration of time critical bills) (received 5 June 2018)
- Industrial Chemicals Bill 2017 and related bills [provisions] (tabled 8 August 2017)
- My Health Records Amendment (Strengthening Privacy) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 12 October 2018)
- National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016 [provisions] and the National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 11 October 2016)
- National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions]—
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Final report (received 8 November 2017)

- National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 7 November 2016)
- National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2018 [provisions] and the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
Report (received 15 June 2018)
Corrigendum (received 29 June 2018)
- Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2018, the A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018 and the Medicare Levy Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018 (tabled 13 August 2018)
- Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Income Management and Cashless Welfare) Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 1 April 2019)
- Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2018—
Report (received 12 October 2018)
Additional information (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Better Targeting Student Payments) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 1 September 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Repair) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 6 December 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card Trial Expansion) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 14 August 2018)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2018 [provisions]—Report (received 7 May 2018)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Encouraging Self-sufficiency for Newly Arrived Migrants) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
Progress reports (received 4 May, 18 May, 25 May, 15 June, 21 June and 29 June 2018)
Report (tabled 28 November 2018)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Ending Carbon Tax Compensation) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 9 August 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Housing Affordability) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 6 December 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Maintaining Income Thresholds) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 28 November 2018)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Omnibus Savings and Child Care Reform) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 21 March 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 7 September 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Queensland Commission Income Management Regime) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Simplifying Student Payments) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 7 November 2016)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 24 November 2016)
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2016 Measures No. 1) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 27 March 2017)
- Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 2 February 2018)
- Vapourised Nicotine Products Bill 2017 (tabled 14 September 2017)

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Members

Senator Siewert (Chair), Senator Gichuhi (Deputy Chair) and Senators Askew, Keneally, Pratt and Watt

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Georgiou, Griff, Hanson, Hanson Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Reynolds, Rice, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Accessibility and quality of mental health services in rural and remote Australia
Report (tabled 4 December 2018)
Additional information (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Availability and accessibility of diagnostic imaging equipment around Australia—
Progress report (received 7 March 2018)
Report (received 9 March 2018)
- Complaints mechanism administered under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (tabled 10 May 2017)
- Delivery of outcomes under the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020 to build inclusive and accessible communities (tabled 29 November 2017)
- Design, scope, cost-benefit analysis, contracts awarded and implementation associated with the Better Management of the Social Welfare System initiative (tabled 21 June 2017)
- Effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality Assessment and accreditation framework for protecting residents from abuse and poor practices, and ensuring proper clinical and medical care standards are maintained and practised—
Interim report (tabled 13 February 2018)
Final (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Future of Australia's aged care sector workforce (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Future of rugby union in Australia (tabled 15 November 2017)
- Growing evidence of an emerging tick-borne disease that causes a Lyme-like illness for many Australian patients (tabled 30 November 2016)
- Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment (tabled 29 November 2016)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 13 September and 15 September 2016)
- Medical complaints process in Australia (tabled 30 November 2016)
- Mitochondrial donation (tabled 27 June 2018)
- My Health Record system—
Progress report (received 12 October 2018)
Report (tabled 18 October 2018)
- Number of women in Australia who have had transvaginal mesh implants and related matters (tabled 28 March 2018)
- ParentsNext, including its trial and subsequent broader rollout (received 29 March 2019)
- Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework (tabled 11 May 2017)
- Support for Australia's thalidomide survivors—
Interim report (tabled 14 February 2019)
Report (received 22 March 2019)

- Value and affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket costs—
Interim report (received 15 December 2017)
Second interim report (received 18 December 2017)
Final report (received 19 December 2017)

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Portfolios

Industry, Innovation and Science; Treasury

Members

Senator Hume (Chair), Senator Ketter (Deputy Chair) and Senators McAllister, Sinodinos, Stoker and Whish-Wilson

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Askew, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

- Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2019 (referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 13 May 2019)

Reports presented

- Additional estimates 2016-17 (tabled 28 March 2017)
- Additional estimates 2017-18 (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Annual reports referred to legislation committees—Report no. 1 of 2019 (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Australian Business Securitisation Fund Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 26 March 2019)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (tabled 26 June 2018)
- Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 14 September 2016)
- Commonwealth Registers Bill 2019 and related bills [provisions] (received 26 March 2019)
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2016 (tabled 16 February 2017)
- Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2016 (tabled 13 February 2017)
- Corporations Amendment (Modernisation of Members Registration) Bill 2017 (tabled 11 September 2017)
- Customs Amendment (Anti-Dumping Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 6 October 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (Crisis Resolution Powers and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 9 February 2018)
- Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [provisions], Treasury Laws Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016 [provisions], Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions], Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 9 November 2016)
- Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 22 June 2018)
- Lower Tax Bill 2018 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Major Bank Levy Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Treasury Laws Amendment (Major Bank Levy) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 19 June 2017)

- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 11 October 2016)
- Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 and ten related bills [provisions] (tabled 16 October 2017)
- National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
Progress report (received 23 May 2018)
Report (received 5 June 2018)
- National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018 and the National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018—Report (received 7 May 2018)
- Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2018 and the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 13 August 2018)
- Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australia Fund Bill 2018 (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Space Activities Amendment (Launches and Returns) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 13 August 2018)
- Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Supporting Retirement Incomes) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 11 February 2019)
- Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 14 February 2017)
- Timor Sea Maritime Boundaries Treaty Consequential Amendments Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Passenger Movement Charge Amendment (Timor Sea Maritime Boundaries Treaty) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 8 February 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2017 Enterprise Incentives No. 2) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 8 August 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2017 Measures No. 2) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 30 May 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 15 March 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 4) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 13 June 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2018 (tabled 18 June 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Bill 2019 and a related bill [provisions] (received 26 March 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Reforms No. 1) Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 1 April 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Accelerated Depreciation For Small Business Entities) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 30 May 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Accelerated Depreciation for Small Business Entities) Bill 2018 (consideration of time critical bills) (received 30 May 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Banking Executive Accountability and Related Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 24 November 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Combating Illegal Phoenixing) Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 26 March 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Combating Multinational Tax Avoidance) Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Diverted Profits Tax Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 20 March 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Consumer Data Right) Bill 2019 [provisions]—
Progress report (received 6 March 2019)
Report (received 21 March 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Design and Distribution Obligations and Product Intervention Powers) Bill 2018 [provisions]
Corrigendum (received 19 November 2018)
Report (received 9 November 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017—
Progress report (received 16 March 2018)
Final report (tabled 22 March 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Fair and Sustainable Superannuation) Bill 2016 [provisions] and the Superannuation (Excess Transfer Balance Tax) Imposition Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 23 November 2016)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Foreign Resident Capital Gains Withholding Payments) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 14 June 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (GST Low Value Goods) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 9 May 2017)

- Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Accountability and Member Outcomes in Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2017 and the Superannuation Laws Amendment (Strengthening Trustee Arrangements) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 23 October 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Accountability and Member Outcomes in Superannuation Measures No. 2) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 23 October 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Income Tax Relief) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Making Sure Every State and Territory Gets Their Fair Share of GST) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 8 November 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Making Sure Foreign Investors Pay Their Fair Share of Tax in Australia and Other Measures) Bill 2018 [provisions], the Income Tax (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Income Tax Rates Amendment (Sovereign Entities) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 9 November 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Making Sure Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share of Tax in Australia and Other Measures) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
Report (received 11 February 2019)
Additional information (received 15 February 2019)
Corrigenda [2] (received 15 February and 20 February 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (National Housing and Homelessness Agreement) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 6 February 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Personal Income Tax Plan) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 18 June 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Prohibiting Energy Market Misconduct) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 18 March 2019)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Protecting Your Superannuation Package) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 13 August 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Putting Consumers First—Establishment of the Australian Financial Complaints Authority) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 17 October 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Reducing Pressure on Housing Affordability Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment (Near-new Dwelling Interests) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 23 March 2018)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Tax Integrity and Other Measures No. 2) Bill 2018 (tabled 18 June 2018)

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Members

Senator Ketter (Chair), Senator Hume (Deputy Chair) and Senators Keneally, McAllister, Stoker and Whish-Wilson

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniham, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Georgiou, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

- Regional inequality in Australia (referred 14 February 2018; reporting date: the last sitting day in June 2019)

Reports presented

- 2016 Census: issues of trust (tabled 24 November 2016)
- Australia's dairy industry: rebuilding trust and a fair market for farmers (tabled 17 August 2017)
- Australia's general insurance industry: sapping customers of the will to compare (tabled 10 August 2017)
- Australia's steel industry—

Interim report (tabled 1 December 2016)

Final report: Australia's steel industry: forging ahead (received 1 December 2017)

- Carbon risk disclosure—
Interim report (received 7 April 2017)
Carbon risk: a burning issue (final) (received 21 April 2017)
- Commitment to the Senate issued by the Business Council of Australia—
Progress report (received 24 April 2018)
Interim report (received 31 May 2018)
Report (tabled 18 October 2018)
- Corporate tax avoidance (received 30 May 2018)
- Credit and hardship: report of the Senate inquiry into credit and financial products targeted at Australians at risk of financial hardship
Report (received 22 February 2019)
Corrigendum (received 4 April 2019)
- Financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers (tabled 27 November 2018)
- Foreign bribery (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Future of Australia's naval shipbuilding industry (tabled 28 June 2018)
- Governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF)—
Progress report (received 24 April 2018)
Report (received 6 July 2018)
- 'Lifting the fear and suppressing the greed': Penalties for white-collar crime and corporate and financial misconduct in Australia (tabled 23 March 2017)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 11 October 2016)
- Non-conforming building products—
Interim report (received 18 October 2016)
Interim report: aluminium composite cladding (tabled 6 September 2017)
Interim report: asbestos (received 26 October 2017)
Interim report: protecting Australians from the threat of asbestos (received 22 November 2017)
The need for a coherent and robust regulatory regime—Final report (tabled 4 December 2018)
- Personal choice and community impacts: the classification of publications, films and computer games (term of reference e)—Interim report (received 6 May 2016)
- Personal choice and community impacts: the sale and use of tobacco, tobacco products, nicotine products and e-cigarettes (term of reference a)—Interim report (received 6 May 2016)
- Personal choice and community impacts: sale and service of alcohol (term of reference b)—Interim report (received 6 May 2016)
- Regulatory framework for the protection of consumers in the banking, insurance and financial services sector (tabled 15 November 2018)
- Scrutiny of financial advice (received 30 June 2017)
- Selection process for a national radioactive waste management facility in South Australia (tabled 14 August 2018)
- Superbad — Wage theft and non-compliance of the Superannuation Guarantee—
Additional comments by Senator Macdonald (received 4 May 2017)
Final report (received 2 May 2017)
Interim report (received 11 April 2017)
- Toll roads: issues of building, financing and charging (tabled 14 September 2017)

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Portfolios

Education and Training; Jobs and Small Business

Members

Senator Brockman (Chair), Senator Marshall (Deputy Chair) and Senators Askew, Faruqi, O'Neill and Paterson

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Moore, O'Sullivan, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Additional estimates 2016-17—
 - Interim report (received 13 April 2017)
 - Final report (received 19 April 2017)
- Additional estimates 2017-18 (received 4 April 2018)
- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Annual reports referred to legislation committees—Report no. 1 of 2019 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 14 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 22 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (tabled 26 June 2018)
- Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [provisions] and Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [provisions] (received 14 October 2016)
- Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 15 February 2017)
- Education and Other Legislation Amendment (VET Student Loan Debt Separation) Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Student Loans (Overseas Debtors Repayment Levy) Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 15 June 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Fair Work Amendment (Corrupting Benefits) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 9 May 2017)
- Fair Work Amendment (Family and Domestic Violence Leave) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 12 October 2018)
- Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015 (tabled 30 November 2016)
- Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 9 May 2017)
- Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 22 May 2017)
- Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016 [provisions]—
 - Corrigendum (received 11 November 2016)
 - Report (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Fair Work Amendment (Right to Request Casual Conversion) Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 26 March 2019)
- Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 10 November 2017)
- Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [provisions] (received 14 October 2016)

- Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions]—
Interim report (received 6 October 2017)
Report (received 12 October 2017)
- Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Jobs for Families Child Care Package) Bill 2016 [provisions] and the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill 2016 [provisions]—
Corrigendum (received 20 October 2016)
Report (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Higher Education Support (Charges) Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Higher Education Support Amendment (Cost Recovery) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 23 November 2018)
- Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 9 August 2017)
- Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (Student Loan Sustainability) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 16 March 2018)
- Migration Amendment (Skilling Australians Fund) Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Migration (Skilling Australians Fund) Charges Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 9 February 2018)
- Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Executive Remuneration) Bill 2017 (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Seafarers and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions], the Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Bill 2016 [provisions] and the Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Collection Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 7 February 2017)
- Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 28 November 2016)
- VET Student Loans Bill 2016 [provisions], VET Student Loans (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [provisions], VET Student Loans (Charges) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 7 November 2016)

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Members

Senator Marshall (Chair), Senator Brockman (Deputy Chair) and Senators Bilyk, Faruqi, O'Neill and Paterson

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniham, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Sullivan Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Corporate avoidance of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Jobactive: failing those it is intended to serve (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Penalty rates (received 4 October 2017)
- Siege of attrition: the Government's APS Bargaining Policy—
Corrigendum (received 16 December 2016)
Report (tabled 30 November 2016)
- The people behind 000: mental health of our first responders (tabled 14 February 2019)
- They never came home—the framework surrounding the prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia (tabled 17 October 2018)
- Vocational education and training in South Australia—
Progress report (received 28 February 2018)
Report (received 1 March 2018)

- Wage theft? What wage theft?! The exploitation of general and specialist cleaners working in retail chains for contracting or subcontracting cleaning companies (tabled 13 November 2018)
- Work health and safety of workers in the offshore petroleum industry (tabled 23 August 2018)

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Portfolios

Communications and the Arts; Environment and Energy

Members

Senator Duniam (Chair), Senator Rice (Deputy Chair) and Senators Chisholm, Martin, Urquhart and Williams

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Askew, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Additional estimates 2017-18 (tabled 9 May 2018)
- Additional estimates 2016-17 (received 20 April 2017)
- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Budget estimates 2017-18—
interim report (received 20 July 2017)
Report (tabled 18 October 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (tabled 26 June 2018)
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017—
Progress report (received 9 February 2018)
Final report (received 16 February 2018)
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017 (tabled 9 August 2017)
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015—
Interim reports (received 5 May 2016 and 31 March 2017)
Final report (received 13 April 2017)
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017 (received 16 February 2018)
- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [provisions]—Reports (received 5 May 2016; tabled 7 November 2016)
- Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 9 May 2017)
- Clean Energy Finance Corporation Amendment (Carbon Capture and Storage) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 8 May 2018)
- Communications Legislation Amendment (Online Content Services and Other Measures) Bill 2017 (tabled 12 February 2018)
- Communications Legislation Amendment (Regional and Small Publishers Innovation Fund) Bill 2017 (tabled 12 February 2018)
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017 (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Copyright Amendment (Service Providers) Bill 2017 (tabled 19 March 2018)
- Copyright Amendment (Online Infringement) Bill 2018 (tabled 26 November 2018)
- Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017 (tabled 14 September 2017)
- Environment Legislation Amendment (Protecting Dugongs and Turtles) Bill 2019 (received 26 March 2019)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)z

- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Galilee Basin (Coal Prohibition) Bill 2018 (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016 (tabled 30 March)
- Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 30 November 2016)
- Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015 (tabled 29 March 2017)
- National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017 (tabled 26 March 2018)
- Telecommunications Legislation Amendment Bill 2018—
Progress report (received 29 August 2018)
Report (tabled 10 September 2018)
- Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving the Energy Efficiency of Rental Properties) Bill 2018—
Progress report (received 19 November 2018)
Report (received 6 February 2019)
- Water Amendment (Purchase Limit Repeal) Bill 2019 (received 26 March 2019)

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Members

Senator Rice (Chair), Senator Duniam (Deputy Chair) and Senators Chisholm, Keneally, Martin and Urquhart

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Wish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

- Australia's faunal extinction crisis (referred 27 June 2018; reporting date: 13 November 2019)
- Impact of feral deer, pigs and goats in Australia (referred 18 September 2018; reporting date: 17 September 2019)
- Political interference in the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (referred 16 October 2018; proposed reporting date: 1 April 2019)

Reports presented

- Adequacy of the regulatory framework governing water use by the extractive industry (tabled 17 October 2018)
- Allegations of political interference in the Australian Broadcasting Corporation—
Correction (received 8 April 2019)
Progress report (received 28 March 2019)
Report (received 1 April 2019); correction (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Australia's faunal extinction crisis—Interim report (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Continuation of construction of the Perth Freight Link in the face of significant environmental breaches (received 6 March 2017)
- Current and future impacts of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure (tabled 13 August 2018)
- Economic and cultural value of Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services (received 26 March 2019)
- Factory freezer trawlers in the Commonwealth Small Pelagic Fishery (tabled 23 November 2016)

- Gaming micro-transactions for chance-based items (tabled 27 November 2018)
- Great Barrier Reef 2050 Partnership Program (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Harm being done to Australian children through access to pornography on the Internet (tabled 23 November 2016)
- In hot water: the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity (tabled 6 December 2017)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 13 September 2016)
- Oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight (tabled 11 May 2017)
- Participation of Australians in online poker (tabled 18 October 2017)
- Protection of Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula (tabled 21 March 2018)
- Rehabilitation of mining and resources projects and power station ash dams as it relates to Commonwealth responsibilities—
Progress report (tabled 28 November 2018)
Report (received 20 March 2019)
- Response to, and lessons learnt from, the January and February 2016 bushfires in remote Tasmanian wilderness (received 8 December 2016)
- Retirement of coal fired power stations—
Interim report (tabled 1 February 2017)
Final report (tabled 29 March 2017)
- Risks and opportunities associated with the use of the bumblebee population in Tasmania for commercial pollination purposes (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Selection process for a national radioactive waste management facility in South Australia (tabled 14 August 2018)
- Shark mitigation and deterrent measures (received 12 December 2017)
- Waste and recycling industry in Australia—
Progress report (received 12 June 2018)
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Documents presented

- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Prohibition of Live Imports of Primates for Research) Bill 2015—Additional information (tabled 11 October 2016)

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Portfolios

Finance; Parliament; Prime Minister and Cabinet

Members

Senator Paterson (Chair), Senator McAllister (Deputy Chair) and Senators Kitching, Siewert, Dean Smith and Stoker

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Askew, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McCarthy, McGrath, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Amendment (Indigenous Land Corporation) Bill 2018 [provisions], and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land and Sea Future Fund Bill 2018 and a related bill [provisions]—
Progress report (received 1 May 2018)
Report (tabled 8 May 2018)
- Additional estimates 2016-17 (tabled 28 March 2017)
- Additional estimates 2017-18 (tabled 28 March 2018)

- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (received 4 July 2018)
- Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Amendment (Strengthening Governance and Transparency) Bill 2018 (received 11 February 2019)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Future Drought Fund Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Future Drought Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 8 February 2019)
- Government Procurement (Judicial Review) Bill 2017 [provisions] (received 4 August 2017)
- Intelligence Services Amendment (Enhanced Parliamentary Oversight of Intelligence Agencies) Bill 2018 (tabled 12 November 2018)
- Parliamentary Business Resources Bill 2017 [provisions] and the Parliamentary Business Resources (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 10 May 2017)
- Prime Minister and Cabinet Legislation Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017 (tabled 13 June 2017)

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Members

Senator McAllister (Chair), Senator Paterson (Deputy Chair) and Senators Kitching, Siewert, Singh and Stoker

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniham, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson Young, Hinch, Hume, Moore, Keneally, Ketter, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McCarthy, McGrath, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services (tabled 13 October 2016)
- Appropriateness and effectiveness of the objectives, design implementation and evaluation of the Community Development Program (CDP) (received 14 December 2017)
- Arrangements for the postal survey (tabled 13 February 2018)
- Circumstances in which Australians' personal Medicare information has been compromised and made available for sale illegally on the 'dark web' (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians—
Report (tabled 28 November 2016)
Additional comments (tabled 1 December 2016)
- Delivery of National Outcome 4 of the National Plan to reduce violence against women and their children 2010-2022 (received 15 December 2017)
- Domestic violence and gender inequality (tabled 8 November 2016)
- Digital delivery of government services (tabled 27 June 2018)
- Gender segregation in the workplace and its impact on women's economic equality (received 7 June 2017)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 15 September 2016)
- Operation, effectiveness and consequences of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability (Location of Corporate Commonwealth Entities) Order 2016 (received 9 June 2017)
- Operation of the Administrative Arrangements Order, the effectiveness of the division and performance of responsibilities under it, and any other related matters (tabled 23 March 2017)

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Portfolios

Defence, including Veterans' Affairs; Foreign Affairs and Trade

Members

Senator Abetz (Chair), Senator Gallacher (Deputy Chair) and Senators Fierravanti-Wells, McGrath, Moore and Patrick

Participating members

Senators Anning, Askew, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McKim, Molan, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

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- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Australian Veterans' Recognition (Putting Veterans and their Families First) Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 22 March 2019)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 20 June 2017)
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- Civil Nuclear Transfers to India Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 24 November 2016)
- Defence Amendment (Sovereign Naval Shipbuilding) Bill 2018 (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2016 (tabled 7 February 2017)
- Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Infrastructure Financing) Bill 2019 [provisions] (received 26 March 2019)
- Intelligence Services Amendment (Establishment of the Australian Signals Directorate) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 21 March 2018)
- Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Defence Force) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 20 March 2017)
- Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Digital Readiness and Other Measures) Bill 2016 (received 20 February 2017)
- Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Omnibus) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Veteran-centric Reforms No. 2) Bill 2018 (tabled 18 June 2018)

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Members

Senator Gallacher (Chair), Senator Abetz (Deputy Chair) and Senators Kitching, McGrath, Moore and Patrick

Participating members

Senators Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fierravanti-Wells, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Australia's trade and investment relationships with the countries of Africa (tabled 21 June 2018)
- Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities—
 - Interim report (tabled 14 August 2017)
 - Second interim report (tabled 11 September 2017)
 - Third interim report (tabled 19 October 2017)
 - Fourth interim report (tabled 13 February 2018)
 - Final report (received 11 May 2018)
 - Additional information (tabled 14 February and 3 April 2019)
- Implications of climate change for Australia's national security—
 - Progress report (received 17 April 2018)
 - Report (received 17 May 2018)
- Management of credit and other transaction cards by the Department of Defence (tabled 11 May 2017)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 13 September 2016)
- Matters raised by the New South Wales Police Strike Force CIVET (tabled 22 June 2017)
- Operation of the Australian Defence Force's resistance to interrogation training (tabled 27 March 2017)
- Planned acquisition of the F-35 Lightning II (Joint Strike Fighter) (tabled 13 October 2016)
- Proposed Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for the Trans-Pacific Partnership (tabled 18 September 2018)
- Proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement (tabled 7 February 2017)
- The constant battle: Suicide by veterans (tabled 15 August 2017)
- United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Use of the Quinoline anti-malarial drugs Mefloquine and Tafenoquine in the Australian Defence Force—
 - Report (tabled 4 December 2018)
 - Additional information (tabled 14 February 2019)

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Attorney-General; Home Affairs

Members

Senator Macdonald (Chair), Senator Pratt (Deputy Chair) and Senators Hume, McKim, Molan and Watt

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Askew, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson Young, Hinch, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Additional estimates 2016-17 (received 4 May 2017)
- Additional estimates 2017-18 (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Annual reports referred to legislation committees—Report no. 1 of 2019 (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 12 September 2017)
- Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Commitments for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2018 (received 15 March 2019)
- Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 5 September 2017)
- Australian Crime Commission Amendment (Criminology Research) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 9 November 2016)
- Aviation Transport Security Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 16 October 2018)
- Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017 and the Bankruptcy Amendment (Debt Agreement Reform) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 21 March 2018)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (tabled 14 August 2018)
- Civil Law and Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 (tabled 10 May 2017)
- Combatting Child Sexual Exploitation Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 (received 22 March 2019); dissenting report by opposition senators (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017 (received 20 April 2018)
- Crimes Legislation Amendment (International Crime Cooperation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 (tabled 23 March 2017)
- Crimes Legislation Amendment (Powers, Offences and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 8 August 2017)
- Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016 (tabled 7 November 2016)
- Criminal Code Amendment (Impersonating a Commonwealth Body) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 13 November 2017)
- Criminal Code Amendment (Protecting Minors Online) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Customs Amendment (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership Implementation) Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Customs Tariff Amendment (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership Implementation) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 10 October 2018)
- Defence Amendment (Call Out of the Australian Defence Force) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 3 September 2018)
- Criminal Code and Other Legislation Amendment (Removing Commonwealth Restrictions on Cannabis) Bill 2018 (received 14 September 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2017 (received 20 April 2018)
- Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Cross-examination of Parties) Bill 2018 [provisions] (tabled 13 August 2018)
- Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017 (tabled 26 March 2018)
- Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2018 [provisions] and the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
Report (tabled 14 February 2019)
Dissenting report (received 13 March 2019)

- Freedom of Information Legislation Amendment (Improving Access and Transparency) Bill 2018 (received 30 November 2018)
- Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Censorship) Bill 2018, the Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Insult and Offend) Bill 2018 and the Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Security) Bill 2018 (received 8 March 2019)
- Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 (tabled 28 March 2017)
- Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017—
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- Migration Amendment (Clarification of Jurisdiction) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
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Dissenting report from Labor senators (received 6 June 2018)
- Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 10 October 2016)
- Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 16 November 2017)
- Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2017 and the Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Migration Amendment (Streamlining Visa Processing) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 25 February 2019)
- Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2018 [provisions]—
Report (received 17 December 2018)
Dissenting report from Opposition senators (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Migration Amendment (Validation of Decisions) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 4 September 2017)
- Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 28 November 2016)
- Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 17 October 2017)
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Code of Procedure Harmonisation) Bill 2016 (tabled 14 February 2017)
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016 [provisions]—
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- Migration (Validation of Port Appointment) Bill 2018 (tabled 12 September 2018)
- Modern Slavery Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 24 August 2018)
- National Integrity Commission Bill 2018; National Integrity (Parliamentary Standards) Bill 2018 [provisions]; National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2) (received 5 April 2019)
- Native Title Amendment (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Bill 2017 [provisions]—
Interim report (received 17 March 2017)
Final report (tabled 20 March 2017)
- Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016 [provisions] (tabled 7 February 2017)
- Proceeds of Crime Amendment (Proceeds and Other Matters) Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 7 February 2018)
- Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2016 (tabled 9 May 2017)
- Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removing Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018 and all circulated amendments—
Progress report (received 8 February 2019)
Report (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Unexplained Wealth Legislation Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 6 August 2018)

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Members

Senator Pratt (Chair), Senator Macdonald (Deputy Chair) and Senators Kitching, McKim, Molan and Watt

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Adequacy of existing offences in the Commonwealth Criminal Code and of state and territory criminal laws to capture cyberbullying (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Allegations concerning the inappropriate exercise of ministerial powers, with respect to the visa status of au pairs, and related matters (tabled 19 September 2018)
- Conditions and treatment of asylum seekers and refugees at the regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea—Interim report (received 5 May 2016)
- Disputes with financial service providers (received 8 April 2019)
- Effectiveness of the current temporary skilled visa system in targeting genuine skills shortages—
Progress report (received 29 March 2019)
Report (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Establishment of a national registration system for Australian paramedics to improve and ensure patient and community safety (received 5 May 2016)
- Law of contempt (tabled 28 November 2017)
- Legislative exemptions that allow faith-based educational institutions to discriminate against students, teachers and staff (tabled 26 November 2018)
- Nature and scope of any agreement reached by the Commonwealth and Western Australian governments in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of, and litigation concerning, the Bell Group of companies (the proceeds)—
Interim report (tabled 22 March 2017)
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Final report (tabled 21 June 2017)
- Nature and scope of the consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016 (tabled 8 November 2016)
- Need for a nationally-consistent approach to alcohol-fuelled violence—Interim report (received 5 May 2016)
- Practice of dowry and the incidence of dowry abuse in Australia (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Serious allegations of abuse, self-harm and neglect of asylum seekers in relation to the Nauru Regional Processing Centre, and any like allegations in relation to the Manus Regional Processing Centre (received 21 April 2017)
- Whether the conduct of the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield) conformed to the principle of the Ministerial Code of Conduct in relation to his knowledge of former Senator Parry's dual-citizenship status (tabled 4 December 2017)

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Agriculture and Water Resources; Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities

Members

Senator O'Sullivan (Chair), Senator Sterle (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brockman, McCarthy, McGrath and Rice

Substitute members

Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019—Senator Hanson-Young to replace Senator Rice

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Askew, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

- Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019 (referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 12 August 2019)
- Performance of Airservices Australia (referred 15 June 2017) (referred pursuant to standing order 25(2)(a))

Reports presented

- Additional estimates 2016-17 (received 4 May 2017)
- Additional estimates 2017-18 (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Additional estimates 2018-19 (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 11 February 2019)
- Airports Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions]—
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Final report (tabled 19 March 2018)
- Air Services Amendment Bill 2018 (tabled 16 August 2018)
- Annual reports referred to legislation committees—Report no. 1 of 2019 (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Budget estimates 2017-18 (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Budget estimates 2018-19 (tabled 26 June 2018)
- Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 4 December 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016 (tabled 12 October 2016)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017 (tabled 6 September 2017)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 31 October 2017 (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Examination of annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018 (tabled 11 September 2018)
- Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 13 June 2018)
- Regional Investment Corporation Bill 2017 [provisions] (tabled 14 August 2017)
- Road Vehicle Standards Bill 2018 and related bills [provisions]—Report (received 7 May 2018)
- Water Amendment Bill 2018 [provisions] (received 12 June 2018)

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Members

Senator Sterle (Chair), Senator O'Sullivan (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brockman, Chisholm, McCarthy and Rice

Substitute members

Air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities—Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Rice

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Faruqi, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, Paterson, Patrick, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Current inquiries

- Air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities (referred 16 November 2017; reporting date: 27 June 2019)
- A National Horse Traceability Register (referred 12 February 2019; reporting date: 19 August 2019)
- Australian shipping (referred 5 December 2018; reporting date: on the second sitting day in August 2019)
- Emergency response at Australian airports (referred 5 December 2018; reporting date: on the second sitting day in August 2019)

Reports presented

- Airport and aviation security (tabled 30 March 2017)
- Aspects of road safety in Australia (received 26 October 2017)
- Australia's rail industry (tabled 18 October 2017)
- Biosecurity risks associated with the importation of seafood and seafood products (including uncooked prawns and uncooked prawn meat) into Australia—
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- Current and future regulatory requirements that impact on the safe commercial and recreational use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS), Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and associated systems (received 31 July 2018)
- Effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector (tabled 12 September 2017)
- Future role and contribution of regional capitals to Australia (final) (tabled 24 November 2016)
- Importation of seafood and seafood products (tabled 21 March 2017; and recommendation 2 adopted on 21 March 2017 to refer revised terms of reference to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee)
- Increasing use of so-called Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia (received 19 July 2017)
- Independence of regulatory decisions made by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) (received 1 February 2019)
- Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin—
Interim report (tabled 5 December 2017)
Second interim report (tabled 22 March 2018)
Report (tabled 29 November 2018)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 44th Parliament (tabled 15 September 2016)
- Regulation of mobility scooters (tabled 20 September 2018)
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Members

Senator Williams (Chair), Senator Marshall (Deputy Chair) and Senators Chisholm, Martin, Singh and Stoker

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Work of the committee—Annual report

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Members

Senator Polley (Chair), Senator Williams (Deputy Chair) and Senators Duniam, Hume, Rice and Watt

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- 9 (tabled 16 August 2017)
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- 14 (tabled 29 November 2017)
- 15 (tabled 6 December 2017)

Scrutiny Digests—2018

- 1 (tabled 7 February 2018)
- 2 (tabled 15 February 2018)
- 3 (tabled 21 March 2018)
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- 5 (tabled 9 May 2018)
- 6 (tabled 21 June 2018)
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- 13 (tabled 14 November 2018)
- 14 (tabled 28 November 2018)
- 15 (tabled 5 December 2018)

Scrutiny Digests—2019

- 1 (tabled 14 February 2019)
- 2 (received 28 March 2019)

Annual report

- 2016 (tabled 22 March 2017)
- 2017 (tabled 28 March 2018); corrigendum to annual report (tabled 15 August 2018)
- 2018 (tabled 14 February 2019)

Domestic

Appropriations, Staffing and Security

(formerly Appropriations and Staffing; name amended 25 March 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee's first report of 2015 – Amendment of standing order 19)

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Members

The President (Chair), the Deputy President, the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and Senators Fifield, Hume, McGrath and O'Neill

Reports presented

- 58th report—Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2016-17 (received 6 May 2016)
- Annual report 2015-16 (tabled 1 December 2016)
- 59th report—Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2017-18 (received 12 May 2017)
- Annual report 2016-17 (tabled 19 October 2017)
- 60th report—Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2018-19 (tabled 19 June 2018)
- Annual report 2017-18 (tabled 5 December 2018)
- 61st report—Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2019-20 (tabled 3 April 2019)

House

Members

The President (Chair), the Deputy President and Senators Brown, Hume, O'Neill and Urquhart

Library

Members

The President (Chair) and Senators Brockman, Duniam, Gichuhi, Lines and Moore

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Members

Senator O'Neill (Chair), Senator Macdonald (Deputy Chair) and Senators Abetz, Fierravanti-Wells, Kitching, McKim, Singh and Dean Smith

Current inquiries

- Development of a foreign influence transparency scheme (referred 18 October 2018)
- Material delivered to the Clerk of the Senate following execution of search warrant (referred 16 October 2018)
- The matters raised by Senator Burston in correspondence tabled by the President on 16 October 2018 (referred 17 October 2018)

Reports presented

- 163—Status of material seized under warrant—Preliminary report (tabled 1 December 2016)
- 164—Search warrants and the Senate (tabled 28 March 2017)
- 165—Persons referred to in the Senate: Mr Jamie Ware, Board Chair, Redlands College (tabled 22 June 2017)
- 166—Possible improper influence of a witness before the Environment and Communications References Committee (tabled 8 August 2017)
- 167—Persons referred to in the Senate: Ms Jane Carrigan (tabled 17 October 2017)
- 168—Parliamentary privilege and the use of intrusive powers (tabled 28 March 2018)
- 169—Persons referred to in the Senate: Professor Simon Chapman AO (tabled 28 March 2018)
- 170—Persons referred to in the Senate: Miss Lisa Hay and Dr Geoffrey Robinson (tabled 28 March 2018)
- 171—Person referred to in the Senate: Mr John Lloyd, PSM (tabled 16 October 2018)

- 172—Disposition of material seized under warrant (tabled 26 November 2018)
- 173—Persons referred to in the Senate: Mr Danny Eid (tabled 14 February 2019)
- 174—Parliamentary privilege and the use of search warrants (tabled 2 April 2019)
- 175—Possible improper interference with a senator in the free performance of his duties (tabled 2 April 2019)
- 176—Person referred to in the Senate: Mr Ben Davies (tabled 2 April 2019)

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Members

The Deputy President (Chair), the President, the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and Senators Bilyk, Duniam, Fifield, O'Neill, Siewert and Dean Smith

Current inquiries

- Formal business (referred 4 December 2018; reporting date: 3 April 2019)
- Proposed parliamentary code of conduct (referred 29 November 2018; reporting date: 3 April 2019)

Report presented

- First report of 2016—Photography in the chamber; Ministerial statements; Caring for infants (tabled 12 October 2016)
- First report of 2017—Hours of meeting and routine of business; Tracking public interest immunity claims; Absence of a senator during a vote due to misadventure; Mode of dress for senators and possible 'time out' rule; Parliamentary Code for respecting cultural diversity and proposal to amend standing order 193 (tabled 7 December 2017)
- First report of 2018—Hours of meeting and routine of business (tabled 26 June 2018)
- Proposal to replace the parliamentary prayer with an invitation to prayer or reflection (proposed amendments to standing order 50)—Progress report (received 7 September 2018)
- Second report of 2018—Proposal to replace the parliamentary prayer (tabled 13 September 2018)
- Third report of 2018—Disorder outside formal proceedings (tabled 19 September 2018)
- Fourth report of 2018—Suspension motions and formal business (tabled 28 November 2018)
- First report of 2019—Parliamentary code of conduct; Formal business; Closing the Gap statement; Indigenous Australian languages (tabled 3 April 2019)

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Members

Senator Marshall (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brockman, Fierravanti-Wells, Gichuhi, Hume, Keneally and Kitching

Reports presented

- 1st report (tabled 13 October 2016)
- 2nd report (tabled 10 November 2016)
- 3rd report (tabled 1 December 2016)
- 4th report (tabled 16 February 2017)
- 5th report (tabled 30 March 2017)
- 6th report (tabled 11 May 2017)
- 7th report (tabled 22 June 2017)
- 8th report (tabled 17 August 2017)
- 9th report (tabled 14 September 2017)
- 10th report (tabled 19 October 2017)
- 11th report (tabled 16 November 2017)
- Inquiry into printing standards for documents presented to Parliament (tabled 5 December 2017)
- 12th report (tabled 7 December 2017)
- 13th report (tabled 15 February 2018)

Selection of Bills

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Members

The Government Whip (Chair), the Opposition Whip, the Nationals Whip, the Australian Greens Whip, the Derryn Hinch's Justice Party Whip, the Centre Alliance Whip, the Pauline Hanson's One Nation Whip, the United Australia Party Whip, Senator Storer (Independent) and Senators Fifield, Hume, Ketter and O'Neill

Reports presented

2016—

- No. 5 (tabled 1 September 2016)
- No. 6 (tabled 15 September 2016)
- No. 7 (tabled 13 October 2016)
- No. 8 (tabled 10 November 2016)
- No. 9 (tabled 24 November 2016)
- No. 10 (tabled 1 December 2016)

2017—

- No. 1 (tabled 9 February 2017)
- No. 2 (tabled 16 February 2017)
- No. 3 (tabled 23 March 2017)
- No. 4 (tabled 30 March 2017)
- No. 5 (tabled 11 May 2017)
- No. 6 (tabled 15 June 2017)
- No. 7 (tabled 22 June 2017)
- No. 8 (tabled 10 August 2017)
- No. 9 (tabled 17 August 2017)
- No. 10 (tabled 7 September 2017)
- No. 11 (tabled 14 September 2017)
- No. 12 (tabled 19 October 2017)
- No. 13 (tabled 16 November 2017)
- No. 14 (tabled 30 November 2017)
- No. 15 (tabled 7 December 2017)

2018—

- No. 1 (tabled 8 February 2018)
- No. 2 (tabled 15 February 2018)
- No. 3 (tabled 22 March 2018)
- No. 4 (tabled 28 March 2018)
- No. 5 (tabled 10 May 2018)
- No. 6 (tabled 21 June 2018)
- No. 7 (tabled 28 June 2018)
- No. 8 (tabled 16 August 2018)
- No. 9 (tabled 23 August 2018)
- No. 10 (tabled 13 September 2018)
- No. 11 (tabled 20 September 2018)
- No. 12 (tabled 18 October 2018)
- No. 13 (tabled 15 November 2018)
- No. 14 (tabled 29 November 2018)
- No. 15 (tabled 6 December 2018)

2019—

- No. 1 (tabled 14 February 2019)

Senators' Interests

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Members

Senator Bilyk (Chair) and Senators Lines, Marshall, McGrath, Molan, O'Neill, O'Sullivan and Waters

Notifications of alterations of interests

Register of senators' interests incorporating statements of registrable interests and notifications of alterations of interests lodged between—

- 2 December 2015 and 9 May 2016 (tabled 13 September 2016)
- 30 August and 7 October 2016 (tabled 11 October 2016)
- 8 October and 31 December 2016 (tabled 9 February 2017)
- 1 January and 30 June 2017 (received 5 July 2017)
- 1 July and 31 December 2017 (received 19 January 2018)
- 1 January and 30 June 2018 (received 20 July 2018)
- 1 July and 31 December 2018 (received 21 January 2019); corrigendum (tabled 14 February 2019)

Reports presented

2017—

- No. 1 (tabled 20 June 2017)
- No. 2 (received 4 April 2018)

2019—

- No. 1—Annual report 2018 (tabled 14 February 2019)

Select Committees

Current

Fair Dinkum Power

(appointed on 14 November 2018; established on 28 November 2018; reporting date: 30 June 2019)

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Members

Senator Hanson-Young (Chair), Senator Chisholm (Deputy Chair) and Senators Hinch, McAllister, McGrath, Paterson and Storer

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Cameron, Carr, Ciccone, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Faruqi, Farrell, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McCarthy, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Polley, Pratt, Siewert, Singh, Sinodinos, David Smith, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Urquhart, Waters, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Completed

Charity Fundraising in the 21st Century

(appointed 19 June 2018; final report tabled: 14 February 2019)

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Members

Senator Bilyk (Chair), Senator Siewert (Deputy Chair) and Senators Abetz, Burston, David Smith and Stoker

Participating members

Senators Brockman, Brown, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Hanson-Young, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Singh, Dean Smith, Spender, Steele-John, Sterle, Urquhart, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Electric Vehicles

(appointed 27 June 2018; final report received: 30 January 2019)

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Members

Senators Carr, Rice, David Smith, Dean Smith and Storer

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Brockman, Colbeck, Di Natale, Duniam, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson-Young, Hume, Macdonald, Martin, McGrath, McKim, Molan, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Patrick, Reynolds, Siewert, Steele-John, Stoker, Whish-Wilson and Williams

Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill

(appointed 30 November 2016; final report tabled 15 February 2017)

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Members

Senator Fawcett (Chair), Senator Pratt (Deputy Chair) and Senators Kitching, Paterson, Rice, Dean Smith and Williams

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Dastyari, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Gallacher, Gallagher, Hanson-Young, Hume, Ketter, Leyonhjelm, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McKim, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Polley, Reynolds, Siewert, Singh, Sterle, Urquhart, Watt, Whish-Wilson and Wong

Report presented

- Commonwealth Government's Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex)

Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates

(appointed 29 November 2016; report tabled: 28 November 2017)

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Members

Senator Bilyk (Chair), Senator Bushby (Deputy Chair) and Senators Burston, Griff, Hume, Ketter, McCarthy and Dean Smith

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bernardi, Brockman, Brown, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Dastyari, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Gichuhi, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Singh, Sterle, Urquhart, Watt, Williams and Wong

Future of Public Interest Journalism

(appointed 10 May 2017; final report tabled 5 February 2018)

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Members

Senator Bilyk (Chair), Senator Hanson-Young (Deputy Chair) and Senators Duniam, Paterson and Singh

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Brockman, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Di Natale, Dodson, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Gichuhi, Griff, Hanson-Young, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McKenzie, McKim, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Dean Smith, Sterle, Urquhart, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Future of Work and Workers

(appointed 19 October 2017; final report tabled 19 September 2018)

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Members

Senator Watt (Chair), Senator Patrick (Deputy Chair) and Senators Chisholm, Macdonald, Steele-John and Stoker

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Colbeck, Collins, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Hanson-Young, Hume, McKim, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Storer, Urquhart, Whish-Wilson and Wong

Report presented

- Hope is not a strategy – our shared responsibility for the future of work and workers (tabled 19 September 2018)

Health

(committee of the 44th Parliament)

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Report presented

- Hospital funding cuts: the perfect storm – The demolition of Federal-State health relations 2014-16—Final report (received 5 May 2016)

Lending to Primary Production Customers

(appointed 16 February 2017; report tabled: 6 December 2017)

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Members

Senator Hanson (Chair), Senator Williams (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brockman, Chisholm, Hume and Moore

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bilyk, Brown, Burston, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Collins, Dastyari, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Georgiou, Gichuhi, Hanson, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Urquhart and Wong

National Integrity Commission

(appointed 8 February 2017; report tabled 13 September 2017)

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Members

Senator Collins (Chair) and Senators Hinch, O'Sullivan, Dean Smith and Watt

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Dastyari, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Hanson-Young, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McKim, Moore, O'Neill, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Sterle, Urquhart, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Obesity epidemic in Australia

(established on 16 May 2018, pursuant to the order of 10 May 2018; final report tabled 5 December 2018)

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Members

Senator Di Natale (Chair), Senator Singh (Deputy Chair) and Senators Georgiou, Kitching, Paterson, Stoker and Storer

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Hanson-Young, Hume, Keneally, Ketter, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Sinodinos, Dean Smith, Steele-John, Sterle, Stoker, Urquhart, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Political Influence of Donations

(appointed 17 August 2017; variation of appointment 7 September 2017; final report received 6 June 2018)

Members

Senator Di Natale (Chair), Senator Ketter (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brown, Georgiou, Molan and O'Sullivan

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bilyk, Brockman, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Hanson-Young, Hume, Macdonald, McKenzie, McKim, Kitching, Lines, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, Moore, O'Neill, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Red Tape

(appointed 11 October 2016; final report tabled 3 December 2018)

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Members

Senator Leyonhjelm (Chair), Senator Watt (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brockman, Griff and Paterson

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Anning, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Colbeck, Collins, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Hinch, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, Molan, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Urquhart, Williams and Wong

Reports presented

- Effect of red tape on child care—Interim report (tabled 15 August 2018)
- Effect of red tape on environmental assessment and approvals—Interim report (tabled 18 October 2017)
- Effect of red tape on health services—Fifth interim report (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Effect of red tape on occupational licensing—Interim report (tabled 15 August 2018)
- Effect of red tape on pharmacy rules—Fourth interim report (tabled 15 February 2018)
- Effect of red tape on private education—Interim report (tabled 29 November 2018)
- Effect of red tape on the sale, supply and taxation of alcohol—Interim report (tabled 29 March 2017)
- Effect of red tape on tobacco retail—Second interim report (received 27 June 2017)
- Policy and process to limit and reduce red tape—Final report (tabled 3 December 2018)

Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World

(appointed 12 October 2016; final report received 7 April 2017)

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Members

Senator Hanson-Young (Chair), Senator McAllister (Deputy Chair) and Senators Duniam, Gallacher, Roberts and Urquhart

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Dastyari, Di Natale, Dodson, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Leyonhjelm, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McCarthy, McKim, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Report presented

- Stability and affordability: Forging a path to Australia's renewable energy future (received 7 April 2017)

Stillbirth Research and Education

(appointed 27 March 2018; final report tabled 4 December 2018)

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Members

Senator McCarthy (Chair), Senator Molan (Deputy Chair) and Senators Gichuhi, Keneally and Rice

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Colbeck, Collins, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Hume, Ketter, Kitching, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, Martin, McAllister, McGrath, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Urquhart, Watt, Williams and Wong

Strengthening Multiculturalism

(appointed 29 November 2016; established on 27 March 2017; variation of appointment 14 June 2017; report tabled 17 August 2017)

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Members

Senator Di Natale (Chair), Senator Dodson (Deputy Chair) and Senators Duniam, Kitching, Paterson and Singh

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brown, Bushby, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Collins, Dastyari, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Hanson-Young, Hume, Ketter, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McKim, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Dean Smith, Sterle, Urquhart, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Reports presented

- Interim report (tabled 14 August 2017)
- Ways of protecting and strengthening Australia's multiculturalism and social inclusion—Final report (tabled 17 August 2017)

Joint Select Committees

Current

Completed

Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

(appointed 19 March 2018; reporting dates: Interim – 30 July 2018; Final – 29 November 2018)

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Members

Senators Dodson, Duniam, McCarthy, Siewert and Stoker and Ms Burney, Mr Leeser, Ms Ley, Ms McGowan, Dr McVeigh, Mr LS O'Brien and Mr Snowdon

Report presented

- Interim report (received 27 July 2018)
- Final report (tabled 29 November 2018)

Government Procurement

(appointed 1 December 2016; report received 29 June 2017)

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Members

Senator Xenophon (Chair) and Senators Abetz, Bushby, Carr, Kitching and Mr Goodenough, Ms Ley, Ms Sharkie, Ms Swanson and Mr Zappia

Participating members

Senators Bilyk, Brown, Cameron, Chisholm, Collins, Dastyari, Dodson, Duniam, Farrell, Fawcett, Gallacher, Gallagher, Hume, Ketter, Leyonhjelm, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, Moore, O'Neill, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Singh, Dean Smith, Sterle, Urquhart, Watt, Williams and Wong

Report presented

- Buying into our future: Review of amendments to the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (received 29 June 2017)

Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse – oversight of redress related recommendations

(appointed 19 June 2017; established on 15 December 2017 (following the tabling of the final report of the Royal Commission on 15 December 2017); final report tabled 2 April 2019)

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Members

Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch, Chair), Ms Claydon (Deputy Chair) and Senators Duniam, Moore and Siewert and Mr Dick, Mr Irons, Mr CAS Laundry and Mrs Sudmalis

Participating members

Senators Brockman, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Fierravanti-Wells, Gichuhi, Hanson-Young, McGrath, McKim, Molan, Rice, Spender, Stoker, Storer, and Whish-Wilson

Report presented

- Getting the National Redress Scheme right: an overdue step towards justice (tabled 2 April 2019)

Joint Standing Committees

Electoral Matters

(appointed 12 September 2016)

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Members

Mr Giles (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brown, Ketter, McGrath, O'Sullivan and Waters and Mr Buchholz, Mr Dick, Mr Giles, Mr Morton, Mr Pitt and Mrs Wicks

Current inquiries

- *Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Act 2018* – review of the Act (referred 6 December 2018; reporting date: within 6 months of receiving the reference, on the second anniversary for the Royal Assent of the *Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Act 2018*)

Participating members

[for the committee's inquiry into matters relating to Section 44 of the Constitution]

Senators Di Natale, Gichuhi, Hanson-Young, McKim, Molan, Rice, Siewert, Steele-John and Whish-Wilson

Reports presented

- Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018 (received 29 March 2019)
- Conduct of the 2016 federal election and matters related thereto (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Bill 2017—
Advisory report (received 9 April 2018)
Second advisory report (tabled 15 October 2018)
Addendum (received 10 April 2018)
- Excluded: the impact of section 44 on Australian democracy—Report (received 17 May 2018)
- Inquiry into decisions made by the Court of Disputed Returns (tabled 6 February 2018)
- Status report (received 29 March 2019)

- The 2016 Federal Election—
Interim report on the authorisation of voter communication (received 9 December 2016)
Second interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2016 federal election: Foreign donations (received 10 March 2017)
Third interim report on the inquiry into the conduct of the 2016 federal election: AEC modernisation (tabled 22 June 2017)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

(appointed 12 September 2016)

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Members

Mr Champion (Deputy Chair) and Senators Abetz, Faruqi, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Kitching, Macdonald, McCarthy, Molan, Moore, Singh, and Dean Smith and Dr Aly, Mr KJ Andrews, Mr Chester, Ms Claydon, Mr Crewther, Mr Danby, Mr Drum, Mr C Kelly, Mr Laming, Ms Ley, Mr O'Brien, Mr Ramsey, Mr Perrett, Mr Snowdon, Mrs Sudmalis, Ms Swanson, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Wallace and Mr Zimmerman

Current inquiries

- Australia's trade and investment relationship with the United Kingdom (referred 8 December 2016)
- Status of the human right to freedom of religion or belief (referred 29 November 2016)

Reports presented

- Australia's aid program in the Indo-Pacific—First report (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Australia's trade and investment relationship with the United Kingdom—Interim report (tabled 19 October 2017)
- A world without the death penalty: Australia's advocacy for the abolition of the death penalty (tabled 31 August 2016)
- Compassion, not commerce: an inquiry into human organ trafficking and organ transplant tourism (tabled 5 December 2018)
- Contestability and consensus – a bipartisan approach to more effective parliamentary engagement with Defence (tabled 15 November 2018)
- Food for thought: improving health and nutrition in the Indo-Pacific region (tabled 31 August 2016)
- Freedom of religion and belief, the Australian experience—Second interim report (tabled 3 April 2019)
- From little things big things grow: Supporting Australian SMEs go global: inquiry into access to free trade agreements by small and medium enterprises (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Hidden in plain sight: An inquiry into establishing a Modern Slavery Act in Australia (tabled 7 December 2017)
- Legal foundations of religious freedom in Australia—Interim report (tabled 30 November 2017)
- Management of PFAS contamination in and around Defence bases (tabled 3 December 2018)
- Modern slavery and global supply chains: Inquiry into establishing a modern Slavery Act in Australia—Interim report (tabled 5 September 2017)
- Review of the Defence annual report 2015-16 (tabled 7 December 2017)
- Transition from the Australian Defence Force (ADF) (tabled 3 April 2019)

Migration

(appointed 12 September 2016)

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Members

Senators Keneally, McKim, Molan and Paterson and Mr Georganas, Mr Neumann, Mr L.S. O'Brien, Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Vasta and Mr Wood

Reports presented

- Efficacy of current regulation of Australian migration and education agents (received 27 February 2019)
- No one teaches you how to become an Australian: Report of the inquiry into migrant settlement outcomes: Corrigenda (received 30 January 2018; tabled 6 February 2018)
Report (received 11 December 2017)
Report (tabled 27 June 2018)
- Review processes associated with visa cancellations made on criminal grounds (received 27 February 2019)
- Seasonal change: Inquiry into the Seasonal Worker Programme (tabled 31 August 2016)

National Broadband Network

(appointed 14 September 2016)

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Members

Mrs Prentice (Chair), Mr JH Wilson (Deputy Chair) and Senators Georgiou, Griff, Hume, Ketter, O'Neill, Dean Smith, Steele-John and Urquhart and Ms Brodtmann, Dr Gillespie, Mr Howarth, Mr Jones, Ms McGowan, Mr B Mitchell and Mrs Wicks

Participating members

Senators Abetz, Bernardi, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Burston, Cameron, Carr, Chisholm, Ciccone, Colbeck, Di Natale, Dodson, Duniham, Farrell, Fawcett, Fierravanti-Wells, Gallacher, Gichuhi, Hanson, Hanson-Young, Hinch, Lines, Macdonald, Marshall, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, McKenzie, McKim, Molan, Moore, O'Sullivan, Paterson, Polley, Pratt, Reynolds, Rice, Siewert, Singh, Spender, Sterle, Stoker, Storer, Watt, Whish-Wilson, Williams and Wong

Reports presented

- Rollout of the National Broadband Network: 1st report of the 45th Parliament (received 29 September 2017)
- Rollout of the NBN in regional and rural Australia, and NBNCo's business case—Progress report (received 24 September 2018)
- Rollout of the NBN in rural and regional areas—2nd report of the 45th Parliament (received 19 November 2018); corrigendum (tabled 4 December 2018)

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Members

Mr Morton (Chair), the Deputy President and Chair of Committees, the Deputy Speaker and Senators Duniham, McCarthy, Paterson and David Smith and Ms Brodtmann, Mr Coulton, Mr Leeser, Ms Ley, Dr McVeigh and Mr Snowdon

Report presented

- Commonwealth approvals for ACT light rail (tabled 13 November 2018)
- Strategic importance of Australia's Indian Ocean Territories (tabled 12 September 2017)
- Telling Australia's Story – and why it's important: Report on the inquiry into Canberra's national institutions (received 8 April 2019)

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Members

Mr KJ Andrews (Chair), Senator Gallacher (Deputy Chair) and Senators Askew, Brockman, Brown and Steele-John and Ms Burney, Ms Husar, Mrs Sudmalis and Mr Wallace

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Accommodation for people with disabilities and the NDIS (tabled 31 August 2016)
- General issues around the implementation and performance of the NDIS—
Progress report (tabled 7 September 2017)
Progress report (received 29 March 2019)
- Market readiness for provision of services under the NDIS (tabled 20 September 2018)
- NDIS ICT systems (received 8 January 2019)
- Provision of assistive technology under the NDIS (received 12 December 2018)
- Provision of hearing services under the National Disability Insurance Scheme—
Interim report (tabled 14 September 2017)
Final report (tabled 26 June 2018)
- Provision of services under the NDIS Early Childhood Early Intervention approach (tabled 6 February 2018)
- Provision of services under the NDIS for people with psychosocial disabilities related to a mental health condition (tabled 15 August 2017)
- Transitional arrangements for the NDIS (tabled 15 February 2018)

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Members

Senators Dodson, Macdonald, McCarthy, Siewert and Dean Smith and Mr Entsch, Ms M Landry, Mr O'Dowd, Ms O'Toole, Ms Price and Mr Snowdon

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- Northern horizons: Unleashing our tourism potential—Inquiry into opportunities and methods for stimulating the tourism industry in northern Australia (tabled 28 June 2018)

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Mr Ramsey (Joint Chair), Senator Lines (Joint Chair) and Senators Brockman, Duniam, Gichuhi and Moore and Mr Broadbent, Mr Byrne, Dr Freeland, Ms Stanley, Mr van Manen and Mr Zimmerman

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Members

Senators Abetz, Chisholm, Martin and Watt and Mr Hart, Mr Khalil, Mr O'Dowd, Mr R Wilson and Mr TR Wilson

Current inquiries

- Trade system and the digital economy (adopted 17 August 2017)

Reports presented

- Austrade's role in attracting investment in Australia (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Leveraging our advantages: The trade relationship between Australia and Indonesia (tabled 20 June 2017)
- Trade and the digital economy (tabled 20 September 2018)

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Senators Brockman, Hanson-Young, Keneally, Kitching, Macdonald, McAllister and McGrath and Mr Alexander, Mr Broadbent, Mr Crewther, Mr Danby, Ms Marino, Mr Robert, Ms Templeman, Mr Vasta, Mr Wallace and Mr JH Wilson

Reports presented

- 163—Paris Agreement, Kyoto Protocol – Doha Amendment (tabled 8 November 2016)
- 164—Air Services – Kuwait; Air Services – Bahrain (tabled 24 November 2016)
- 165—Trans-Pacific Partnership (tabled 30 November 2016)
- 166—Implementation procedures for Airworthiness-USA; Convention on choice of courts-accession; GATT schedule of concessions-amendment; Radio regulations-partial revision (tabled 24 November 2016)
- 167—Nuclear Cooperation-Ukraine; Extradition-China (received 19 December 2016)
- 168—Certain maritime arrangements—Timor-Leste (tabled 30 March 2017)
- 169—Future Submarine Program – France, Classified Information Exchange (received 13 April 2017)
- 170—Social Security Agreement – New Zealand; Nuclear Research Cooperation Agreement; Loan Agreement – International Monetary Fund; Harmonization of Wheeled Vehicles – Revision (tabled 10 May 2017)
- 171—International trade in endangered species; women in combat duties; and generation IV nuclear energy (tabled 20 June 2017)
- 172—Singapore Free Trade Agreement – Amendment; Defence supplies and services – Japan (tabled 9 August 2017)
- 173—Consular functions in Macau – China; Montreal Ozone Layer-amendment (tabled 7 September 2017)
- 174—IMF new arrangements to borrow; Scientific Cooperation USA; Science Research Foundation NZ; Technological Innovation Israel (tabled 17 October 2017)
- 175—OECD Tax Measures BEPS; International Solar Alliance – agreement; Air Services – three agreements (tabled 28 November 2017)
- 176—Air Force Training – Singapore; Deployment of Personnel – Solomon Islands; Space Tracking – USA (tabled 20 March 2018)
- 177—Extradition – Jordan; Mutual Legal Assistance – Jordan (tabled 20 March 2018)
- 178—Bonn Convention – amendments; Universal Postal Union – amendments (tabled 28 March 2018)
- 179—Reprocessing Nuclear Fuel-France; PACER Plus (tabled 9 May 2018)
- 180—Peru FTA; EU Framework Agreement; Timor Treaty – Maritime Boundaries; WIPO Australian Patent Office; Scientific Technical Cooperation: Italy and Brazil (tabled 15 August 2018)
- 181—Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for the Trans-Pacific Partnership (tabled 22 August 2018)
- 182—Oil stocks contracts – Netherlands (tabled 19 September 2018)
- 183—Visit to India and Indonesia, 2 to 10 August 2018 (tabled 18 October 2018)
- 183—Aspects of the Peru-Australia Free Trade Agreement revisited (received 21 November 2018)
- 184—Nuclear Cooperation UK (tabled 28 November 2018)
- 185—Defence support-France; WTO government procurement; prisoner transfers-UAE (received 22 March 2019)

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Members

Senator Stoker (Chair), Senator Bilyk (Deputy Chair) and Senators O'Sullivan and Watt and Mr Broadbent, Mr Buchholz, Mrs Elliott, Mr L O'Brien, Mr Sukkar and Mr Zappia

Current inquiries

- Integrity of Australia's border arrangements (adopted 11 October 2016)

Reports presented

- Examination of the annual report for 2015-16 of the Integrity Commissioner (received 24 April 2018)
- Examination of the annual report for 2016-17 of the Integrity Commissioner (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (tabled 31 August 2016)

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Members

The Speaker (Chairman), the President (Vice Chairman), Senators Farrell and Dean Smith, Mr KJ Andrews, Ms Bird, Mr Christensen, Ms Templeman and Mr Vasta

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Members

Mr Sukkar (Chair), Senator Chisholm (Deputy Chair) and Senators Hume, Ketter, Whish-Wilson and Williams and Mr Falinski, Ms Kearney, Mr Keogh and Mr van Manen

Current inquiries

Reports presented

- Fairness in franchising (received 14 March 2019)
- Life insurance industry (tabled 28 March 2018)
- Options for greater involvement by private sector life insurers in worker rehabilitation (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Report on the 2015-16 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act (tabled 14 June 2017)
- Report on the 2016-17 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act (received 26 July 2018)
- Report on the 2017-18 annual reports of bodies established under the ASIC Act (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Statutory oversight of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, the Takeovers Panel and the Corporations Legislation—Report no. 1 of the 45th Parliament (tabled 2 April 2019)
- Whistleblower protections (tabled 14 September 2017)

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Members

Mr Goodenough (Chair), Mr Perrett (Deputy Chair) and Senators Brown, Gichuhi, McKim, Moore and Paterson and Mr Broadbent, Ms M King and Mr Leeser

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- 7th report (tabled 12 October 2016)
- 8th report (tabled 10 November 2016)
- 9th report (tabled 23 November 2016)
- 10th report (tabled 1 December 2016)

Reports presented—2017: human rights scrutiny

- 1st report (tabled 16 February 2017)
- 2nd report (tabled 22 March 2017)
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Reports presented—2018: human rights scrutiny

- 1st report (tabled 7 February 2018)
- 2nd report (tabled 15 February 2018)
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- Annual report 2014-15 (tabled 6 December 2017)
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- Annual report 2016-17 (tabled 21 June 2018)
- Annual report 2018 (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Freedom of speech in Australia: Inquiry into the operation of Part IIA of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* (Cth) and related procedures under the *Australian Human Rights Commission Act 1986* (Cth) (tabled 21 March 2017)

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Members

Mr Hastie (Chair), Mr Byrne (Deputy Chair) and Senators Abetz, McAllister, Molan, Stoker and Wong and Mr Dreyfus, Mr Leaser, Dr M Kelly and Mr Wood

Current inquiries

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- Annual report of committee activities 2015-16 (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Annual report of committee activities 2016-17 (tabled 5 December 2017)
- Annual report of committee activities 2017-18 (tabled 20 September 2018)
- ASIO's questioning and detention powers (tabled 19 June 2018)
- Australian Citizenship Amendment (Strengthening the Citizenship Loss Provisions) Bill 2018—Advisory report (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2018 (received 7 June 2018)
- Counter-Terrorism (Temporary Exclusion Orders) Bill 2019 (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Crimes Legislation Amendment (Police Powers at Airports) Bill 2018—Advisory report (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Criminal Code Amendment (War Crimes) Bill 2016—Advisory report (received 18 November 2016)
- Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Bill 2017[2018]—Advisory report (tabled 26 March 2018)
- Home Affairs and Integrity Agencies Legislation Amendment Bill 2017—Advisory report (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Intelligence Services Amendment Bill 2018—Advisory report (tabled 5 December 2018)
- Item 28 of the Law Enforcement Legislation Amendment (State Bodies and Other Measures) Bill 2016—Advisory report (received 18 November 2016)
- National Security Legislation Amendment (Espionage and Foreign Interference) Bill 2017—Advisory report (received 7 June 2018)
- Office of National Intelligence Bill 2018 and the Office of National Intelligence (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018—Advisory report (tabled 13 November 2018)
- Review of administration and expenditure no. 14 (2014-15)—Australian intelligence agencies (tabled 21 March 2017)
- Review of administration and expenditure no. 15 (2015-16)—Australian intelligence agencies (tabled 15 August 2017)
- Review of administration and expenditure no. 16 (2016-17)—Australian intelligence agencies (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Review of police stop, search and seizure powers, the control order regime and the preventative detention order regime (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Review of the Criminal Code Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2016—Advisory report (received 4 November 2016)
Corrigendum (tabled 8 November 2016)
- Review of the declaration of Islamic State as a terrorist organisation under the Australian Citizenship Act 2007 (tabled 8 November 2016)
- Review of the declaration of Jabhat al-Nusra as a terrorist organisation under the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Review of the 'declared area' provisions (tabled 20 March 2018)
- Review of the listing and re-listing of four terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code: Al-Qa'ida in the Indian Subcontinent, Islamic State in Libya, Islamic State Sinai Province and al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula (tabled 21 March 2017)
- Review of the listing of Islamic State East Asia as a terrorist organisation under the Criminal Code (tabled 5 December 2017)
- Review of the listing of Islamic State Khorasan Province and the re-listing of al-Murabitun as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code (tabled 8 February 2018)
- Review of the proposed amendments to the Home Affairs and Integrity Agencies Legislation Amendment Bill 2017 (tabled 8 May 2018)
- Review of the re-declaration of Mosul District, Ninewa Province, Iraq (tabled 21 June 2018)

- Review of the re-listing of Boko Haram and Islamic State as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code (tabled 16 October 2017)
- Review of the re-listing of Hizballah's External Security Organisation as a terrorist organisation under the Criminal Code (tabled 21 June 2018)
- Review of the re-listing of five organisations and the listing of two organisations as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code—Al-Shabaab, Hamas' Izz al-Din al-Qassam Brigades, the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK), Lashkar-e-Tayyiba, the Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Jemaah Anshorut Daulah and Jama'at Mujahideen Bangladesh (tabled 20 September 2018)
- Review of the re-listing of Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, Jaish-e-Mohammad and Lashkar-e Jhangvi as terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code (tabled 21 June 2018)
- Review of the re-listing of six terrorist organisations under the Criminal Code: Abu Sayyaf Group, Al-Qa'ida, Al-Qa'ida in the Lands of the Islamic Maghreb, Jabhat al-Nusra, Jamiat ul-Ansar, Jemaah Islamiyah (tabled 8 November 2016)
- Review of the Security of Critical Infrastructure Bill 2017 (received 15 March 2018)
- Review of the *Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Act 2018* (tabled 3 April 2019)
- Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Bill 2018—Advisory report (tabled 14 February 2019)
- Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016—Advisory report (received 30 June 2017)

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Members

Mr C Kelly (Chair), Senator Singh (Deputy Chair) and Senators Abetz, Hume and Keneally and Dr Aly, Mr Hayes, Mr L O'Brien and Mr Wood

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- Impact of new and emerging information and communication technology (ICT) (adopted 18 October 2017)
- Theft and export of motor vehicles and parts (adopted 28 March 2018)

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- Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2014-15 (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Examination of the annual report of the Australian Crime Commission 2015-16 (tabled 8 May 2018)
- Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2014-15 (tabled 13 June 2017)
- Examination of the annual report of the Australian Federal Police 2015-16 (tabled 8 May 2018)
- Inquiry into human trafficking, slavery and slavery-like practices (received 18 July 2017)
- Inquiry into the trade in elephant ivory and rhinoceros horn—
Report (tabled 20 September 2018)
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Members

Senator Dean Smith (Chair), Mr Hill (Deputy Chair) and Senators Abetz, Ketter, Martin, McAllister and Patrick and Ms Brodtmann, Ms Flint, Mr Gee, Mr Hart, Mr Hastie, Ms M King, Mr Laming and Mrs Marino

Reports presented

- No. 456—Defence major equipment procurement and evaluation, and Great Barrier Reef regulation: Review of Auditor-General reports nos 51 and 52 (2014-15) and nos 1 to 10 (2015-16) (tabled 31 August 2016)
- No. 457—Development of the Commonwealth Performance Framework—Second report (tabled 31 August 2016)
- No. 458—Defence major projects report (2014-15); Review of Auditor-General report no. 16 (2015-16) (tabled 31 August 2016)
- No. 459—Annual report 2015-16 (tabled 9 November 2016)
- No. 460—Public Sector Governance – inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report 29 (2015-16) (tabled 16 February 2017)
- Parliamentary Budget Office Review 2015-16—Report of the independent panel (tabled 29 March 2017)
- No. 461—Commonwealth risk management (tabled 10 May 2017)
- No. 462—Commonwealth infrastructure spending – inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 14 (2015-16) and 38 (2016-17) (tabled 21 June 2017)
- No. 463—Commonwealth financial statements – inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report 33 (2016-17) (tabled 5 September 2017)
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- No. 474—Annual report 1017-18 (tabled 14 August 2018)
- No. 475—Defence First Principles review, Naval Construction and Mental Health in the AFP: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 31, 34 and 39 (2017-18) (tabled 14 February 2019)
- No. 476—Australian Government funding: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 18 and 50 (2017-18) (tabled 14 February 2019)
- No. 477—Commonwealth financial statements – Second report; and Foreign investment in real estate: Inquiries based on Auditor-General’s reports 24 and 48 (2017-18) (tabled 2 April 2019)
- No. 478—The issuing of a certificate under section 37 of the *Auditor-General Act 1997*: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report 6 (2018-19) (tabled 2 April 2019)
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- Statement on the appointment of the Parliamentary Budget Officer (tabled 19 June 2017)

- Statement on the draft estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office—2017-18 (tabled 9 May 2017)
- Statement on the draft estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office—2018-19 (tabled 8 May 2018)
- Statement on the draft Budget estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office for 2019-20 (tabled 2 April 2019)

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Wind Turbines—Select Committee—Government response

General business notice of motion: 16

Moved by: Senators Leyonhjelm, Day, Xenophon, Lambie, Griff, Kakoschke-Moore, Burston and Roberts, the Leader of the Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson) and Senator Hinch

Date agreed to: 1 September 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) the President's report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2016, listed the report of the Select Committee on Wind Turbines amongst the reports the Government had failed to respond to within the 3 month timeframe, and
 - (ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the committee's report, although it has been some 12 months since the report was tabled; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by no later than **3.30 pm on 21 November 2016** by the Minister representing the Minister for Environment and Energy the Government's response to the report of the Select Committee on Wind Turbines, dated August 2015.

Statement made: 1 September 2016

Document received: 8 December 2016

Transport—Western Australia—Perth Freight Link

General business notice of motion: 23

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 1 September 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes the Turnbull Government intends to provide funding now worth \$1.2 billion for the Perth Freight Link and has no social, environmental or economic credibility; and
- (b) there be laid on the table no later than **11 am on Monday, 12 September 2016** by the Minister for Finance:
 - (i) an estimate of the financial penalties or compensation that the Barnett Government has exposed WA taxpayers to, should the contracts be terminated, and
 - (ii) any correspondence or information (including briefings and meeting notes) relating to penalties or compensation that will be offered to contractors, should the contracts for the Perth Freight Link be terminated upon a change of government, including correspondence between any Australian Government minister, department or agency and the Western Australian Government on this matter.

Document tabled: 12 September 2016

Administration—2016 Census—Legal Advice

General business notice of motion: 24

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 12 September 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) on 3 August 2016, the Australian Statistician was interviewed on the ABC television program 7.30 in relation to the 2016 Census, and
 - (ii) during the interview the Australian Statistician referred to legal advice received from the Australian Government Solicitor; and
- (b) there be laid on the table no later than **3 pm on Wednesday, 14 September 2016** by the Minister representing the Minister for Small Business, the legal advice referred to by the Australian Statistician during his appearance on 7.30 on 3 August 2016.

Statement made: 12 September 2016

Document tabled: 14 September 2016

Transport—Western Australia—Perth Freight Link

General business notice of motion: 29

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 12 September 2016

That there be laid on the table no later than **10 am on 12 September 2016** by the Minister for Finance, the following documents:

- (a) any correspondence including appointments between successful tenderer and major donor Leighton Holdings (CIMIC Group Ltd) with any federal minister relating to the Perth Freight Link;
- (b) the traffic modelling for the Perth Freight Link with specific regard to Government claims that it will reduce congestion, improve safety, reduce traffic accidents on Leach Highway, and improve access to Fiona Stanley Hospital;
- (c) a summary of all requests made to the Government for traffic modelling or the business case that have been refused on commercial-in-confidence or public interest grounds;
- (d) any environmental surveying or assessment of the construction envelope in Stage 2 or 3 including Stygofauna or Trogofauna given the new decision to complete much of the Freight Link by tunnel; and
- (e) a list of every National Partnership project that has received federal funding from the Abbott-Turnbull terms of Government of more than \$100 million without a published business case.

Document tabled: 15 September 2016

Estimates hearing: [Hansard extract](#) of 18 October 2016

Primary industries—Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority

General business notice of motion: 39

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 13 September 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 4 pm on 10 October 2016**, any documents held by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources relating to the relocation from Canberra to Armidale of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, including:

- (a) any cost benefit analysis; and
- (b) any correspondence or other information, including briefings, meeting and file notes, between any Australian Government Minister, department or agency.

Statement made: 13 September 2016

Document tabled: 10 October 2016

Estimates hearing: [Hansard extract](#) of 18 October 2016

Environment and Communications References Committee—Stormwater management—Government response

General business notice of motion: 40

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 13 September 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) the President's report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2016, listed the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on stormwater management in Australia as amongst the reports the Government had failed to respond to within the 3 month timeframe, and
 - (ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the committee's report, although it has been 10 months since the report was tabled; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016**, the Government's response to the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on stormwater management in Australia, dated 2 December 2015.

Document tabled: 10 October 2016

Community Affairs References Committee—Availability of cancer drugs in Australia—Government response

General business notice of motion: 41

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 13 September 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
- (i) the President's report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2016, listed the report of the Community Affairs References Committee on the availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia as amongst the reports the Government had failed to respond to within the 3 month timeframe, and
 - (ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the committee's report, although it has been almost 12 months since the report was tabled; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Aged Care, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016**, the Government's response to the report of the Community Affairs References Committee on the availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia, dated 17 September 2015.

Documents tabled: 10 October 2016 ([letter](#) from Minister Nash; [letter](#) from Minister Ley)

Economics References Committee—Australia's automotive industry—Government response

General business notice of motion: 45

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 14 September 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
- (i) the President's report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2016, listed the report of the Economics References Committee on the future of Australia's automotive industry as amongst the reports the Government had failed to respond to within the 3 month timeframe, and
 - (ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the committee's report, although it has been 10 months since the report was tabled; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016**, the Government's response to the report of the Economics References Committee on the future of Australia's automotive industry, dated 1 December 2015.

Statement made: 14 September 2016

Trade—World Trade Organization Government Procurement Agreement

General business notice of motion: 54

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 10 October 2016

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Government is currently in negotiations with the 45 of 164 World Trade Organisation (WTO) member countries that have acceded to the WTO Government Procurement Agreement, and that Australia is negotiating to accede to the agreement; and
 - (b) these negotiations are being held in secret but could have profound effects on the ability of future Australian governments to use Government procurement for local industry development.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 12 October 2016**, the Australian offer made and responses to date to that offer.

Statements made: 10 October 2016 ([Minister McGrath](#) and [Senator Xenophon](#))

Documents tabled: [10 October 2016](#); [12 October 2016](#)

Science and technology—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation Review

General business notice of motion: 56

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 10 October 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, **by no later than 12.30 pm on 11 October 2016**, the following documents relating to the final report commissioned by the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) and prepared by Ernst and Young, entitled *Review of CSIRO's Science Prioritisation and Implementation Process*:

- (a) the terms of reference for the review; and
- (b) any documents, including correspondence, briefs or file notes, held by either CSIRO or the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science.

Statement made: 10 October 2016

Documents tabled: 10 October 2016 ([extract](#) of a service requirement; [work request order](#))

Documents received: 19 October 2016

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Australian grape and wine industry—Government response

General business notice of motion: 58

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 10 October 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) the President's report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2016, listed the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on the Australian grape and wine industry as amongst the reports the Government had failed to respond to within the 3 month timeframe, and
 - (ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the committee's report, although it has been 7 months since the report was tabled; and

- (b) there be laid on the table **by no later than 3.30 pm on 12 October 2016** by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources the Government's response to the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on the Australian grape and wine industry, dated 12 February 2016.

Document tabled: 12 October 2016

Administration—2016 Census—Legal advice

General business notice of motion: 63

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 11 October 2016

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) on 12 September 2016 the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Small Business for the legal advice referred to by the Australian Statistician during his appearance on 7.30 on 3 August 2016,
 - (ii) on 14 September 2016 the Minister representing the Minister for Small Business advanced a public interest immunity claim that the longstanding practice of successive governments has been not to disclose privileged legal advice to conserve the Commonwealth's legal and constitutional interest,
 - (iii) the Senate has not accepted that there is a general public interest immunity that allows ministers or departments to withhold legal advice, but rather that each claim of public interest immunity is assessable by the Senate and that information of the particular potential harm should be provided to the Senate to make this assessment,
 - (iv) on 16 July 1975 the Senate laid out by resolution its position with respect to public interest immunity claims - paragraph 4 of that resolution makes it clear that, while the Senate may permit claims of public interest immunity to be advanced, it reserves the right to determine whether a particular claim will be accepted, and
 - (v) Australian courts have acknowledged that for the Parliament to undertake its duties it must be able to require the Executive to produce documents, and that the justification for legal professional privilege does not apply; and
- (b) does not accept the public interest immunity claim made by the Minister representing the Minister for Small Business in relation to the order for production of documents of 12 September 2016, and orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Small Business, **by the start of business on the next day of sitting**, the legal advice referred to by the Australian Statistician during his appearance on 7.30 on 3 August 2016

Document tabled: 12 October 2016

Environment and Communications References Committee—Australia's video game development industry—Government response

General business notice of motion: 69

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 12 October 2016

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) the video games industry is the fastest-growing entertainment industry in the world,
 - (ii) in recent years the industry in Australia has generated over \$2 billion in retail revenue, and it continues to grow,
 - (iii) it is larger than the local film industry, but Federal Government assistance has been cut,

- (iv) the Senate inquiry into the future of Australia's video game development industry was held from June 2015 to April 2016, with the final report presented on 29 April 2016, which was unanimously agreed to, and
 - (v) under resolution of the Senate, the Government is required to respond to Senate inquiries within three months of reporting; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for the Arts, **by no later than 2 pm on 13 October 2016**, the Government's response to the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on the future of Australia's video game development industry.

Statement made: 12 October 2016

Document tabled: 13 October 2016

Document received: 31 January 2018

Environment—United Nations Framework on the Convention of Climate Change—Modelling

General business notice of motion: 93

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 7 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Foreign Affairs, **by no later than 1 December 2016**, the modelling referred to by New Zealand in the United Nations Framework on the Convention of Climate Change session SB145(2016) that details the Government's emission and removals projections for 2030.

Statement made: 7 November 2016

Document tabled: 1 December 2016

Administration—Student Builder Pilot Program—North East Vocational College

General business notice of motion: 95

Moved by: Senator Cameron

Date agreed to: 8 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Education and Training, **no later than the end of question time on 10 November 2016**, all documents containing information pertaining to the following matters:

- (a) the visit by the then Assistant Minister for Education and Training, Senator Birmingham, to the premises of North East Vocational College at St Agnes, South Australia on or about 4 May 2015;
- (b) the meeting held between the then Assistant Minister for Education and Training, Senator Birmingham, and former Senator Day on 1 June 2015 in relation to a proposal for a 'Student Builder' pilot program to be located at North East Vocational College;
- (c) the meeting held between the then Minister for Vocational Education and Skills, the Honourable Luke Hartsuyker MP, and former Senator Day on 14 October 2015 in relation to a proposal for a 'Student Builder' pilot program to be located at North East Vocational College;
- (d) grants of \$2 025 320 made under the Apprenticeship Training - Alternative Delivery Pilots Program to Master Builders Australia, National Electrical Communications Association and North East Development Agency trading as North East Vocational College;
- (e) business plans, project proposals, funding contracts, deeds and related documents pertaining to the grants referred to in paragraph
- (d) above; and

- (f) the Recommendation Report of the Apprenticeships Reform Advisory Group (ARAG), including all appendices to the report, meeting papers and minutes of meetings of the ARAG.

Documents tabled: 10 November 2016

Qualification of former Senator Day—Legal advice

General business notice of motion: 98

Moved by: Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)

Date agreed to: 9 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Attorney-General, **by no later than 9.30 am on 9 November 2016**, the legal advice provided to the Government in relation to the eligibility of former Senator Day to be elected as a senator for South Australia, as referred to in the Senate on Monday, 7 November 2016 by the Special Minister of State (Senator Ryan) and the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), and provided by David Jackson, QC, and any related documents that have not already been laid on the table.

Statement made: 9 November 2016

Document received: 15 November 2016

Family and community services—Cashless Debit Card Trial Progress Report

General business notice of motion: 99

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 9 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Social Services, **on 16 November 2016**, all information (including documents and statistics) used in the preparation of the report entitled *Cashless Debit Card Trial Progress Report*, authored by the Department of Social Services and released publicly on 31 October 2016.

Document tabled: 1 December 2016

Defence—Future Submarine Project—Design and Mobilisation Contract

General business notice of motion: 100

Moved by: Senators Xenophon and Carr

Date agreed to: 9 November 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
- (i) the SEA 1000 Future Submarine project, a project that aims to deliver Australia a regionally superior future submarine capability, is likely to be the most expensive and complex project ever undertaken by the Commonwealth of Australia,
 - (ii) failures that occur in complex projects are often attributed to decisions made in the commencement phase of the project, and
- (iii) there is an accepted need for transparency in Government contracts; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by the start of business on 24 November 2016**, the Design and Mobilisation Contract signed between the Commonwealth of Australia and DCNS on 30 September 2016.

Statement made: 9 November 2016

Document tabled: 1 December 2016

Defence—Resistance to Interrogation Training Programs

General business notice of motion: 109

Moved by: Senator Lambie

Date agreed to: 21 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 28 November 2016**, all recordings of the Australian Defence Force's resistance to interrogation training programs.

[Document](#) tabled: 28 November 2016

Administration—Former ministers—Meetings

General business notice of motion: 113

Moved by: Senators Waters and McAllister

Date agreed to: 23 November 2016

That—

- (1) There be laid on the table, by each minister in the Senate, in respect of each Commonwealth Department or Agency administered by that minister, or by a minister in the House of Representatives represented by that minister, by not later than 7 days before the commencement of the budget estimates, supplementary budget estimates and additional estimates hearings, a statement in accordance with the succeeding provisions of this order:
A statement, covering the period since the previous statement was tabled, in respect of each former minister, listing:
 - (a) all meetings, including teleconferences, at which lobbying, advocacy or the consideration of business took place, including date, location and duration, between current ministers, secretaries or deputy secretaries (or equivalent), of any Commonwealth Department or Agency and former ministers;
 - (b) how many people attended or participated and the capacities in which people attended or participated; and
 - (c) what topics were considered at each of the meetings.
- (2) This order has immediate effect with the first statement for 2016-17 additional estimates covering all meetings from the date of commencement of this order to 7 days prior to additional estimates.
- (3) In this order:
 - (a) "Commonwealth Department or Agency" means a Commonwealth entity, other than the Parliamentary Departments and the Office of the Official Secretary of the Governor-General, within the meaning of the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*;
 - (b) "former minister" means a person who is no longer a member of the Australian Parliament and who has been a minister in the 18 months prior to the estimates hearing at which the statement is due.
- (4) If the Senate is not sitting when a statement is ready for presentation, the statement is to be presented to the President under standing order 166.
- (5) This order is of continuing effect.

[Statement](#) made: 23 November 2016

[Document](#) tabled: 14 February 2017

Estimates hearing: [Hansard extract](#) of 27 February 2017

Related [resolution](#) agreed: 29 March 2017, and **[statement](#) made**

[Document](#) received: 28 March 2019

[Document](#) received: 1 April 2019

Community Affairs References Committee—Income inequality—Government response

General business notice of motion: 126

Moved by: Senator Brown

Date agreed to: 28 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Treasurer, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 29 November 2016**, the government response to the report of the Community Affairs References Committee entitled *Extent of income inequality in Australia – Bridging our growing divide: inequality in Australia*.

Statement made: 28 November 2016

Document tabled: 29 November 2016

Primary industries—Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority—Relocation

General business notice of motion: 136

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 29 November 2016

That—

(a) the Senate notes:

- (i) the grave concerns of the wider agricultural and agribusiness community that the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority's (APVMA) relocation will irreversibly damage the capacity of the APVMA to carry out its core responsibilities,
- (ii) the recently released Ernst and Young independent analysis of the APVMA relocation, which identified the following key risks:
 - (a) the APVMA is unable to effectively relocate or recruit key APVMA executive management and technical assessment staff within the first two years,
 - (b) during transition and in the short term, the APVMA is unable to sustain its rate of effort for registration of new agricultural and veterinary chemical products,
 - (c) the APVMA is unable to maintain and grow its capability in the medium term, and
 - (d) the APVMA has reduced access to stakeholders, and
- (iii) the recommendation in the independent analysis calling for the carrying out of the following critical next tasks for risk mitigation:
 - (a) an analysis of supply (and demand) for regulatory scientists,
 - (b) an analysis of connectivity between APVMA business groups,
 - (c) the development of recruitment, retention and training strategies, and
 - (d) the development of a transition plan; and

(b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 9.30 am on 1 December 2016**, the following documents held or prepared by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources and/or the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority:

- (i) an analysis of supply (and demand) for regulatory scientists,
- (ii) an analysis of connectivity between APVMA business groups,
- (iii) any APVMA recruitment, retention and training strategies, and
- (iv) any APVMA transition plans.

Document tabled: 1 December 2016

Document received: 6 December 2016

Primary industries—Red Imported Fire Ant Eradication Program Review

General business notice of motion: 137

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 29 November 2016

That—

- (a) the Senate notes:
- (i) the adverse effect of Red Imported Fire Ant (RIFA) populations on ecosystems, native species, agricultural communities and human health,
 - (ii) the ongoing program since 2001 to eradicate Red Imported Fire Ants,
 - (iii) the communique of the Agriculture Ministers Forum held in Auckland, New Zealand on 20 May 2016, which indicated that:
- (a) it remains in the national interest to eradicate the ants and that it is technically feasible and cost beneficial to do so,
- (b) ministers agreed to continue to cost share the RIFA South East Queensland eradication program in 2016-17, in accordance with the nationally agreed 2013-18 Response Plan, and
- (c) funding of a 10-year eradication plan or transition to a management plan for the SEQ Programme will be considered at the next AGMIN meeting, and
- (iv) the right of all Australians to sufficient information to understand the important decision that the agriculture ministers will be making at their next meeting in 2017 on whether the eradication program should continue, the implications of proceeding and not proceeding, the costs involved and the lessons learnt from the program so far; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 9.30 am on 1 December 2016**, the Independent Review of the National Red Imported Fire Ant Eradication Program: Report of the independent review panel.

Statement made: 29 November 2016

Documents tabled: 1 December 2016

Environment—Minamata Convention on Mercury—Ratification

General business notice of motion: 138

Moved by: Senator Waters

Date agreed to: 29 November 2016

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by no later than 9.30 am on 1 December 2016**, the cost-benefit analysis undertaken by Marsden Jacob Associates of Australia ratifying the Minamata Convention on Mercury commissioned by the Department of the Environment and Energy.

Statement made: 29 November 2016

Document tabled: 1 December 2016

Documents received: 19 January 2017—[correspondence](#); [exposure draft](#); [final report](#)

Law and justice—Bell Group liquidation—Documents to be provided to a committee

General business notice of motion: 151

Moved by: Senator Watt

Date agreed to: 30 November 2016

That—

- (a) the following documents relating to the Bell Group liquidation and the Western Australian Bell Group Companies (Finalisation of Matters and Distribution of Proceeds) legislation be provided to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee by the Attorney-General:
 - (i) correspondence, including but not limited to, briefings, letters, memoranda and aides memoire between the Attorney-General and:
 - (a) the Treasurer of Western Australia,
 - (b) the Attorney General of Western Australia, and
 - (c) the Solicitor-General,
 - (ii) any file notes held of any meetings between the Attorney-General and:
 - (a) the Treasurer of Western Australia,
 - (b) the Attorney General of Western Australia, and
 - (c) the Solicitor-General,
 - (iii) briefings to the Attorney-General from the Solicitor-General, Australian Government Solicitor and Attorney-General's Department, and
 - (iv) correspondence between the Australian Government Solicitor and the Attorney-General's Department and the Western Australian Department of the Attorney General, or the Western Australian State Solicitor's Office;
- (b) the time frame for the documents covered by this motion is 1 November 2015 to 30 March 2016; and
- (c) the documents be provided **by no later than 14 December 2016**.

Statement made: 30 November 2016

Document tabled: 14 February 2017

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Immigration—Refugees—Resettlement to the United States of America

General business notice of motion: 169

Moved by: Senator McKim

Date agreed to: 8 February 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, **on 15 February 2017**, the agreement between Australia and the United States of America announced on 13 November 2016 regarding the potential resettlement to the United States of refugees on Manus Island and Nauru.

Documents tabled: 15 February 2017

Defence—Future Submarine Program—Design and Mobilisation Contract

General business notice of motion: 178

Moved by: Senators Xenophon and Carr

Date agreed to: 8 February 2017

That—

(a) notes that:

- (i) on 9 November 2016, the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister for Defence for the Design and Mobilisation Contract signed between the Commonwealth of Australia and DCNS on 30 September 2016;
- (ii) on 1 December 2016, the Minister for Defence tabled a redacted version of the Design and Mobilisation contract and asserted a public interest immunity claim over the redacted components, and in particular the intellectual property terms, on the basis that these terms were of significant commercial value and highly sensitive to DCNS,
- (iii) poorly negotiated intellectual property rights in Defence contracts both here and overseas have caused significant problems for the ongoing sustainment and enhancement of critical defence equipment, including:
 - (a) the contracted intellectual property rights for the Collins Class submarine became a significant issue in the ongoing sustainment and enhancement of the Collins submarines and also in relation to the evolving of Collins as a potential solution for the future submarine project, and
 - (b) United States (US) Air Force Lieutenant General Christopher Bogdan, Head of the F-35 Fighter program, has publically expressed concern as to the adverse effect that not addressing intellectual property rights at the commencement of the Joint Strike Fighter program in the US is having on the ongoing sustainment and enhancement of the aircraft,
- (iv) the future submarine program involves a projected spend of \$50 billion of taxpayers' money, and that the impact of the intellectual property rights on the entire program, including any potential follow-on submarine class, are significant,
- (v) there is an overwhelming and overriding public interest in respect of parliamentary oversight and scrutiny on the intellectual property terms associated with the future submarine program;
- (b) does not accept the public interest immunity claim in relation to the contracted intellectual property terms of the Design and Mobilisation Contract signed between the Commonwealth of Australia and DCNS on 30 September 2016 made by the Minister for Defence in relation to the order for production of documents of 9 November 2016; and
- (c) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by the start of business on the next day of sitting**, the intellectual property terms of the Design and Mobilisation Contract signed between the Commonwealth of Australia and DCNS on 30 September 2016.

Statements made: 8 February 2017—[Senator McGrath](#); [Senator Xenophon](#)

Document tabled: 9 February 2017

Transport—Western Australia—Perth Freight Link

General business notice of motion: 186

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 13 February 2017

That the Senate:

(a) notes:

- (i) the Abbott-Turnbull election commitment that infrastructure projects attracting more than \$100 million of federal funding would require a full cost benefit analysis,
- (ii) that the Abbott-Turnbull Government has committed funding now worth \$1.2 billion to the Perth Freight Link for which no business case has ever been provided, for which Stages 2 and 3 have not even been planned or assessed, and which does not reach the Port,

- (iii) that it is important that Federal money granted to a state be spent in a manner that represents value for money and that the Senate has an oversight obligation in this regard, and
- (iv) public interest immunity in response to Senate orders for the production of documents must not just be asserted, rather established;
- (b) rejects the grounds for public interest immunity made in relation to six previous Senate orders for production of documents, concerning the release of the business case, and specifically those made by the Minister for Finance on 19 April and 1 September 2016;
- (c) orders that the full business case and cost benefit analysis for the Perth Freight Link be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance **by no later than 12.30 pm on 14 February 2017**; and
- (d) resolves that, if the documents specified in paragraph (c) are not laid on the table by 12:30 pm on 14 February 2017, the Minister for Finance be required to attend the Senate at that time and provide an explanation for his failure to table the documents, and that at the conclusion of the explanation any senator may move to take note of the explanation.

Statement made: 13 February 2017

Documents tabled: 13 February 2017

Matter debated: 14 February 2017 [[first speaker](#): Senator Cormann]

Transport—Western Australia—Roe Highway Extension

General business notice of motion: 202

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 13 February 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes Condition 4 of the federal approval decision for the Roe Highway Extension, which specifies that all potential nesting trees are to be investigated to detect the presence of black cockatoos using hollows within 7 days prior to clearing, and that the investigation must be undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced person; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by 5 pm on 13 February 2017**, the following information:
 - (i) the date the investigation of nesting trees was completed,
 - (ii) how the investigation was undertaken,
 - (iii) the qualifications of the person/s who undertook the investigation, and
 - (iv) a copy of the investigation, including all results.

Document tabled: 13 February 2017

Document tabled: 23 March 2017

Transport—Western Australia—Perth Freight Link

General business notice of motion: 214

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 14 February 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes, in relation to the Perth Freight Link ‘Roe 8’ Highway extension, that significant breaches have been documented and reported to the Minister in relation to approval conditions and management plans, relating to dust suppression, asbestos management, and trapping and relocation of endangered species; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by no later than 12.45 pm on 15 February 2017**, the following documents:

- (i) a summary of correspondence or reports made to the Minister for the Environment and Energy or the Department of the Environment and Energy with evidence of compliance breaches with approval conditions since construction commenced, and the response to each, and
- (ii) a record of the dates, times and locations where state or federal compliance officers have been on site since construction began.

Statement made: 14 February 2017

Document tabled: 15 February 2017

Senate—Failure to answer questions on notice—Non-compliance with order for the production of documents—Explanation

General business notice of motion: 216

Moved by: Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)

Date agreed to: 14 February 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes the failure of the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Brandis) to:
 - (i) provide answers to questions on notice nos 67, 69, 70, 126, 127, 129, 138, 152, 158, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 242, 272, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 306, 309, 310, 312, 313 and 324 within 30 days of the asking of those questions, and that answers to these questions are still outstanding,
 - (ii) provide answers to questions on notice from legislation committees following the 2016-17 supplementary Budget estimates hearings by the date set by the committees for the provision of answers, and
 - (iii) provide a response to the order for the production of documents agreed to by the Senate on 30 November 2016 relating to the Bell Group liquidation;
- (b) calls on the Leader of the Government in the Senate to provide the answers to outstanding questions on notice and respond to the order for the production of documents to the Senate by **9.30 am on 16 February 2017**;
- (c) requires the Leader of the Government in the Senate to attend the Senate at **9.30 am on 16 February 2017** so that, prior to government business being called on, any senator may ask for an explanation for the failure to provide answers and responses in accordance with the timelines established by the Senate; and
- (d) resolves that:
 - (i) in the event that the Leader of the Government in the Senate provides an explanation, any senator may, at the conclusion of the explanation, move without notice—That the Senate take note of the explanation, or
 - (ii) in the event that the Leader of the Government in the Senate does not provide an explanation, any senator may, without notice, move a motion with regard to the Leader of the Government in the Senate's failure to provide an explanation, and
 - (iii) any motion to take note under paragraphs (d) (i) or (ii) have precedence over all other government business until determined.

Statement made: 14 February 2017

Matter debated: 16 February 2017 [[first speaker: Senator Brandis](#)]

Death of Work for the Dole participant

General business notice of motion: 252

Moved by: Senator Rhiannon

Date agreed to: 22 March 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Employment, **by no later than 4 pm on 27 March 2017**, all documents and correspondence relating to the death of a Work for the Dole participant, Josh Park-Fing, including the report prepared by Workplace Health and Safety Queensland into this death.

[Statement](#) made: 22 March 2017

[Document](#) tabled: 27 March 2017

Future Submarine Program

General business notice of motion: 262

Moved by: Senators Xenophon and Carr

Date agreed to: 22 March 2017

- (1) That the Senate notes that:
 - (a) the SEA 1000 Future Submarine Project, a project that aims to deliver Australia a regionally superior future submarine capability, is likely to be the most expensive and complex project ever undertaken by the Commonwealth of Australia;
 - (b) on 26 April 2016, the Prime Minister announced that DCNS, the French naval shipbuilding company, would be the design partner for the future submarine, and stated 'The submarine project alone will see Australian workers building Australian submarines with Australian steel, here where we stand today, for decades into the future';
 - (c) subsequent to this announcement, the Defence Minister has made statements in the Parliament that the Government intends to maximise Australian industry involvement, engagement and capability throughout the entire Future Submarine Program; and
 - (d) on 30 September 2016, the Government signed a Design and Mobilisation Contract with DCNS as a first step in the process of designing and building Australia's future submarines, and this contract contains the requirement for DCNS to:
 - (i) within five months of the effective contract date, of the Design and Mobilisation Contract, develop an Australian Industry Capability Plan for the future submarine, and
 - (ii) within four months of the effective contract date, conduct a study into the availability and economic viability of Australian manufactured hull steel equivalent to that normally used by the DCNS and a plan for development of the Australian capability for manufacture of steel in Australia that meets the contractor's and the Commonwealth's requirements for use in the future submarine.
- (2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by the start of business on 28 March 2017**:
 - (a) the Australian Industry Capability Plan for the Future Submarine; and
 - (b) the Australian Steel Development and Qualification Study.

[Documents](#) received: 4 April 2017

[Document](#) received: 26 October 2018

Live export trade and chilled meat trade

General business notice of motion: 263

Moved by: Senator Rhiannon

Date agreed to: 27 March 2017

That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, **by 29 March 2017**, all documents by, or held by, the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC), including risk assessments, advice, emails, minutes or other information relating to consideration of the live export trade or live exporters, including, but not limited to, consideration of the trade's cruelty to animals, reputational risk, and preference for EFIC to support the chilled meat trade in free trade agreement negotiations with any country including Indonesia.

Statement made: 27 March 2017

Document tabled: 29 March 2017

Bell Group liquidation and Bell Act—Orders for production of documents—Documents to be provided to a committee

General business notice of motion: 272

Moved by: Senator Pratt

Date agreed to: 27 March 2017

That the Attorney-General be required to provide to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, **by no later than noon on 7 April 2017**, the following documents relating to the Bell Group liquidation and the Bell Act:

- (a) correspondence between the Attorney-General and Ms O'Dwyer in March and April 2016;
- (b) a letter from the former Solicitor-General, Mr Justin Gleeson, to the Attorney-General regarding the High Court proceedings in the Bell matter, dated 15 March 2016;
- (c) the email chain between the offices of the Solicitor-General and Attorney-General entitled 'Bell - Commissioner of Taxation request for advice from the Solicitor-General - referral to Counsel Assisting the Solicitor-General [SEC=PROTECTED, DLM=Sensitive: Legal]', dated 6 and 7 March 2016; and
- (d) the submission from the Attorney-General's Department to the Attorney-General's office on the question of intervention in the Bell matter, dated 28 January 2016.

Statement made: 27 March 2017

Bell Group liquidation and the Bell Act—Orders for production of documents—Documents to be provided to a committee

General business notice of motion: 273

Moved by: Senator Pratt

Date agreed to: 27 March 2017

That the Minister representing the Minister for Revenue and Financial Services be required to provide to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, **by no later than noon on 7 April 2017**, the document relating to the Bell Group liquidation and the Bell Act entitled 'FW: Possible Attorney-General's direction under the Judiciary Act [DLM=Sensitive: Legal]', which was attached to an email between officers of the Australian Taxation Office, dated 29 November 2016.

Document received: 3 April 2017

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Bell Group litigation—Unanswered questions on notice

General business notice of motion: 274

Moved by: Senator Pratt

Date agreed to: 28 March 2017

That—

- (1) The Senate notes:
 - (a) the failure of the Attorney-General and officers of the Attorney-General's Department to provide any responses to many of the questions asked in the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee inquiry into the nature and scope of any agreement reached by the Commonwealth and Western Australian governments in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of, and litigation concerning, the Bell Group of companies (the proceeds);
 - (b) answers to these questions would enable clear facts to be established regarding the Commonwealth's actions, and give the public confidence the Commonwealth is acting consistent with its constitutional responsibilities and protecting its position with the states; and
 - (c) the failure to provide answers has significantly compromised the ability of the committee to fulfil the terms of reference of the inquiry.
- (2) The Senate **requires the Attorney-General, by 12.45 pm on 29 March 2017**, to provide answers to the committee to questions taken on notice by him or officers of the Attorney-General's Department, listed in Appendix 1 of the committee's interim report tabled in the Senate on 22 March 2017, or alternatively make a substantive claim of public interest immunity that is acceptable to the Senate.
- (3) The committee report to the Senate on the Attorney-General's compliance with this resolution on 29 March 2017.
- (4) The Senate **requires that the Attorney-General be in the Senate at 9.30 am on 30 March 2017**, so that a senator may ask the Attorney-General for an explanation in connection with his actions on this matter, and at the conclusion of the explanation any senator may move a motion to take note of the explanation; or if the Attorney-General fails to provide an explanation, any senator may move to take note of his failure to do so.

Statement made: 28 March 2017

Document tabled and matter debated: 30 March 2017

Draft National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater's Possum

General business notice of motion: 281

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 28 March 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by no later than 9.30 am on 30 March 2017**, the following documents:

- (a) any correspondence between the Department of the Environment and Energy and the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources or his ministerial staff in relation to the Draft National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater's Possum; and
- (b) any correspondence between the Department of the Environment and Energy and the Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources or her ministerial staff relating to the Draft National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater's Possum.

Document tabled: 29 March 2017

Perth Freight Link

General business notice of motion: 285

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 28 March 2017

- (1) The Senate notes that:
- (a) on six previous occasions, the Government has refused to release the business case and cost-benefit analysis for the \$1.9 billion Perth Freight Link on the grounds that it would prejudice relations between the Commonwealth and the states; and
 - (b) given the resounding defeat of the Barnett Liberal Government in Western Australia and the change of government on 11 March 2017, this ground is no longer applicable.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, **by no later than 2 pm on 29 March 2017**, the full unredacted business case and cost-benefit analysis for the Perth Freight Link.

Document tabled: 29 March 2017

Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility

General business notice of motion: 288

Moved by: Senator Moore

Date agreed to: 29 March 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 30 March 2017**:

- (a) the contract or Memorandum of Understanding between the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF) and the Export Finance and Investment Corporation (EFIC);
- (b) the NAIF Risk Appetite Statement;
- (c) the NAIF Public Interest Test;
- (d) any policies or other documents to be used by the NAIF Board to satisfy themselves that the project meets each of the mandatory criteria as set out in the NAIF Investment Mandate; and
- (e) any policies or other documents to be used by the NAIF Board to satisfy themselves that the project meets each of the non-mandatory criteria as set out in the NAIF Investment Mandate.

Statement made: 29 March 2017

Document tabled: 30 March 2017

Military exports to Saudi Arabia

General business notice of motion: 297

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 29 March 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) the Australian Defence Department has approved four military exports to Saudi Arabia in the past year, and
 - (ii) the Minister for Defence Industry, the Honourable Christopher Pyne MP, visited Riyadh in December 2016 to promote Australian defence material to senior government figures, including Prince Mutaib bin Abdullah al-Saud, the head of Saudi Arabia's National Guard; and

- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by no later than 6 pm on 30 March 2017**:
- (i) the Minister for Defence Industry's itinerary in Saudi Arabia, and
 - (ii) any documents relating to approvals for military exports to Saudi Arabia since January 2016.

Document tabled: 9 May 2017

Estimates hearing: [Hansard](#) of 29 May 2017

Economics—Parallel importation laws (Castalia report)

General business notice of motion: 307

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 10 May 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Urban Infrastructure, **by no later than 9.30 am on 11 May 2017**, the Castalia Report into parallel import laws.

Documents received: 12 May 2017 [[correspondence](#); [report](#)]

Health—Oakden aged care service—Accreditation and assessment reports

General business notice of motion: 320

Moved by: Senators Xenophon, Griff and Kakoschke-Moore

Date agreed to: 10 May 2017

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
- (i) on 20 April 2017 it was announced that the Makk and McLeay Aged Mental Health Care Service at Oakden (Oakden) in South Australia, the state Government run nursing home for vulnerable dementia patients, would be shut in the wake of allegations of mistreatment at the facility,
 - (ii) the Australian Aged Care Quality Agency (AACQA) has a responsibility to accredit Australian Government subsidised aged care homes, and had accredited Oakden,
 - (iii) the chief executive of the AACQA, visited the facility after the announced closures and conceded that Oakden was one of the 'poorest examples' of nursing homes he had experienced,
 - (iv) the AACQA is now conducting a review on its own performance in relation to the accreditation of Oakden, and
 - (v) there is always danger in self-assessment by Government agencies; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Aged Care, **by no later than 5 pm on 11 May 2017**, the following Oakden-related documents for the period 2007 to date:
- (i) all accreditation site audit reports,
 - (ii) all assessment information documents,
 - (iii) all assessment contact reports, both announced and unannounced,
 - (iv) all decisions to accredit or not accredit and associated reasons,
 - (v) any recommendations to impose sanctions,
 - (vi) all referrals from the Department of Health to the AACQA, and
 - (vii) all statements of major findings.

Statements made: 10 May 2017 [[Minister McGrath](#), [Senator Gallagher](#), [Senator Xenophon](#)]

Document received: 25 May 2017

Environment and Communications References Committee—Australia’s video game development industry—Government response

General business notice of motion: 331

Moved by: Senator Ludlam

Date agreed to: 13 June 2017

That the Senate—

(a) notes:

- (i) the unanimous findings of the Environment and Communications References Committee report, *Game on: more than playing around – The future of Australia’s video game development industry*, received on 29 April 2016, and
- (ii) the absence of any government response to the findings of this inquiry; and

(b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Communications, **by no later than 3 pm on 14 June 2017**, a copy of the government response to this report.

Statement made: 13 June 2017

Document tabled: 14 June 2017; **statement made:** 14 June 2017

Environment—Leadbeater’s Possum

General business notice of motion: 339

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 14 June 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by no later than 9.30 am on 21 June 2017**, the following documents held by the Department of the Environment and Energy: any nominations submitted seeking revised listing of the Leadbeater’s Possum (*Gymnobelideus leadbeateri*) under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*, including the completed nomination form(s) received.

Statement made: 14 June 2017

Documents tabled: 22 June 2017

Defence—Maribyrnong Defence site

General business notice of motion: 340

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 14 June 2017

That there be laid on the table, by the Minister for Defence, **by no later than 12.30 pm on 20 June 2017**, the following documents regarding the Defence site Maribyrnong:

- (a) the consultant report referred to by the Minister for Defence at the estimates hearing on 29 May 2017 of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee regarding the sale and proposed capacity of 6000 dwellings for the site;
- (b) any correspondence between the Department of Defence or the Minister for Defence and her office and Australia Zhongren Enrichment Holding Pty Ltd or associated entities;
- (c) any property contamination profile or related documents held by the Department of Defence;
- (d) any correspondence by or to the Department of Defence or the Minister for Defence and her office regarding the cost of site remediation or decontamination; and
- (e) any correspondence by or to the Department of Defence or the Minister for Defence and her office regarding advice on the number of houses that could be built on the land and potential congestion and urban planning issues including schools, child care, medical centres, amenities and the environment.

Statement made: 14 June 2017

Documents tabled: 22 June 2017

Animal welfare—Live export of equines

General business notice of motion: 341

Moved by: Senators Rhiannon and Hinch

Date agreed to: 14 June 2017

That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by close of business on 20 June 2017**, a copy of the draft or any other version of the Export Control (Animals) Amendment (Equine Animals) Order 2017 (the Equine Amendment Order) and all documents by or held by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources and/or the Minister's office, including risk assessments, advice, emails, minutes or other information relating to the live export of equines including, but not limited to, consideration of the trade's cruelty to animals and any reputational risk to all those involved.

Statement made: 14 June 2017

Document tabled: 22 June 2017

Education—Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017

General business notice of motion: 364

Moved by: Senator Collins

Date agreed to: 20 June 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham), **by no later than 7.20 pm on 20 June 2017**, the following documents provided by him to any senator or their staff:

- (a) all documents, including correspondence and any other communication, relating to the cost of implementing the amendments provided for in the Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017 produced by or for, or provided to, the Minister for Education and Training;
- (b) all documents, including correspondence and any other communication, relating to the cost of implementing the amendments provided for in the Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017 produced by or for, or provided to, the office of the Minister for Education and Training; or
- (c) all documents, including correspondence and any other communication, relating to the cost of implementing the amendments provided for in the Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017 produced by or for, or provided to, the Department of Education and Training.

Statements made: 21 June 2017

Document tabled: 22 June 2017

Administration—Postal plebiscite or ballot—Advice on the conduct or constitutionality

General business notice of motion: 405

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 9 August 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, **by no later than 11.50 am on 10 August 2017**, the following documents held, commissioned or requested by the Department of Finance: any advice on the conduct or constitutionality of a postal plebiscite or postal ballot received by the Department of Finance from:

- (a) the Solicitor-General;
- (b) the Attorney-General's Department;
- (c) the Australian Electoral Commission;
- (d) the Australian Bureau of Statistics;
- (e) the Australian Statistician; and
- (f) any other legal, constitutional or electoral experts.

Document tabled: 10 August 2017

Statement made: 10 August 2017

Economics References Committee—Australia’s automotive industry— Government response

General business notice of motion: 421

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 15 August 2017

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
- (i) the President’s report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2017 listed the report of the Economics References Committee on the Future of Australia’s Automotive Industry as having not been responded to by the Government within the three month timeframe, and
 - (ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the Committee’s report, even though it has been 20 months since the report was tabled; and
- (b) there be laid on the table, by the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 4 September 2017** the Government’s response to the report of the Economics References Committee on the Future of Australia’s Automotive Industry tabled on 1 December 2015.

Document tabled: 4 September 2017 (and [debated](#))

Environment—Barwon-Darling Unregulated River

General business notice of motion: 420

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 16 August 2017

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
- (i) the Murray Darling river system is a national resource,
 - (ii) the aim of the Murray Darling Basin Plan, agreed to in 2012, is to ensure that water is shared between all users, including the environment, in a sustainable way,
 - (iii) it is important that the Commonwealth, the States and users comply with the agreed plan,
 - (iv) on 24 July 2017 the ABC’s *Four Corners* program aired serious allegations in respect of the Barwon-Darling in relation to water pump tampering, theft and rotting, collusion between officials and irrigators, failures by officials to properly monitor compliance and the shutting down of compliance units in the face of alleged non-compliance, irregularity and illegality, and
 - (v) the Senate has an oversight responsibility in relation to implementation and execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan and visibility to modelling – financial and compliance data assist the Senate in this regard; and
- (b) there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by the start of business on 11 September 2017:**
- (i) documents associated with the proposal to purchase water licences held by Tandou Ltd in June 2017, including Ministerial briefs, and the associated contracts,
 - (ii) draft and final reports and supporting documents, including assumptions used, about all modelling undertaken by the Murray Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) for the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River between 1 January 2014 and today,
 - (iii) draft and final reports and supporting documents about all investigations or work undertaken by the MDBA tracking the movement of environmental water in the Northern Basin between 1 January 2014 and today – including about the legal extraction of environmental water and/or potentially unlawful extraction of water,
 - (iv) a summary of expenditure of monies from the Water for the Environment Special Account to 30 June 2017 and today including:
 - (A) the criteria for distributing monies from this account,
 - (B) the evidence that these criteria had been met by the beneficiary of monies from this account,

- (C) all transactions from this account to individuals or companies in relation to properties on the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River, and
- (D) the scope of work associated with the transactions, and
- (v) reports on the distribution of monies for the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Program in the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River between 1 January 2014 and 30 June 2017 including:
 - (A) the criteria for distributing monies from this program,
 - (B) all transactions from this program to individuals or companies, and
 - (C) the scope of work associated with the transactions.

Document received: 6 October 2017

Administration—Member for New England—Solicitor-General’s advice

General business notice of motion: 428

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 16 August 2017

That—

- (a) the Senate notes:
 - (i) the admission of the Member for New England, Mr Barnaby Joyce MP, that he may hold New Zealand citizenship,
 - (ii) that the New Zealand Government has confirmed that Mr Joyce is a citizen of New Zealand, and
 - (iii) that the case has been referred to the Court of Disputed Returns; and
- (b) there be laid on the table, by the Attorney-General, **by no later than noon on 17 August 2017**, the Solicitor-General’s advice regarding the eligibility of the Member for New England to continue to sit as a member of the House of Representatives or serve as a minister in the Cabinet.

Statement made: 16 August 2017

Document tabled: 18 August 2017

Immigration—Refugees—Resettlement to the United States of America

General business notice of motion: 430

Moved by: Senator McKim

Date agreed to: 4 September 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes media reports which contain many of the details of arrangements between the Australian Government and the Government of the United States of America for the resettlement of refugees and asylum seekers on Manus Island and Nauru;
- (b) notes the failure of the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection to comply with the order of the Senate made on 8 February 2017 to provide to the Senate all information relating to the refugee resettlement deal for people on Manus Island and Nauru between Australia and the United States of America;
- (c) also notes that the Minister’s response, tabled on 15 February 2017, does not set out the particular harm to the public interest that would result by providing these documents, but instead relies on a letter to the Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, dated 7 January 2017, in relation to a tangentially related inquiry;
- (d) does not accept that a blanket claim, to withhold information from the Senate and its committees, regarding the Government’s negotiations for the resettlement of asylum seekers on Manus Island and Nauru, meets the terms of the Senate order of continuing effect relating to public interest immunity claims; and

- (e) orders that there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, **no later than 11 September 2017**, all documents and correspondence held by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection, or the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, or members of his staff, created after 1 November 2015, relating to the resettlement of asylum seekers or refugees previously and currently on Manus Island and Nauru, including, but not limited to:
- (i) the terms of the arrangement, or arrangements, with the United States of America,
 - (ii) all letters and emails between the Department and the Minister,
 - (iii) all briefing notes, including all ministerial briefing notes,
 - (iv) all internal departmental emails and memos, and
 - (v) all recorded or noted phone calls and meetings, including meeting agendas and minutes, and the names and positions of persons present.

Documents tabled: 11 September 2017 [[Minister Dutton](#), [Minister Cash](#)]

Defence—Review of ASC Pty Ltd—Future Frigate tender

General business notice of motion: 432

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 4 September 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) ASC Pty Ltd is a Government Business Enterprise, ultimately owned by the taxpayer,
 - (ii) early in its deliberations on the future submarine project, the Department of Defence made a decision to not involve ASC in any substantive work on the future submarine – a fact only revealed to the Senate on 20 June 2017 at an Economics References Committee hearing,
 - (iii) on 11 October 2016 – in response to a strategic review of ASC, that was conducted in 2015 – the Government announced that it was splitting ASC group into three entities:
 - (A) Shipbuilding
 - (B) Submarine Sustainment, and
 - (C) Infrastructure, and
 - (iv) Defence has made a decision to exclude ASC from any management role in the Future Frigate Program – a plan also withheld from the Senate; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table, respectively, by the Minister for Finance and the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, **by the close of business on 6 September 2017**:
- (i) the report of the strategic review of ASC Pty Ltd that was conducted in 2015, and
 - (ii) all unclassified portions of the Future Frigate tender documentation set.

Document tabled: 6 September 2017

Document tabled: 7 September 2017

Family and community services—Cashless Debit Card Trial

General business notice of motion: 442

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 4 September 2017

That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 5 September 2017**, the Wave 2 Final Evaluation Report of the Cashless Debit Card Trial authored by ORIMA Research and all associated documents.

Statements made: 4 September 2017 [Minister [McGrath](#), Senator [Siewert](#)]

Document tabled: 5 September 2017

Defence—Future Frigate project—Australian company partners

General business notice of motion: 449

Moved by: Senators Xenophon and Carr

Date agreed to: 5 September 2017

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Government has embarked on a \$35 billion program to provide nine Future Frigates to the Royal Australian Navy;
 - (b) the Government has made a decision to exclude Australian companies from any leadership and management role in the Future Frigate Program, a decision that the Department of Defence has not conveyed to the Senate; and
 - (c) a decision to exclude either of the two very experienced Australian naval shipbuilders, ASC Pty Ltd and Austal, shows a completely unwarranted lack of confidence the Government has in Australian Industry Capability, and has sovereign implications.
- (2) That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, **by the close of business on 6 September 2017:**
 - (a) Gateway Review briefs and decisions in relation to the Future Frigate project to the extent that those briefs and decisions go to Australian Industry Capability, the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program;
 - (b) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and ASC Pty Ltd in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the \$35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide;
 - (c) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and Austal in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the \$35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide;
 - (d) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and the three prospective design partners in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the \$35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide; and
 - (e) any other documentation held by the Future Frigate project that discusses Australian Industry Capability, the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program.

Document tabled: 7 September 2017

Environment—Murray-Darling Basin—Allegations concerning illegal structures and water diversion

General business notice of motion: 450

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 5 September 2017

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Murray Darling river system is a national resource;
 - (b) the aim of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, agreed to in 2012, is to ensure that water is shared between all users, including the environment, in a sustainable way;
 - (c) it is important that the Commonwealth, the States and users comply with the agreed plan;
 - (d) on 31 August 2017, the ABC's *Lateline* program aired serious allegations in respect to illegal structures and water diversion within the Murray-Darling Basin and the alleged failure by officials to act upon the assertion of these allegations to authorities by the Lamey family; and
 - (e) the Senate has an oversight responsibility in relation to implementation and execution of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan and visibility to the response of authorities to any allegations of conduct contrary to the plan, or the law, will assist the Senate in this regard.
- (2) That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by the start of business on 15 September 2017:**
 - (a) any correspondence between the Lamey's and the Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA), the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (DAWR) and/or the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder (CEWH) raising allegations over illegal structures, water diversion and other improper conduct taking place near their property on the McIntyre River west of Goondiwindi;

- (b) any correspondence between Norman Farming Pty Ltd (and related entities) and the MDBA, the DAWR or the CEWH in relation to issues raised by the Lamey's;
- (c) any internal correspondence of the MDBA, DAWR and/or CEWH on the issues raised by the Lamey's (excluding correspondence dealing with media enquiries);
- (d) any correspondence between the MDBA, DAWR, and/or CEWH on the issues raised by the Lamey's (excluding correspondence dealing with media enquiries);
- (e) any correspondence from the MDBA, DAWR and/or CEWH to the Queensland Department of National Resources and Mines and/or SunWater on the issues raised by the Lamey's;
- (f) a summary of the expenditure of public money from the Commonwealth, including through any Queensland Government programs, to Norman Farming Pty Ltd (and related entities), since commencement of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, including:
 - (i) the expenditure amounts,
 - (ii) the associated volume of water,
 - (iii) the scope of work associated with each expenditure amount,
 - (iv) evidence that the work associated with each expenditure amount has been completed, and
 - (v) evidence that the volume of water associated with each expenditure is verified; and
- (g) a summary of any negotiations on-foot between the MDBA, DAWR, and/or CEWH and Norman Farming Pty Ltd (and related entities), including in relation to the store and release of environmental water.

Documents received: 20 October 2017

Family and community services—Cashless Welfare Card evaluation

General business notice of motion: 464

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 6 September 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Social Services, **by 3.30 pm on 7 September 2017**, the evaluation of the Cashless Welfare Card commissioned by the Department of Social Services and authored by Mr J Rob Bray and Professor Matthew Gray, and all associated documents.

Statement made: 6 September 2017

Document tabled: 7 September 2017

Health—Alcohol and drug treatment and rehabilitation services

General business notice of motion: 472

Moved by: Senator Kakoschke-Moore

Date agreed to: 7 September 2017

- (1) That the Senate notes that:
 - (a) during the Senate inquiry into the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017, Professor Alison Ritter, Director, Drug Policy Modelling Program, National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, told Senator Kakoschke-Moore: "There was a model that I worked on to develop state-by-state estimates of unmet demand for alcohol and other drug treatment. Those data are theoretically available. The Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy said we were not able to release those results and they were not to be made available to anyone who requested them";
 - (b) Professor Ritter advised the direction to not make the model public occurred in 2014 and again "about 12 months ago"; and
 - (c) Professor Ritter went on to state: "In my opinion, the concern from the ministerial council was that it would identify the substantial responsibility that the states and territories and the Commonwealth Government needed to start to take in relation to the appalling situation in relation to drug treatment".

- (2) That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, **by the close of business on 13 September 2017**:
- (a) the model and technical manual which can be used to generate state-by-state estimates of unmet demand for alcohol and drug treatment and rehabilitation services in Australia, which has previously been described as the Drug and Alcohol Clinical Care and Prevention (DA-CCP) Project and the Drug and Alcohol Services Planning Model (DASPM);
 - (b) any correspondence between the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre and the Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy regarding the release of the model and technical manual known as the DA-CCP and DASPM; and
 - (c) any other documentation relating to use of the model, including any reports and data produced by the Commonwealth using the model.

Statement made: 7 September 2017

Documents tabled: 14 September 2017 [[correspondence](#) from Minister Nash; [technical manual](#); [final report to the IGCD](#); [estimator tool](#)]

Defence—Future Frigate project—Australian company partners—Failure to comply with Senate order no. 449

General business notice of motion: 488

Moved by: Senators Xenophon and Carr

Date agreed to: 12 September 2017

- (1) The Senate notes that:
- (a) on 5 September 2017, the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry for:
 - (i) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and ASC Pty Ltd in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the \$35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide,
 - (ii) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and Austal in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the \$35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide,
 - (iii) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and the three prospective design partners in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the \$35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide, and
 - (iv) any other documentation held by the Future Frigate project that discusses Australian Industry Capability, the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program;
 - (b) on 7 September 2017, the Minister for Defence tabled a letter in response claiming public interest immunity, and stated that release of such documents would potentially damage national security, damage international relations and adversely affect the Department of Defence's negotiation position in respect of future contracts;
 - (c) information on Australian Industry Capability and the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program are not matters that would reasonably attract a security classification – the order for production of documents does not seek access to any documents that have been marked with national security markings, only unclassified data;
 - (d) the tender is restricted to three foreign companies: BAE Systems, Fincantieri and Navantia – a claim that disclosing documents passed to three commercial companies could in some way affect Australia's international relations is not a reasonable claim;
 - (e) the Government is seeking to negotiate a contract that prevents established Australian shipbuilders and their workers from a lead role in Australia's Continuous Naval Shipbuilding Program – this approach will have the opposite effect of a creating a sovereign capability – contract negotiations under the current tender arrangements will be harmful to Australian industry and national security; and
 - (f) on 16 July 1975, the Senate laid out by resolution its position with respect to public interest immunity claims – paragraph 4 of that resolution makes it clear that, while the Senate may permit claims of public interest immunity to be advanced, it reserves the right to determine whether a particular claim will be accepted.

- (2) The Senate does not accept the public interest immunity claim made by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry in relation to the order for production of documents number 449 and requires the minister to table documents in full compliance with order for the production of documents number 449 **by the commencement of business on 13 September 2017**.
- (3) If the Minister does not comply with this order for the production of documents by the specified time, the Senate **requires the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry to attend the Senate at the end of question time on 13 September 2017**, so that any senator may ask for an explanation in connection with this matter, and at the conclusion of the explanation any senator may move without notice a motion to take note of the explanation or any failure to provide an explanation.

Statements made: 12 September 2017 [[Minister McGrath](#), [Senator Xenophon](#)]

Matter debated: 13 September 2017 [first speaker: [Senator Payne](#)]

Defence—Future Frigate project—Terms of request for tender

General business notice of motion: 495

Moved by: Senator Xenophon

Date agreed to: 14 September 2017

- (1) That the Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Government has embarked on a \$35 billion program to provide nine Future Frigates to the Royal Australian Navy;
 - (b) on 31 March 2017, a Request for Tender (RFT) was released by the Department of Defence to three foreign companies which stated that it was the Commonwealth's intention that the successful tenderer will directly manage and supervise the workforce undertaking the shipbuilding work, and that the responsibility for build management and supervision should not be subcontracted in its entirety to a third party entity;
 - (c) the effect of these RFT terms is that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal have been locked out of priming the Frigate Program project and this current plan places Australian shipbuilders in the shadows of new invitee foreign shipyards; noting ASC Shipbuilding has no work on its order books beyond 2019, the Government's approach could have significant impact on the future prospects of the company, and Austal will survive but certainly will not thrive;
 - (d) the current RFT will not serve to create a sovereign shipbuilding capability, but rather have the opposite effect;
 - (e) the Minister for Defence Industry has been quoted in the media stating that advice from the Department of Defence is that changing the RFT to mandate a particular shipbuilder would result in a delay of at least two years; and
 - (f) it is implausible that permitting the fully-established, world-class, Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal and their experienced workforce and proven track records would slow down a program that would otherwise require the setting up, from scratch, of a foreign shipbuilder with no current workforce.
- (2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, **by the close of business on 14 September 2017**, a detailed statement from the Minister for Defence Industry justifying his claim made to the media.

[Document](#) received: 18 September 2017

Community Affairs References Committee—Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework—Government response

General business notice of motion: 503

Moved by: Senator Griff

Date agreed to: 14 September 2017

- (a) That the Senate notes that:
 - (a) the report of the Community Affairs References Committee, *Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework*, was tabled in the Senate on 11 May 2017;

- (b) the price of devices on the Prostheses List has a material impact on health insurance premiums, which have increased by approximately 5.6 per cent each year over the past ten years;
 - (c) prostheses account for 14 per cent of the cost of hospital cover reimbursements, with a flow-on effect to the cost of premiums, as provided in evidence to the inquiry;
 - (d) private health insurers indicated to the inquiry that savings on prostheses would be passed to members through lowered health insurance costs;
 - (e) in February next year, the Minister for Health will announce the average increase in private health insurance premiums, which will take effect in April, based on the applications made by insurers this year;
 - (f) the Government's response to the 16 recommendations made in the report of the Community Affairs References Committee, combined with the prostheses price reductions it has already mandated this year, will help provide direction to private health insurers that may influence the level of premium increase they decide to seek for 2018; and
 - (g) the deadline for private health insurers to make an application to the Minister for Health for the 2018 private health insurance premium round is 10 November 2017.
- (b) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, **by no later than 16 October 2017**, the Government's response to the recommendations of the report of the Community Affairs References Committee, *Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework*.

Document tabled: 14 September 2017

Health—Australian Capital Territory—Pill testing trial

General business notice of motion: 522

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 17 October 2017

That the Senate—

(1) Notes:

- (a) the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) government's approval of a trial of pill testing at the Spilt Milk music festival at Commonwealth Park, Canberra on 25 November 2017;
- (b) that the ACT Shadow Attorney-General (Mr Hanson) wrote to the Minister for Local Government and Territories and the Minister for Health (Senator Nash) about the Federal Government's 'anti--drug campaign' highlighting that the Minister can give the National Capital Authority 'general directions as to the performance of its functions; and
- (c) that the pill testing trial at Spilt Milk was subsequently postponed due to requirements for further documentation in untenable timeframes by the National Capital Authority.

(2) Orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Local Government and Territories, **by no later than 6 pm on 19 October 2017**:

- (a) any response from a government Minister to the correspondence from the ACT Shadow Attorney-General; and
- (b) any documents relating to the pill testing trial at the Spilt Milk festival in the Australian Capital Territory to the National Capital Authority from the Minister for Regional Development, the Attorney-General, the Minister for Health or any other government source in September or October 2017.

Statement made: 17 October 2017

Document tabled: 18 October 2017

Administration—Government procurement—Economic benefit to the economy

General business notice of motion: 525

Moved by: Senators Carr and Xenophon

Date agreed to: 18 October 2017

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) on 29 June 2017, the Joint Select Committee into Government Procurement tabled its report, *Buying into our Future: Review of amendments to the Commonwealth Procurement Rules*; and
 - (b) among other things, the report found that ‘Economic benefit, in particular, requires explicit definition and weighting to properly assess suppliers claims’.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 19 October 2017**, a copy of the report commissioned by the Department of Finance entitled, *Template for tender responses regarding economic benefit to the Australian economy*.

Document tabled: 18 October 2017

Industry—National Energy Guarantee

General business notice of motion: 536

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 18 October 2017

That—

- (a) the Senate notes the Government’s claims that its National Energy Guarantee will reduce household bills by an average of \$110 to \$115 per year over the period between 2020 to 2030; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by no later than 12.45 pm on 19 October 2017**, documents and detailed modelling that support the Government’s claims of a reduction in household energy bills.

Statement made: 18 October 2017

Document tabled: 19 October 2017

Industrial relations— Australian Workers’ Union—Registered Organisations Commission investigation

General business notice of motion: 553

Moved by: Senator Cameron

Date agreed to: 14 November 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Employment, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 27 November 2017**, the following documents:

- (a) all emails and messages, including text messages and messages sent on any instant messaging service or application, between any employee of the Minister’s office and any employee of the Prime Minister’s office between 9 am on 23 October 2017 and 30 October 2017 which refer or relate to:
 - (i) the Registered Organisations Commission (ROC) investigation into the Australian Workers’ Union (AWU), or
 - (ii) the execution of a search warrant on AWU premises in relation to the ROC investigation, or
 - (iii) media presence at the execution of a search warrant on AWU premises in relation to the ROC investigation, or
 - (iv) the allegation that the Minister’s office tipped-off the media that the search warrant was to be executed, or
 - (v) the decision, on or about 27 October 2017, that the person employed as Fair Work Ombudsman Director of Media would not take up a position in the Minister’s office;
- (b) all correspondence received by the Minister or her office from the Registered Organisations Commissioner or his office relating to any:

- (i) inquiry, or
 - (ii) investigation, or
 - (iii) 'Matter under assessment', or
 - (iv) the opening of a file,
- including, but not limited to, any matter related to any registered organisation or in relation to any police investigation into the possible leak of the raid of the AWU offices;
- (c) all correspondence received by the Minister or her office from the Fair Work Commission General Manager or their office relating to any:
- (i) inquiry, or
 - (ii) investigation, or
 - (iii) 'Matter under assessment'; or
 - (iv) the opening of a file,
- including, but not limited to, any matter related to any registered organisation; and
- (d) phone records, including phone numbers, time and date of call, and duration of call, for each of the following people between 20 October 2017 and 30 October 2017:
- (i) the Minister for Employment,
 - (ii) the Minister's Chief of Staff,
 - (iii) the Minister's Senior Media Adviser,
 - (iv) the Minister's Junior Media Adviser(s), and
 - (v) the Minister's Adviser with responsibility for matters relating to the Registered Organisations Commission.

Document tabled: 28 November 2017

Industrial relations— Australian Workers' Union—Registered Organisations Commission investigation

General business notice of motion: 554

Moved by: Senator Cameron

Date agreed to: 14 November 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Employment, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 16 November 2017**, the following documents:

- (a) all emails and messages, including text messages and messages sent on any instant messaging service or application, between the Minister and any staff member employed in her ministerial or electorate office between 9 am on 23 October 2017 and 11 pm on 27 October 2017, which refer or relate to:
- (i) the Registered Organisations Commission (ROC) investigation into the Australian Workers' Union (AWU),
 - (ii) the execution of a search warrant on AWU premises in relation to the ROC investigation,
 - (iii) media presence at the execution of the search warrant,
 - (iv) the allegation and subsequent admission that the Minister's office tipped-off the media that the search warrant was to be executed, and
 - (v) the decision that the person employed as Fair Work Ombudsman Director of Media would not take up a position in the Minister's office;
- (b) all emails and messages, including text messages and messages sent on any instant messaging service or application, between any employee of the Minister's office and the person employed as Fair Work Ombudsman Director of Media between 9 am on 23 October 2017 and 30 October 2017 which refer or relate to:
- (i) the ROC investigation into the AWU,
 - (ii) the execution of a search warrant on AWU premises in relation to the ROC investigation,
 - (iii) media presence at the execution a search warrant on AWU premises in relation to the ROC investigation,
 - (iv) the allegation that the Minister's office tipped-off the media that the search warrant was to be executed, and
 - (v) the decision, on or about 27 October 2017, that the person employed as Fair Work Ombudsman Director of Media would not take up a position in the Minister's office;

- (c) all emails and messages, including text messages and messages sent on any instant messaging service or application, between the Minister's Senior Media Advisor and any person other than the Minister or an employee of the Minister, on 24 October 2017, 25 October 2017 and 26 October 2017 which refer or relate to the execution of a warrant obtained by the ROC to search offices of the AWU;
- (d) all emails, file notes, memos and forms held by the Minister's office or the Fair Work Ombudsman which relate to:
 - (i) the resignation or termination of employment on 26 October 2017 of the person employed on that date as the Minister's Senior Media Advisor,
 - (ii) all advertisements, wherever circulated, of job vacancies in the senator's ministerial office between 1 August 2017 and 27 October 2017,
 - (iii) any offer of employment in the Minister's office which had been made, prior to 26 October 2017, to the person then employed as the Fair Work Ombudsman Director of Media, and
 - (iv) the decision, on or about 27 October 2017, that the person employed as Fair Work Ombudsman Director of Media would not take up a position in the Minister's office; and
- (e) any question time briefs, or draft question time briefs created between 20 October 2017 and 26 October 2017 relating to the ROC, the AWU, or the execution of a warrant on the Victorian and National Office of the Australian Workers' Union.

Document tabled: 16 November 2017

Adani Carmichael mine

General business notice of motion: 558

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 14 November 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes Senator Brandis' comments to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee on 26 October 2017, in relation to the Adani Group's Carmichael mine, that "the Australian Government has written to the Government of China to confirm that the project has received all necessary Queensland State Government and Australian Government environmental and mining approvals"; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, **by no later than 12.45 pm on 15 November 2017**, any correspondence from the Australian Government to foreign governments or their agencies in relation to the Adani coal mine or its infrastructure, including the letter from the then-Deputy Prime Minister (Mr Joyce), and the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Mr Ciobo) to the Chinese National Development and Reform Commission.

Document tabled: 15 November 2017

Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility—Master facility agreements

General business notice of motion: 564

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 15 November 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) prior to providing funding through the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility, the Federal Government must agree to Master Facility Agreements with the Governments of Queensland, Western Australia and the Northern Territory,
 - (ii) the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan) indicated, in response to an estimates question on 1 June 2017, that he intended to release the Master Facility Agreements once they had all been signed, and
 - (iii) the final Master Facility Agreement was signed by the Federal Government and the Western Australian State Government on 3 November 2017; and

- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, **by no later than 12.45 pm on 16 November 2017**, copies of the Master Facility Agreements agreed between the Federal Government and the Governments of Queensland, Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

Statement made: 15 November 2017

Documents tabled: [16 November 2017](#); **documents received:** [18 December 2017](#)

Murray-Darling Basin Plan—Water purchases

General business notice of motion: 579

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 16 November 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) the Murray-Darling river system is a national resource,
 - (ii) the aim of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, agreed to in 2012, is to ensure that water is shared between all users, including the environment, in a sustainable way,
 - (iii) it is important that the plan is executed effectively and with financial responsibility,
 - (iv) on 26 October 2017, the *Guardian* revealed that the Government had purchased 22 mega litres of water at a price of \$78M in circumstances where there were independent valuations for the same water of \$24.8 million (an Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences valuation) and \$38 million (Herron Todd White valuation), and
 - (v) the Senate has an obligation to inform itself as to whether taxpayers' money being spent on the Murray-Darling Basin Plan is being spent efficiently and effectively; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by the start of business on 28 November 2017**:
- (vi) all decisions and associated decision reasoning for all purchases of water across the Basin from 1 January 2017, and
 - (vii) all valuations/assessments in the Government's possession related to each of these purchases, including independent valuations/ assessments.

Document tabled: 12 February 2018

Document received: 26 October 2018

Royal Australian Navy and its Saudi Arabian counterpart—joint training exercise

General business notice of motion: 585

Moved by: Senator Whish-Wilson

Date agreed to: 27 November 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes ABC media reports on 15 November 2017, referring to Operation Manitou and the fact that, on 14 August 2017, the Royal Australian Navy conducted a training exercise with its Saudi Arabian counterpart in the Red Sea;
- (b) further notes that Saudi Arabia is currently enforcing a naval blockade of Yemen, which has led to widespread food shortages; and

- (c) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by no later than 12.45 pm on 29 November 2017**, any documents relating to the joint training exercise between the Royal Australian Navy and its Saudi Arabian counterpart on 14 August 2017.

Document tabled: 29 November 2017

Document received: 20 December 2017

Department of Human Services—Data breach

General business notice of motion: 610

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 29 November 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) on 3 July 2017, *The Guardian Australia* broke the story that private Medicare numbers were being illegally sold on the dark web,
 - (ii) the Minister for Human Services stated that both he and his department had only been made aware of the breach when *The Guardian* contacted them on 3 July 2017,
 - (iii) on 15 September 2017, the Finance and Public Administration References Committee questioned the Department of Human Services during the inquiry into this breach, at which time the department failed to mention any early knowledge about the breach, and
 - (iv) on 21 November 2017, it was revealed by *The New Daily* that heavily redacted FOI documents show that officers of the Department of Human Services were aware of the breach 11 days prior to *The Guardian* story's publication; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services, **by no later than 6.30 pm on 4 December 2017**:
- (i) any advice provided to the Minister by the Department of Human Services relating to the breach, prior to 3 July 2017,
 - (ii) any documents relating to the breach from the Department of Human Services, prior to 3 July 2017, and
 - (iii) any related documents.

Document tabled: 4 December 2017

Environment and Communications References Committee—Australia's video game development industry—Government response

General business notice of motion: 640

Moved by: Senators Steele-John and O'Neill

Date agreed to: 5 December 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
- (i) the unanimous findings of the Environment and Communications References Committee report, *Game on: more than playing around – The future of Australia's video game development industry*, received on 29 April 2016,
 - (ii) the absence of any government response to the findings of this inquiry, and
 - (iii) that, on 25 May 2017, the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield) and the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Communications and the Arts (Mr Richard Eccles) stated at the Budget estimates hearing, in response to questioning by Senator Ludlam, that a finalised draft response to this inquiry has been submitted to the Government for consideration,
 - (iv) on 24 October 2017, the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield) stated at supplementary Budget estimates, in response to questioning by Senator Urquhart, that processes for a whole-of-government response were ongoing and included his input; and

- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Communications, **by no later than 3 pm on 6 December 2017**, a copy of the government response to this report.

Document tabled: 6 December 2017

Document received: 31 January 2018

Mr Don Burke—Social media contact with minister

General business notice of motion: 642

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 6 December 2017

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by no later than 6.30 pm on 7 December 2017:

- (a) any documents produced by, with, or featuring celebrity gardener Mr Burke from 1 November 2016,
- (b) any advice provided to the Minister by the Department relating to social media featuring Mr Burke since 1 November 2016 and prior to 4 December 2017,
- (c) any documents relating to social media featuring the Minister and Mr Burke since 1 November 2016 and prior to 4 December 2017, and
- (d) any related documents.

Statements made: 6 December 2017 [\[first speaker\]](#)

Document received: 13 December 2017

South Australia—Radioactive waste management facility, Kimba

General business notice of motion: 643

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 6 December 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) in 2015, the Government commenced consultation with the local community of Kimba in South Australia on whether the town might host a radioactive waste management facility, in order to ascertain if there was 'broad community support',
 - (ii) in an early 2016 vote on the issue, the community was shown to be split down the middle – 51 per cent in favour to 49 per cent against,
 - (iii) a late 2016 vote was then held, where the numbers changed slightly to 56 per cent in favour to 41 per cent against,
 - (iv) on 22 March 2017, the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, responding to a question from then Senator Xenophon on the meaning of 'broad community support', advised the Senate that the Government had taken a proposal forward in the Hawker region in South Australia where support was at 65 per cent,
 - (v) the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia further advised that, while the Government has not put a definitive figure on what constitutes 'broad community support', the Government would need a figure in the range of the support received in Hawker,
 - (vi) Kimba voted a third time in July this year, with a total of 88 per cent of the community voting – the results have come in at 57 per cent for and 43 per cent against,
 - (vii) at no stage has the 65 per cent 'broad community support' criteria the Government set itself been reached, and
 - (viii) on 27 June 2017, the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia announced that two proposed sites for a radioactive waste management facility at Kimba will proceed to the next phase of assessment; and

- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, by no later than 3.30 pm on 7 December 2017, a definition of the decision criteria 'broad community support' and all information used by him to determine that proceeding to the next phase of assessment for the two proposed sites for a radioactive waste management facility at Kimba had 'broad community support'.

Statements made: 6 December 2017 [\[first speaker\]](#)

Document received: 8 December 2017

Ms Sally Zou—Donations made to the Liberal Party of Australia and state branches

General business notice of motion: 654

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 6 December 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes comments made, on 5 December 2017, by the Acting Special Minister of State (Senator Cormann) that the current regulatory regime surrounding foreign donations risks the "inappropriate foreign interference in our democratic system"; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Acting Special Minister of State, **by no later than 6.30 pm on 7 December 2017**, documents relating to all donations to the Liberal Party of Australia and state branches, made between 1 January 2015 and 5 December 2017, by Chinese national Ms Sally Zou or by entities owned or operated by her.

Statement made: 6 December 2017

Document tabled: 6 December 2017

Asylum seekers—Construction of West Lorengau Haus

General business notice of motion: 662

Moved by: Senators Griff and McKim

Date agreed to: 7 December 2017

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) the Manus Island Regional Processing Centre was formally shutdown on 31 October 2017,
 - (ii) more than 600 men refused to leave the centre, for reasons including fears for their safety, and were forcibly removed on 24 November 2017,
 - (iii) the detainees were transferred to the expanded East Lorengau Refugee Transit Centre and West Lorengau Haus, with non-refugees housed at Hillside Haus,
 - (iv) from the time of the processing centre's closure, until at least 17 November 2017, a number of media reports, photographs and eyewitness accounts indicated the accommodation at West Lorengau Haus – meant to house up to 300 men – was still incomplete, and
 - (v) according to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and media reports, West Lorengau Haus had intermittent power and water and incomplete security fencing up to mid-November;
- (b) further notes that:
- (i) during supplementary Budget estimates in October 2017, the Department of Immigration and Border Protection advised that the Government's contract with the International Health and Medical Services (IHMS) would be extended to 28 February 2018,
 - (ii) refugee advocates have raised concerns about what appears to be a reduced level of medical and health services provided to detainees during this transition period,
 - (iii) the Australian Medical Association has asked the Government to allow its doctors to treat detainees on the island, but its offer has been rejected by the Government, and

- (iv) Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders) has also called for access to the men in the transit centres, expressing concern the medical and psychological needs of the men are not being met; and
- (c) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, **by 9 am on 20 December 2017**:
 - (i) any correspondence with contractors, reports, memos or photographs relating to the progress of the construction of West Lorengau Haus accommodation, fencing and essential services, made since 1 October 2017 until 6 December 2017,
 - (ii) any correspondence between the Department of Immigration and Border Protection and its contractors seeking extensions of time or budget to deliver the accommodation, security or essential services at West Lorengau Haus, or regarding difficulties in providing agreed services,
 - (iii) the parts of any existing contract, MOU, letter of intent or agreement made with IHMS, with regard to the health and medical services to be provided to detainees, including the type of services to be provided, the specialities (such as psychiatric, general practice, counselling, etc) to be made available at each of the three facilities and the number of practitioners within each, provision of medication, hours to be worked, and the range and limits of responsibilities to be exercised by practitioners,
 - (iv) any variations, in respect of paragraph (c)(iii), to the previous contract or agreement,
 - (v) the parts of any existing contract, MOU, letter of intent, memo or agreement made with Palladin, with regard to the services to be provided, the timeframes in which they are to be provided, obligations on staff, and any requirement or prohibition on using or allowing access to external service providers (such as MSF),
 - (vi) any variations, in respect of paragraph (c)(v), to the previous contract or agreements,
 - (vii) the parts of any existing contract, MOU, letter of intent, memo or agreement made with the following providers, with regard to the range and quality of services to be provided, the timeframes in which they are to be provided, any requirement or prohibition to use local subcontractors: JOA Wokman, Toll Group and NKW, and
 - (viii) any variations, in respect of paragraph (c)(vii), to previous contracts or agreements.

Statement made: 7 December 2017

Document received: 17 January 2018

2018

Defence—Future Frigate project—Tender documentation—Compliance with Senate order nos 432 and 449

General business notice of motion: 667

Moved by: Senators Patrick and Carr

Date agreed to: 6 February 2018

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) on 4 September 2017, the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry for all unclassified portions of the Future Frigate tender documentation set;
 - (b) on 5 September 2017, the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry for, amongst other things, any other documentation held by the Future Frigate project that discusses Australian Industry Capability the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program;
 - (c) on 7 September 2017, the Minister tabled a letter in response to both orders for production claiming public interest immunity, and stated that release of such documents would potentially damage national security, damage international relations and adversely affect the Department of Defence's negotiation position in respect of future contracts;

- (d) on 12 September 2017, the Senate declared that it did not accept the minister's public interest immunity claim, and required either full compliance with the orders for production or that the minister attend the Senate at the end of question time on 13 September 2017 to provide the Senate with further explanation;
 - (e) on 13 September 2017, the minister gave a further explanation to the Senate claiming that release of the documents during an active tender would affect commercial arrangements that are able to be achieved during negotiations with any successful tenderer, damage national security, defence damage international relations; and
 - (f) on 25 January 2018, the Department of Defence released 292 pages of the Future Frigate Program in full to former Senator Xenophon – the public interest immunity claims asserted by the minister, were, in her own department's view, mistaken.
- (2) Orders for the production of documents are a key Senate tool used to ensure effective oversight of Government and must be responded to by ministers with utmost consideration, care and accuracy.
 - (3) The Senate requires the minister to table documents in full compliance with orders for the production of documents nos 432 and 449 **by the commencement of business on 12 February 2018**.
 - (4) That the Minister for Defence be required to attend the Senate at **9.30 am on 8 February 2018** to make a statement of not more than 20 minutes, addressing why the Senate should accept the minister's explanation as to why she made written and verbal claims to the Senate that her own Department has found unsustainable.
 - (5) That any senator may move a motion to take note of the minister's statement and any such motion may be debated for no longer than 1 hour, and have precedence over all other government business until determined.

Document tabled: 12 February 2018

Murray-Darling Basin Authority—Adjustment mechanism projects— Assessments

General business notice of motion: 685

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 7 February 2018

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment Assessment Committee (SDLAAC) plays an important role in assessing and advising the Basin Officials Committee (BOC) on proposed measures which may provide an opportunity to adjust Sustainable Diversion Limits (SDL);
 - (b) the SDLAAC also advises the BOC on constraint measures which remove or ease constraints on the capacity to deliver environmental water;
 - (c) in June 2017, the BOC endorsed a package of 36 measures to be included for modelling assessment of SDL adjustment contribution; and
 - (d) in order to make a considered decision on any changes to the SDL, the Senate requires access to the assessments of the 36 adjustment mechanism projects.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 15 February 2018**, all assessments of the 36 adjustment mechanism projects completed by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA), including all individual proposal assessment information given to SDLAAC or BOC by the MDBA to inform their decision to support or not support an SDL adjustment or constraints proposal.

Document tabled: 22 March 2018

Asylum seekers—West Lorengau Haus—Compliance

General business notice of motion: 698

Moved by: Senators Griff and Patrick

Date agreed to: 8 February 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 7 December 2017, the Senate passed a motion for an order for the production of documents (OPD) relating to correspondence between the Commonwealth and its Australian contractors on Papua New Guinea's Manus Island, and
 - (ii) the OPD related to parts of contracts, correspondence, reports, memos or photographs relating to accommodation and services being delivered at West Lorengau;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) the documents were sought following concerns expressed by advocates and eyewitnesses regarding the standards of accommodation at West Lorengau, including incomplete fencing and plumbing, intermittent power and water, and the sufficiency of the health and other services being delivered, particularly as compared to previous services delivered at the Manus Island regional processing centre,
 - (ii) according to the UNHCR's fact sheet on Manus Island, updated on 21 January 2018, many of these concerns are ongoing,
 - (iii) on 17 January 2018, the then-Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs and the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Birmingham) released a two-page response from the Minister for Home Affairs (Mr Dutton), but no documents were returned, and
 - (iv) the response stated that the release of the documents would be contrary to the public interest, and "should be done on the grounds that the disclosure could be reasonably expected to cause damage to Australia's international relations with PNG";
- (c) acknowledges the question of what constitutes a reasonable expectation of damage to international relations has been the subject of proceedings in the Federal Court, specifically in *Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade v Paul Whittaker (2005)*, where the court stated that "Damage to international relations might reasonably be expected where the disclosure of a document may disclose sensitive information so as to cause, or reasonably be expected to cause, actual and significant damage...the test is not whether there is a risk of damage to international relations; the test requires a higher degree of certainty of damage";
- (d) does not accept that the order for the production of documents made on 7 December 2017 has been adequately dealt with, insofar as the material requested would, by necessity, include a range of information that has no bearing on Australia's relationship with Papua New Guinea;
- (e) does not accept that public interest immunity has been appropriately advanced, and calls on the Minister to review the nature of the documents ordered on 7 December 2017, and apply a higher test of real risk rather than hypothesised risk; and
- (f) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs and the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, **by 9 am on 19 March 2018**, any correspondence requested on 7 December 2017 which meets the proper test.

Statement made: 8 February 2018

Document tabled: 19 March 2018

Future Submarine Project—Australian Industry Capability Plan

General business notice of motion: 700

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 12 February 2018

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) in April 2016, former Australian CEO of Future Submarine designer DCNS (now known as Naval Group), Mr Sean Costello, stated to the media that “over 90 per cent” of the \$50 billion submarine build would take place in Australia;
 - (b) shortly after, the Minister for Defence Industry (Mr Pyne) reiterated those comments on ABC’s Q&A program;
 - (c) in June 2017, Mr Brent Clark, CEO of DCNS Australia, told a Senate committee that “an aim point of greater than 60 per cent would be something that [DCNS] would aim for”;
 - (d) in October 2017, it was reported by Fairfax media that the Minister made public comments at the Pacific 2017 Naval Conference clarifying the definition of a local build to be 60 per cent, and confirming that at least 60 per cent of the work on the submarines would be done by Australian firms;
 - (e) in February 2018, Mr Costello confirmed that the 90 per cent build figure “absolutely” went into the tender response presented to the Australian Government, “down to the percentile” and it is reasonable to presume that this 90 per cent build figure would have influenced the Australian Government’s decision to award the contract to DCNS;
 - (f) the level of Australian industry involvement and local content in the Future Submarine Project is critical to Australia’s defence industry, Australian jobs, and the economic benefit that the Future Submarine Project brings; and
 - (g) there needs to be clarity on the minimum level of Australian industry involvement in the Future Submarine Project.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 14 February 2018**, the Australian Industry Capability Plan submitted by DCNS to the Department of Defence in its response to the Future Submarine Competitive Evaluation Process (CEP).

Statements made: 12 February 2018 [[Senator Patrick](#), [Minister McGrath](#)]

Document tabled: 15 February 2018

Rotation of senators—Section 13 of the Constitution

Government business notice of motion: 1

Moved by: Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham)

Date agreed to: 13 February 2018

That—

- (a) as soon as practicable, after the High Court orders a special count of the ballots from the 2016 Senate election for any state and makes an order declaring that a person identified by that count is duly elected as a senator for that state, there be laid on the table a copy of the statement of results report for that count; and

- (b) if such a report is tabled, in relation to any state, then the order of the Senate of 31 August 2016, made pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, have effect in relation to senators from that state as if a reference to the certificate of election were a reference to the most recent statement of results report.

Statements made: 13 February 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

[Document](#) received: 21 February 2018

Murray-Darling Basin Plan—Northern Basin Review

General business notice of motion: 708

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 13 February 2018

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) reports of allegations of water theft, corruption and bureaucratic misadministration have been a blow to community confidence that the Basin Plan is on track;
 - (b) in his first speech in 2016, the current Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources argued that “The balance [of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan] has been weighted disproportionately, without an understanding of the social and economic impacts on our communities”;
 - (c) the former Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, in a leaked recording, said to a group of NSW irrigators, regarding the merging of the portfolios of agriculture and water resources, “We’ve taken water and put it back into agriculture so we can look after you and make sure we don’t have the greenies running the show basically sending you out the back door”;
 - (d) downstream communities, such as those in South Australia, rely on upstream users to do the right thing and for the rules to be applied without favour to any one group; and
 - (e) the wisdom of this reliance is jeopardised when allegations of theft and corruption are not adequately addressed.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by 6.30 pm on 13 February 2018:**
 - (a) any correspondence received by the Chief Executive of the Murray-Darling Basin Authority, or representatives thereof, from the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, or representatives thereof, between 1 November 2017 and 12 February 2018;
 - (b) any internal and external correspondence, reports (including drafts), presentations (including drafts) regarding the Northern Basin Review between 17 November 2016 and 24 November 2016, between:
 - (i) members of the Murray-Darling Basin Authority board,
 - (ii) the Murray-Darling Basin Authority,
 - (iii) the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources,
 - (iv) the office of the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources,
 - (v) the office of the Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, and
 - (vi) the office of the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder.

[Statement](#) made: 13 February 2018

[Document](#) tabled: 15 February 2018

[Document](#) received: 22 May 2018

National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing

General business notice of motion: 716

Moved by: Senator Dodson

Date agreed to: 14 February 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes the failure of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (the Minister) to:
 - (i) provide a clear statement on the future of the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing,
 - (ii) detail future plans, for the states of South Australia, Western Australia and Queensland and the Northern Territory, on the available funding for remote housing, and
 - (iii) give a clear account of negotiations with those jurisdictions on future funding arrangements;
- (b) orders that all correspondence between the Minister and his Department and state and territory Ministers, and all correspondence between officials on the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing, since the beginning of December 2017, be laid on the table by 5 pm on 15 February 2018;
- (c) requires the Minister to attend the Senate at 12 pm on 20 March 2018 so that, prior to government business being called on, any senator may ask for an explanation for the failure to engage in detailed consultations with the states and territories on remote housing; and
- (d) resolves that:
 - (i) in the event that the Minister provides an explanation, any senator may, at the conclusion of the explanation, move without notice—That the Senate take note of the explanation, or
 - (ii) in the event that the Minister does not provide an explanation, any senator may, without notice, move a motion with regard to the Minister's failure to provide an explanation, and
 - (iii) any motion to take note under paragraphs (d) (i) or (ii) have precedence over all other government business for a period of no more than 2 hours.

Statements made: 14 February 2018 [[Senator Dodson](#), [Minister McGrath](#)]

Document tabled: 15 February 2018

Document tabled: 19 March 2018

Matter debated: 20 March 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Federal Circuit Court of Australia and the Family Court of Australia—Funding

General business notice of motion: 733

Moved by: Senators Griff, Pratt, Hanson and Hinch

Date agreed to: 20 March 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the failure of the Government to adequately fund the Federal Circuit Court of Australia and the Family Court of Australia,
 - (ii) that the Government's neglect of the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Circuit Court of Australia means that families facing the most serious family law issues can wait up to three years before a final trial,
 - (iii) that the continued failure by the Government to adequately resource the family law system has served to create a snowballing effect, the social and economic cost of which will continue to be felt by the community for years to come,

- (iv) that the Government has failed to consult with the courts and the legal profession to formulate a clear plan for the future,
 - (v) that, in March 2014, a report by KPMG, commissioned by the Attorney-General's Department, into the funding of federal courts was presented to the Government but has still not been released,
 - (vi) that the KPMG report, obtained by *The Australian* in 2014, warned of significant cuts to service and staffing levels potentially leading to increased delays in litigation, the closure of smaller registries and cutbacks to services in regional Australia,
 - (vii) that the warnings in the KPMG report appear to have gone unheeded by the Government,
 - (viii) that, in 2014-15, as part of the response to the KPMG report, the Attorney-General's Department undertook additional work with Ernst & Young to develop costings scenarios involving federal courts, and
 - (ix) that KPMG's comprehensive report confirming the financial crisis facing federal courts and proposing a range of possible solutions, along with the Ernst & Young costings in response to the KPMG report, should be released prior to the Senate voting on the Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Attorney-General, **by 9.30 am on 22 March 2018**:
- (i) the KPMG report into the funding of federal courts, and
 - (ii) the Ernst & Young costings in response to the KPMG report.

Statement made: 20 March 2018

Australian Building and Construction Commissioner

General business notice of motion: 751

Moved by: Senator Cameron

Date agreed to: 21 March 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes the claim of public interest immunity grounded on legal professional privilege made by the Minister for Jobs and Innovation in correspondence of 15 February 2018 to the Chair of the Education and Employment Legislation Committee in relation to questions taken on notice by the Minister, the former Department of Employment and the Australian Building and Construction Commission during the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates, in relation to the following matters:
 - (i) advice received by the Minister pertaining to the character of the conduct of the former Australian Building and Construction Commissioner relating to his contravention of section 503 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Question No. EMSQ17- 004346),
 - (ii) documents held by the former Department of Employment in relation to litigation involving the former Australian Building and Construction Commissioner concerning a contravention of section 503 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Question No. EMSQ17-004483),
 - (iii) details of telephone conversations between the former Acting Australian Building and Construction Commissioner and the Chief Counsel, Workplace Relations Legal, Department of Employment (Question Nos EMSQ17-004483 and EMSQ17-004485),
 - (iv) documents and details of communications between the Australian Building and Construction Commission and the Minister and her office relating to a claim for legal indemnity made by the former Australian Building and Construction Commissioner (Question No. EMSQ17-004486),
 - (v) issues other than legal advice canvassed in telephone conversations between the former Acting Australian Building and Construction Commissioner (Question No. EMSQ17-004494), and

- (vi) discussions between the former Acting Australian Building and Construction Commissioner and the former Department of Employment pertaining to potential claims for public interest immunity to be made during the course of 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates (Question Nos EMSQ17-004484 and EMSQ17-004495);
- (b) notes that, on 28 February 2018, the Education and Employment Legislation Committee accepted the Minister's claim of public interest immunity;
- (c) notes that it has never been accepted in the Senate, nor in any comparable representative assembly, that legal professional privilege provides grounds for a refusal of information in a parliamentary forum;
- (d) notes the resolution of the Senate of 11 October 2016, in which, among other things, the Senate affirmed the following principles:
 - (i) there is no general public interest immunity that allows ministers or departments to withhold legal advice, but rather that each claim of public interest immunity is assessable by the Senate and that information of the particular potential harm should be provided to the Senate to make this assessment,
 - (ii) while the Senate may permit claims of public interest immunity to be advanced, it reserves the right to determine whether a particular claim will be accepted, and
 - (iii) Australian courts have acknowledged that for the Parliament to undertake its duties it must be able to require the Executive to produce documents, and that the justification for legal professional privilege does not apply;
- (e) notes that the litigation in Federal Court matter No. NSD 1379 of 2016, involving the former Australian Building and Construction Commissioner has concluded; and
- (f) does not accept the public interest immunity claim made by the Minister for Jobs and Innovation in relation to the matters referred to in paragraph (a), and orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Jobs and Innovation, **by not later than the conclusion of question time on 26 March 2018**, the advice, documents and details of discussions, communications and conversations requested in the questions taken on notice at the 2017-18 Supplementary Budget estimates by the Minister, the former Department of Employment and the Australian Building and Construction Commission.

Statements made: 21 March 2018 [[Senator McGrath](#); [Senator Patrick](#)]

Document tabled: 28 March 2018

Document tabled: 8 May 2018

Regional Forest Agreements—Forestry Ministers Meetings

General business notice of motion: 756

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 22 March 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 9.30 am on 28 March 2018**, documents related to Regional Forest Agreements as considered by, or arising from, the Forestry Ministers Meetings held on 14 December 2016 in Melbourne, on 31 March 2017 in Sydney, and on 30 August 2017 in Launceston, and any subsequent meetings, including agendas, minutes, appendices, attachments and documents resulting from actions arising in those meetings.

Document tabled: 28 March 2018

National Health Reform Agreement funding—Queensland

General business notice of motion: 772

Moved by: Senator Chisholm

Date agreed to: 27 March 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, **by no later than noon on 28 March 2018**, documents held or prepared by the Department of Health, National Health Funding Administrator, the office of the Minister for Health and/or the office of the Prime Minister:

- (a) listing for each of the years 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17, the amount:
 - (i) remitted by the Commonwealth for block funded public hospital services in Queensland under the National Health Reform Agreement,
 - (ii) remitted by the Commonwealth for activity-based funded public hospital services in Queensland under the National Health Reform Agreement,
 - (iii) remitted by Queensland for block funded public hospital services in Queensland under the National Health Reform Agreement, and
 - (iv) remitted by Queensland for activity-based funded public hospital services in Queensland under the National Health Reform Agreement;
- (b) listing for each of the years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20, the amount projected to be paid by the Commonwealth in respect of public hospital services in Queensland and incorporated in the current budget forward estimates;
- (c) source documentation and data for the information in (a) and (b), including documents disclosing any workings or calculations required to provide the information; and
- (d) documents, including briefing notes, internal memoranda, and emails disclosing evidence for the claim by government members that Queensland reduced public hospital expenditure by \$63.8 million in the 2017-18 state budget.

Statement made: 27 March 2018

Document tabled: 28 March 2018

Federal courts—Funding—Attendance by minister

General business notice of motion: 774

Moved by: Senators Griff, Hanson and Hinch

Date agreed to: 27 March 2018

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) on 20 March 2018, the Senate agreed to an order for the production of documents directing that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Attorney-General, by 9.30 am on 22 March 2018:
 - (A) the March 2014 KPMG report into the funding of federal courts, and
 - (B) the Ernst & Young costings in response to the KPMG report, and
 - (ii) to date, the Minister has failed to comply with the order for the production of documents;
- (b) the Senate requires the Minister to **table documents in full compliance with the above order for the production of documents by 5 pm on 27 March 2018**; and

- (c) in the event that the Minister does not table documents in full compliance with the order, the Senate orders that:
- (i) the Minister representing **the Attorney-General is required to attend the Senate at 9.30 am on 28 March 2018** and, prior to government business being called on, to explain why the Minister has not complied with the order of the Senate of 20 March 2018,
 - (ii) in the event that the Minister provides an explanation, any senator may, without notice, move a motion to take note of the Minister's statement,
 - (iii) in the event that the Minister does not provide an explanation, any senator may, without notice, move a motion with regard to the Minister's failure to provide an explanation, and
 - (iv) any motion under paragraph (c)(ii) or (iii) may be debated for no longer than 1 hour, and have precedence over all government business until determined.

Statement made: 27 March 2018

Document tabled: 28 March 2018

Matter debated: 28 March 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Future Submarine Project—Australian Industry Capability Plan—Compliance and attendance by minister

General business notice of motion: 775

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 27 March 2018

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
- (a) on 12 February 2018, the Senate agreed to an order for the production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, for the Australian Industry Capability Plan submitted by DCNS (now Naval Group) to the Department of Defence in its response to the Future Submarine Competitive Evaluation Process (CEP);
 - (b) the order followed a lack of clarity as to the minimum level of Australian industry involvement expectations of Government for the Future Submarine Project;
 - (c) on 15 February 2018, the duty minister tabled a letter in response to both orders for production claiming public interest immunity and stated that release of the document would:
 - (i) affect the commercial interests of Naval Group, and
 - (ii) adversely affect Australia's international relations,and advised the Senate that the Government was awaiting the outcome of an Information Commissioner Review into freedom of information (FOI) exemptions claimed over the same document;
 - (d) it was conceded by government in 1992, that the fact that a freedom of information request for information has been or could be refused under the FOI Act is not a legitimate basis for a claim of public interest immunity in a parliamentary forum;
 - (e) on 25 June 2014, the Senate passed a resolution declaring that declining to provide documents or answer questions on the basis that an FOI request has been made for the same information is an unacceptable response, is not supported by the FOI Act and shows a profound lack of respect for the Senate and its committees;
 - (f) a Senate claim of commercial confidentiality must be carefully advanced and claimed narrowly so as to recognise the public interest that lies in openness and transparency on this very important project;

- (g) the claim that the release of the documents will affect international relations is not properly made out and is flawed (and has not even been advanced by the Department of Defence as a concern in the Information Commissioner Review) because the document which is the subject of the order is a document of a French-law Public Limited Company, not a document of the French State; and
 - (h) orders for the production of documents are a key Senate tool used to ensure effective oversight of Government, and must be responded to by Ministers with utmost consideration, care and accuracy.
- (2) The Minister for Defence **be required to attend the Senate at the conclusion of question time on 10 May 2018 to make a statement**, of not more than 20 minutes, addressing why the Minister:
- (a) has advanced a claim showing a profound lack of respect for the Senate;
 - (b) offered a broad confidentiality claim that does not correctly balance the public interest in knowing what DCNS promised, in respect of Australian industry involvement in our largest ever Defence project; and
 - (c) has advanced a claim that releasing the document to the Senate would affect Australia's international relations knowing that this claim is inconsistent with the position of her own Department.
- (3) Any senator may move a motion to take note of the Minister's statement, and any such motion may be debated for no longer than 1 hour, and have precedence over all other government business until determined.

Statements made: 27 March 2018 [[Senator McGrath](#); [Senator Patrick](#); [Senator Whish-Wilson](#)]

Matter debated: 10 May 2018 [first speaker: [Minister Payne](#)]

Document tabled: 10 May 2018

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority digital strategy

General business notice of motion: 785

Moved by: Senator Brown

Date agreed to: 28 March 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, **by no later than 5 pm on 28 March 2018:**

- (a) all correspondence between the Minister for Finance and the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources relating to the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) Digital Strategy; and
- (b) a copy of the APVMA Digital Strategy.

Document tabled: 28 March 2018

National Broadband Network

General business notice of motion: 793

Moved by: Senator Urquhart

Date agreed to: 9 May 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) in its response to question on notice no. 197 from the October supplementary estimates, NBN Co provided breakdowns on the number of premises expected to be ready for service in each state by 2020, broken down by technology type, as well as the number of premises expected to be in design and construction in each state by 2020, broken down by technology type,

- (ii) the Senate asked for an update to this information as question on notice no. 145 at the 2018 additional estimates hearings,
 - (iii) NBN Co responded to question on notice no. 145 with reference only to its response to question on notice no. 197 from the 2017-18 supplementary Budget estimates and to other public documents that do not contain the specific information sought,
 - (iv) the Senate sought a clarification of NBN Co's response to question on notice no. 145 on 24 April 2018 and requested a response by 4 May 2018, and
 - (v) the NBN Co response has not been received; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Communications, **by 9.30 am on 10 May 2018**, an updated response with information current to 13 March 2018.

Document received: 14 May 2018

Murray-Darling Basin Authority—Adjustment mechanism projects

General business notice of motion: 798

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 9 May 2018

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that:
- (a) on 7 February 2018, the Senate agreed to an order for the production of documents concerning all assessments of the 36 adjustment mechanism projects completed by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority (MDBA);
 - (b) on 22 March 2018, the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan) tabled documents within the scope of the order in full; and
 - (c) on 23 March 2018, the MDBA wrote to Senator Patrick advising that the documents they had provided do not, in isolation, provide a good representation of how the final agreed package of projects was put together by jurisdictions, and the strength of the assessment process undergone by all proposals brought forward by Basin states, but advised that there was a final modelled notified package that included all issues raised by jurisdictions in their assessments.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 15 May 2018:**
- (a) the final modelled notified package for all adjustment mechanism projects; and
 - (b) the current project status of all adjustment mechanism projects.

Statement made: 9 May 2018

Document received: 4 June 2018

Document tabled: 27 June 2018

Overseas departmental and agency staff

General business notice of motion: 803

Moved by: Senator Wong

Date agreed to: 9 May 2018

That there be laid on the table, **by no later than 11.45 am on 10 May 2018**, outstanding answers to the questions on notice listed, relating to department or agency staff based overseas, asked of the following ministers:

- (a) Senator Cormann, Minister representing the Prime Minister, question on notice no. 698;

- (b) Senator Payne:
 - (i) Minister for Defence, question on notice no. 710,
 - (ii) Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, question on notice no. 723, and
 - (iii) Minister representing the Minister for Defence Personnel, question on notice no. 728; and
- (c) Senator Cash, Minister representing the Attorney-General, question on notice no. 702.

Statement made: 9 May 2018

Document tabled: 10 May 2018

Questions on notice— Minister representing the Prime Minister—Answers

General business notice of motion: 804

Moved by: Senator Wong

Date agreed to: 9 May 2018

That there be laid on the table, **by no later than 11.45 am on 10 May 2018**, outstanding answers to the 23 questions on notice listed, asked of the Minister representing the Prime Minister (Senator Cormann):

- (a) nos 358, 359, 360, 361, 362 and 363 (asked on 10 February 2017);
- (b) no. 473 (asked on 5 May 2017);
- (c) nos 502, 503 and 506 (asked on 17 July 2017);
- (d) nos 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585 and 586 (asked on 30 October 2017); and
- (e) nos 690, 691 and 692 (asked on 5 February 2018).

Statement made: 9 May 2018

Document tabled: 10 May 2018

2017-18 additional estimates—Unanswered questions on notice

General business notice of motion: 811

Moved by: Senator Collins

Date agreed to: 9 May 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann), **by no later than 11.45 am on 10 May 2018**, all outstanding answers to questions on notice as at 26 April 2018 from the 2017-18 additional estimates hearings in the following portfolios:

- (a) Health (141 answers);
- (b) Human Services (16 answers);
- (c) Jobs and Innovation (Industry, Innovation and Science), in which no questions have been answered (91 answers);
- (d) Treasury (48 answers);
- (e) Education and Training (118 answers);
- (f) Jobs and Innovation (Jobs and Small Business) (73 answers);
- (g) Environment and Energy (126 answers);
- (h) Prime Minister and Cabinet (including cross portfolio Indigenous matters and agencies) (74 answers);
- (i) Defence, including Veterans' Affairs (60 answers);

- (j) Agriculture and Water Resources (including cross portfolio Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters), in which no questions have been answered (212 answers); and
- (k) Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities, in which no questions have been answered (128 answers).

Statement made: 9 May 2018

Document tabled: 10 May 2018

Genetic Control of Invasive Rodents Program—Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation involvement

General business notice of motion: 812

Moved by: Senator Bartlett

Date agreed to: 10 May 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Assistant Minister for Science, Jobs and Innovation, **by no later than 10 am on 5 June 2018:**

- (a) all documents relating to Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation's (CSIRO) involvement in the Genetic Control of Invasive Rodents Program (GBIRD), except those documents that are already public documents;
- (b) all correspondence between CSIRO staff and the Australian Academy of Science regarding its report on gene drives; and
- (c) all documents relating to CSIRO's Australian Stakeholder/Community/Public Engagement Plan on synthetic biology.

Document received: 4 June 2018

Thalidomide—Australian survivors—Government responsibility

General business notice of motion: 837

Moved by: Senator Steele-John

Date agreed to: 19 June 2018

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) in May 2016, Maddocks Lawyers completed a report for the then Minister for Health, Ms Ley, and the Department of Health in relation to the Australian survivors of thalidomide, focusing on the relationship and responsibility of the Australian Government towards these survivors,
 - (ii) in October 2016, Thalidomide Group Australia submitted an application to the Department of Health seeking access to this report under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*, and
 - (iii) in November 2016, the Department of Health refused access to this document to Thalidomide Group Australia, citing that the document is subject to legal professional privilege; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, **by no later than 3 pm on 20 June 2018**, a copy of the report prepared by Maddocks Lawyers for former Minister Ley and the Department of Health in May 2016.

Statements made: 19 June 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 21 June 2018

Document tabled: 16 August 2018

Great Barrier Reef Foundation

General business notice of motion: 857

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 20 June 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Jobs and Innovation, **by no later than 9.30 am on 27 June 2018**, documents relating to the Great Barrier Reef Foundation generated since 1 July 2017 and held by:

- (a) the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation; and
- (b) the Australian Institute of Marine Science.

Statements made: 27 June 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Documents tabled: 13 August 2018

Future Submarine Project-Final cost estimate template

General business notice of motion: 862

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 20 June 2018

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) in respect of the cost estimates of the Future Submarine Project:
 - (A) the Auditor-General has stated, in the Future Submarine Competitive Evaluation Process (CEP) report, that the Defence White Paper 2009 signalled an approximate spend of \$50 billion dollars on the construction and sustainment of the Future Submarine over its life,
 - (B) the 2016 Defence White Paper Integrated Investment Plan indicated the future submarine design and build would be \$50 billion on an out-turned price basis,
 - (C) on 20 May 2018, Defence gave evidence at Estimates that the future submarine design and build cost will be \$50 billion in constant dollars and, additionally, sustainment costs will be \$50 billion in constant dollars, and
 - (D) on 6 June 2018, the Australian Strategic Policy Institute indicated that the estimates figures used by Defence equated to a design and build cost of \$79 billion and a sustainment costs of \$124 billion in out-turned dollars,
 - (ii) as part of its CEP response DCNS (now Naval Group) provided an estimate of the cost of an all-Australian build of eight pre-concept design submarines and a cost of sustainment over a 40 year period,
 - (iii) the submarine CEP has concluded Naval Group is the strategic partner,
 - (iv) there are no other strategic partner commercial contenders,
 - (v) pricing offered was for a pre-concept design submarine which does not accurately reflect the price of the final design, which will be settled in 2022, and
 - (vi) knowledge of the CEP offered price is a valuable marker for future scrutiny of this vital defence project by the Senate; and

(b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, **by no later than 12.30 pm on 26 June 2018**, the following from the Final Cost Estimate Template that DCNS submitted in response to the Future Submarine Competitive Evaluation Process:

- (i) the summary sheet total 'Australian Build Price', and
- (ii) the total sustainment cost from year 1 to year 40 including labour, material and other costs.

[Document](#) tabled: 26 June 2018

[Further resolution](#) agreed to: 28 June 2018 (no. 919), and **statements made** [\[first speaker\]](#)

[Further resolution](#) agreed to: 22 August 2018 (no. 981), and **statements made** [\[first speaker\]](#)

Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder

General business notice of motion: 908

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 27 June 2018

That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources (Senator Canavan), **by no later than 8 pm on 28 June 2018**, documents provided as an incoming brief to the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik.

[Document](#) received: 10 July 2018

[Minister explanation and matter debated:](#) 17 September 2018

Special purpose flights

General business notice of motion: 915

Moved by: Senator Farrell

Date agreed to: 28 June 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 28 June 2018**, the schedule of special purpose flights for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2017.

Statements made: 28 June 2018 [\[first speaker\]](#)

[Document](#) tabled: 28 June 2018

[Document](#) received: 3 August 2018

National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling Basin

General business notice of motion: 926

Moved by: Senator Burstson

Date agreed to: 28 June 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources (Senator Canavan), **by no later than 10 am on 20 July 2018**, all documents and correspondence:

- (a) relating to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources 2016-2017 assessment of NSW compliance with the National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling;

- (b) from the Murray-Darling Basin Authority to the NSW Government or the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources relating to the 2016-2017 assessment of NSW compliance with the National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling; and
- (c) from the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder to the NSW Government or the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources relating to the 2016-2017 assessment of NSW compliance with the National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling.

Document tabled: 20 September 2018

National Energy Guarantee

Moved by: Senator Di Natale, by leave

Date agreed to: 13 August 2018

- (1) That the Senate notes the failure of the Energy Security Board and the Commonwealth to release the full modelling for the proposed final design of the National Energy Guarantee.
- (2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, **by no later than 9 am on 14 August 2018**, so as to ensure it is available to all members of Parliament to allow party room and caucus consideration of the information provided, a copy of all documents within the Minister's or the Department's possession or control relating to the full modelling of the final design of the National Energy Guarantee conducted by or on behalf of the Energy Security Board.

Document received: 14 August 2018

Financial sector entities—Tax information

General business notice of motion: 937

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 14 August 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 30 May 2018, at an estimates hearing of the Economics Legislation Committee (the Committee), Senator Patrick asked the Australian Tax Office (ATO) whether Goldman Sachs' Australian entities had filed a tax return between 2000 and 2012,
 - (ii) in responding to the Committee, the Commissioner of Taxation submitted that information about identifiable taxpayers is subject to public interest immunity and that tax return lodgement information of the kind sought is "protected information" under taxation confidentiality laws in Division 355 of Schedule 1 to the *Taxation Administration Act 1953*,
 - (iii) this is not an accepted ground of public interest immunity – the Senate derives its inquiry powers directly from the Constitution,
 - (iv) section 355-60 of Schedule 1 to the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* places a legislative restraint on information being disclosed by the ATO to ministers "whether or not provided to a Minister in the course of, or for the purposes of or incidental to, the transacting of the business of a House of the Parliament or of a committee of one or both Houses of the Parliament", however, that provision includes a note that states "This subsection does not limit the operation of section 16 of the *Parliamentary Privileges Act 1987* in any other respect" – that section continues to operate, for example, to enable taxation officers to disclose protected information to a committee of one or both Houses of the Parliament, and
 - (v) in circumstances where a company does not lodge a tax return, they are in breach of the law, and their entitlement to any "unreasonable invasion of privacy" public interest immunity claim is extinguished; and

- (b) orders the Commissioner of Taxation to provide to the Economics Legislation Committee, **by 5 pm on 15 August 2018**, information regarding which financial sector entities that at some stage between 2000 and 2016 had an annual turnover of \$100 million or greater, and any related entities of those financial sector entities regardless of turnover, which:
- (i) did not lodge tax returns during that period, and
 - (ii) did not report nil tax payable during that period.

Statements made: 14 August 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 15 August 2018

Further resolution agreed to: 16 October 2018 (no. 1108); **Document tabled:** 18 October 2018; **Document tabled:** 13 November 2018

Further resolution [2] agreed to: 26 November 2018 (no. 1225) and **statements made:** 26 November 2018 [[first speaker](#)]; **document tabled:** 29 November 2018

Further resolution [3] agreed to: 5 December 2018 (no. 1322) and **statements made** [[first speaker](#)]; **matter debated:** 6 December 2018 [[first speaker](#)]; **document received:** 7 December 2018

Community Development Program—Modelling

General business notice of motion: 951

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 15 August 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, **by the adjournment on 20 August 2018**, the modelling of the impact of the Targeted Compliance Framework on CDP jobseekers that was undertaken by the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet as part of the development of the reforms to the CDP, and the historical data used as part of this modelling, and the regional breakdown of the employment outcomes for CDP for the period 1 July 2015 to 31 May 2018.

Document tabled: 20 August 2018

Great Barrier Reef Foundation—Partnership

General business notice of motion: 954

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 15 August 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Jobs and Innovation, **by no later than 9.30 am on 21 August 2018:**

- (a) documents held by the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science relating to the announcement, establishment and implementation of the partnership with the Great Barrier Reef Foundation; and
- (b) documents held by the Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS) relating to the announcement, establishment and implementation of the partnership with the Great Barrier Reef Foundation.

Document tabled: 21 August 2018

Matter debated: 22 August 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 10 September 2018

Documents tabled: 20 September 2018 ([Department of Industry, Innovation and Science](#); [Australian Institute of Marine Science](#))

Murray-Darling Basin Plan—*Water Act 2007* and the Basin Plan

General business notice of motion: 960

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 15 August 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that transparency, in relation to the Murray-Darling Basin Plan and its implementation, is critical to public confidence; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by 23 August 2018:**
 - (i) advices requested in a letter from the Murray-Darling Basin Royal Commission to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources of 3 May 2018, namely, all prior advice provided to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources of 3 May 2018, concerning:
 - (A) the construction and proper interpretation of the *Water Act 2007* and the Basin Plan,
 - (B) the lawfulness of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan disallowed by the Senate on 6 February 2018,
 - (C) the lawfulness of the proposed amendment to the Basin Plan disallowed by the Senate on 14 February 2018,
 - (D) the lawfulness of the adjustment made to the Basin Plan, the subject of a disallowance motion defeated in the Senate on 8 May 2018, and
 - (E) the constitutional validity of the *Water Act 2007* and the Basin Plan,
 - (ii) all documents, including any minutes of meetings made in accordance with section 196 of the *Water Act 2007*, evidencing the reasoning behind the change of reductions in diversions required to achieve environmental watering requirements of 3856 GL (high uncertainty) and 6983 GL (low uncertainty), down to a reduction in diversions to 2750 GL in the report, *The proposed 'environmentally sustainable level of take' for surface water of the Murray-Darling Basin: Methods and outcomes*, dated November 2011, and the Basin Plan, as enacted on 23 November 2012,
 - (iii) all documents, including any minutes of meetings made in accordance with section 196 of the *Water Act 2007*, relating to the incorporation of social and economic outcomes into the determination of the long-term average sustainable diversion limit reflecting an environmentally sustainable level of take between 8 October 2010 and 23 November 2012,
 - (iv) all documents, including any minutes of meetings made in accordance with section 196 of the *Water Act 2007*, evidencing the further analysis conducted by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority to investigate the ability of alternative SDL options and water recovery strategies to achieve environmental objectives which lead to the adjustment of the recovery target from 2800 GL to 2750 GL,
 - (v) all documents, including any minutes of meetings made in accordance with section 196 of the *Water Act 2007*, referring to the analysis of the equivalent environmental outcomes as required by section 7.15(1)(c) of the Basin Plan of each of the 36 supply measures,
 - (vi) record of any agreement to use another method within the meaning of section 7.15 of the Basin Plan for any of the 36 supply measures, and
 - (vii) the peer review of the report, *Guide to the proposed Basin Plan*, dated October 2010.

Document received: 26 October 2018

Great Barrier Reef Foundation—Grant

General business notice of motion: 978

Moved by: Senator Keneally

Date agreed to: 21 August 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy (Senator Birmingham), **by no later than 10 am on 10 September 2018**, documents held by the Department of the Environment and Energy that demonstrate that, before the grant of \$444 million to the Great Barrier Reef Foundation (the Foundation) was approved:

- (a) due diligence was carried out on the Foundation; and
- (b) evidence was provided of the capacity of the Foundation to manage a grant of this size and to reduce its administration costs by approximately 50 per cent.

Document tabled: 10 September 2018

Further resolution agreed to: 17 September 2018 (no. 1050); **statement** made (17 September 2018)

Department of Human Services—Child support system upgrade (Cuba)

General business notice of motion: 982

Moved by: Senator Patrick

Date agreed to: 21 August 2018

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) since 2013, the Department of Human Services (the Department) has had a program underway to upgrade its child support system ('Cuba') – the approved budget was \$102.3 million,
 - (ii) during the 2015-16 financial year, the total budget was exhausted without the project being completed,
 - (iii) since the 2015-16 financial year, funding to complete the system has come from the Department's internal investment fund and ICT BAU budget,
 - (iv) in response to questions taken on notice during the inquiry of the Finance and Public Administration References Committee into digital delivery of government services, the Department advised that it was unable to determine how much had been spent on the project,
 - (v) in response to questions asked at Budget estimates, the Department could provide no indication of the total spend on the project or provide a target completion date, and
 - (vi) in response to a freedom of information request – Department Reference LEX 37339 – the Department indicated there are 49 documents in existence that fit within the description of 'final versions of all formal executive briefings submitted to the Secretary, Department of Human Services between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018, where the topic of one or all of the executive briefings cover the cost, resource allocation and/or progress of the Child Support System redesign Programme'; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services, **by no later than 10 am on 10 September 2018**, the 49 documents identified by the Department in FOI Department Reference LEX 37339.

Statements made: 21 August 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 10 September 2018

Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder—Induction briefing

General business notice of motion: 989

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 21 August 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 27 June 2018, the Senate agreed to an order for the production of documents (number 908), ordering that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources (Senator Canavan), by no later than 8 pm on 28 June 2018, documents provided as an incoming brief to the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik, and
 - (ii) on 10 July 2018, Senator Canavan advised the President of the Senate that the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources did not provide an incoming brief to the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik;
- (b) further notes that, in response to questions from Senator Patrick on 25 May 2018 during additional estimates hearings of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee on cross-portfolio Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters, Ms Swirepik confirmed she had received an induction briefing prepared by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Office; and
- (c) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by not later than 11.30 am on 23 August 2018**, all documents provided to Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik, as an induction briefing, including its cover brief and all attachments.

Document tabled: 23 August 2018

NBNCo—Evidence provided to a committee

General business notice of motion: 995

Moved by: Senator O'Neill

Date agreed to: 22 August 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 15 August 2018, NBNCo conceded before a hearing of the Joint Standing Committee on the National Broadband Network (the Committee), that it had made a decision to charge regional Australians \$20 more per month than what a user who lives in the city would have to pay for access to the same 50 Mbps broadband speed,
 - (ii) according to Australian Competition and Consumer Commission data, this price increase would impact 9 in 10 regional Australians on the fixed-wireless network if they sought to order a 50 Mbps service over the NBN,
 - (iii) on 16 August 2018, at 10.38 am, NBNCo retrospectively modified an online record of its statement to the Committee, that had been posted to the NBN website, to include a new passage, which did not previously exist, and was not spoken by NBN executives at the committee hearing,
 - (iv) on 16 August 2018, at 11.29 am, the Minister for Communications claimed the regional price increases were still under consultation and had not been decided, and
 - (v) on 17 August 2018, media reports sighting NBN documents reported NBNCo had presented the price increase to industry stakeholders as a done deal;

- (b) calls on the Federal Government to:
 - (i) stop unfairly pushing up broadband prices on households, and
 - (ii) improve the unacceptable lack of transparency in relation to NBNCo decision-making;
- (c) requires the Minister for Communications to table, **by 2 pm on 23 August 2018**:
 - (i) a statement concerning the alteration of the NBNCo opening statement on the NBN website, including why NBNCo altered its statement on its website but has not notified the Committee of a change to its evidence, and
 - (ii) a copy of the presentation and materials given by NBNCo to the telecommunications industry on the afternoon of 15 August 2018, in relation to charging \$65 per month for a 50 Mbps fixed-wireless plan; and
- (d) requires NBNCo to either formally correct the evidence that was given to the Committee, or ensure its website accurately reflects the evidence that was given to the Committee.

Document tabled: 23 August 2018

Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder—Induction briefing

General business notice of motion: 1026

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 11 September 2018

That—

- (1) The Senate notes that, in response to questioning from Senator Patrick, during the additional estimates hearings of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee on cross-portfolio Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters on 25 May 2018, Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik confirmed she had received an induction briefing prepared by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Office.
- (2) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, **by no later than 6.30 pm on 14 September 2018**, all documents provided to the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik, as an induction briefing, including its cover brief and all attachments.

Statement made: 11 September 2018

Document tabled: 17 September 2018

Document received: 21 September 2018

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority—Adverse Experience Reporting Program

General business notice of motion: 1038

Moved by: Senator Griff

Date agreed to: 12 September 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) has an Adverse Experience Reporting Program (AERP) through which purported adverse effects from registered veterinary medicines and agricultural chemicals are reported,

- (ii) while adverse events can be reported by anyone, which includes farmers, vets, animal owners and handlers, and state or territory authorities, however, holders of the registration or permit for a registered product are legally required to report adverse events,
 - (iii) the AERP provides annual reports which document these events,
 - (iv) these annual reports, in their current form, date from 2005 to 2013 and are publicly available on the APVMA website – reports dating back to 1995 are also available on the website,
 - (v) since 2013, there have been no annual Adverse Experience annual reports published on the APVMA website, and
 - (vi) reporting, classification, assessment and action from these adverse events ensures the ongoing safety, quality and effectiveness of agricultural and veterinary products following their registration, and as an example of this, in the 2013 annual report the APVMA assessed, classified and took action when necessary on 3 733 adverse event reports from veterinary medicines, 50 adverse event reports from agricultural chemicals, and 135 reports related to human health adverse events; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by 5 pm on 13 September 2018**, all the Adverse Experience Reporting Program annual reports produced by the APVMA for the year 2014 and every year following, to date.

Statement made: 12 September 2018

Document tabled: 13 September 2018

Religious Freedom Review Expert Panel—Final report

General business notice of motion: 1077

Moved by: Senators McKim, Rice, Pratt, McAllister, Keneally, Kitching and Griff

Date agreed to: 19 September 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, **by no later than 9.30 am on 20 September 2018**, the final report of the Religious Freedom Review Expert Panel.

Statements made: 19 September 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 19 September 2018

Further resolution agreed to: 20 September 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 20 September 2018

Home care packages—Waiting lists

General business notice of motion: 1097

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 20 September 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Senior Australians and Aged Care, **by 5 pm on 28 September 2018**, the most recent data on the number of people in the national prioritisation queue who have been waiting longer than 12 months to receive home care packages.

Statement made: 20 September 2018

Document received: 2 October 2018

Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody—Implementation of recommendations

General business notice of motion: 1104

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 15 October 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, **by 10 am on 24 October 2018**, any reviews or reports relating to the implementation of the recommendations made by the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Document received: 24 October 2018; document **debated:** 12 November 2018

Community Development Program—Final evaluation reports

General business notice of motion: 1111

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 16 October 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, **by 10 am on 18 October 2018**, the final evaluation reports of the Community Development Program.

Document tabled and matter debated: 18 October 2018

Religious Freedom Review Expert Panel—Final report

General business notice of motion: 1121

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 16 October 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Government has repeatedly claimed public interest immunity in response to the orders of the Senate of 19 September and 20 September 2018 for the production of a document, namely, the final report of the Religious Freedom Review Expert Panel;
- (b) further notes that, despite these claims of public interest immunity, significant portions of the final report have been leaked to the media, including its recommendations;
- (c) in light of the leaking of significant portions of the document, is of the view that there can be no legitimate claim that the public interest is served by withholding the balance of the document;
- (d) insists that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, **by no later than 7.20 pm on 16 October 2018**, the final report of the Religious Freedom Review Expert Panel; and
- (e) orders that, **if the final report is not tabled by the specified time**, then:
 - (i) the Minister be required to **attend the Senate on Wednesday, 17 October 2018, before government business is called on**, to explain why the minister has not complied with this order for the production of a document,
 - (ii) at the conclusion of the minister's explanation, any senator may, without notice, move a motion to take note of the minister's explanation, and
 - (iii) any senator may speak to any motion moved under subparagraph (e)(ii) for not more than 10 minutes, and the motion may be debated for no longer than 2 hours and shall have precedence over all government business until determined.

Document tabled: 16 October 2018

Matter debated (in respect of paragraph (e)): 17 October 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Australia's National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Quarterly update

General business notice of motion: 1142

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 17 October 2018

- (1) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, **by not later than 5 calendar months after each:**
 - (a) 31 March;
 - (b) 30 June;
 - (c) 30 September; and
 - (d) 31 December

the quarterly update of Australia's National Greenhouse Gas Inventory.

- (2) If the Senate is not sitting when a quarterly update is ready for presentation, the statement is to be presented to the President under standing order 166.
- (3) This order is of continuing effect.

Statement made: 17 October 2018

Document tabled: 3 December 2018

Document received: 1 March 2019

Australian Research Council—Incoming ministers brief

General business notice of motion: 1174

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 13 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Education, **by no later than 9.30 am on 15 November 2018**, the most recent incoming ministers brief from the Australian Research Council.

Statements made: 13 November 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled and debated: 15 November 2018

Indigenous Advancement Strategy—Grant applications

General business notice of motion: 1175

Moved by: Senator McCarthy

Date agreed to: 13 November 2018

- (1) That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, **by no later than 9.30 am on 15 November 2018:**
 - (a) the advice provided by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to the Minister regarding the grants to the Northern Territory Cattlemen's Association (NTCA), the Amateur Fishermen's Association of the Northern Territory (AFANT) and the Northern Territory Seafood Council (NTSC) that were referred to during the 2018-19 supplementary Budget estimates cross-portfolio hearings of the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee on 26 October 2018;
 - (b) copies of the grant applications by the NTCA, AFANT and NTSC for funding from the Indigenous Advancement Strategy; and

- (c) any correspondence, or any other information including briefs, meeting and file notes from or to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs about these grants.
- (2) At the conclusion of question time on 15 November 2018, and any day after that period, a senator may ask the relevant minister for an explanation of the response to the order contained in paragraph (1) or for an explanation of the failure to respond, and:
 - (a) the senator may, at the conclusion of the explanation, move without notice—That the Senate take note of the explanation; or
 - (b) in the event that the minister does not provide an explanation, the senator may, without notice, move a motion in relation to the minister’s failure to provide either a response or an explanation.

Statement made: 13 November 2018

Matter debated, pursuant to paragraph (2) above: 15 November 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document tabled: 15 November 2018

Document received: 22 November 2018

Australian and Children’s Screen Content Review—Report

General business notice of motion: 1182

Moved by: Senator Urquhart

Date agreed to: 13 November 2018

- (1) That the Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Government announced the Australian and Children’s Screen Content Review (the Review) 18 months ago in May 2017;
 - (b) public consultation for the Review concluded over a year ago in September 2017;
 - (c) the report of the Review was delivered to the Minister for Communications and the Arts almost a year ago in December 2017;
 - (d) the Government has not tabled a response to the report of the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications and the Arts inquiry into factors contributing to the growth and sustainability of the Australian film and television industry, tabled in December 2017; and
 - (e) the delay in the release of the report of the Review is hampering public debate on policy options and causing uncertainty for the screen production and interactive games sector in Australia.
- (2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Communications and the Arts, **by no later than 9.30 am on 15 November 2018**, the report of the Australian and Children’s Screen Content Review.

Document tabled: 15 November 2018

Government responses to committee reports—private health insurance and funding into cancers

General business notice of motion: 1185

Moved by: Senator Griff

Date agreed to: 13 November 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the report of the Select Committee into Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates was tabled on 28 November 2017,
 - (ii) the report made 25 recommendations to improve outcomes for people diagnosed with rare and low-survival cancers, and
 - (iii) on 16 October 2018, Senator Bilyk successfully moved a motion, which Senator Griff co-sponsored, asking the Government to table its overdue response to this important report – the government response has not been tabled;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) the report of the Community Affairs References Committee, *Value and affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs*, was presented on 19 December 2017,
 - (ii) the report made 19 recommendations designed to ease the burden of rising medical costs on consumers, such as recommending that the Minister for Health instruct the Department of Health to publish the fees of individual medical practitioners in a searchable database, and
 - (iii) the Government has yet to table a response to this report; and
- (c) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, **by the start of business on 15 November 2018**, the Government's responses to the recommendations contained in the reports on:
 - (i) value and affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs, and
 - (ii) funding for research into cancers with low survival rates. (*general business notice of motion no. 1185*)

Statement made: 13 November 2018

Document tabled: 15 November 2018

Senator McKim—Visa application—Correspondence

General business notice of motion: 1189

Moved by: Senator McKim

Date agreed to: 13 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, **by 5 pm on 14 November 2018**, all documents or correspondence between the Government of the Republic of Nauru, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, the Department of Home Affairs, the Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and/or the Office of the Minister for Home Affairs, which relate to Senator McKim's application for a Nauru visa.

Statement made: 13 November 2018

Document tabled: 14 November 2018

Document tabled: 26 November 2018

Centrelink—Serco pilot program—Independent review by KPMG

General business notice of motion: 1194

Moved by: Senator Siewert

Date agreed to: 14 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Human Services and Digital Transformation, **by 10 am on 26 November 2018**, the independent review by KPMG of the Serco pilot program, which saw an additional 250 staff engaged to answer phone calls at Centrelink through Serco.

Statement made: 14 November 2018

Document tabled and debated: 26 November 2018

Further resolution agreed to: 3 December 2018 (no. 1277) and **statement made**

Document tabled: 5 December 2018

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park—Cruise ship pollution

General business notice of motion: 1201

Moved by: Senator Waters

Date agreed to: 14 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, **by 26 November 2018**:

- (a) all documents or correspondence between the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) and Carnival Australia, or its cruise line brand P&O Cruises Australia, in relation to the spilling of 27,000 litres of food waste and grey water into the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park on or around 26 August 2018, since the date of the incident;
- (b) all documents or correspondence between AMSA and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority, in relation to the spilling of 27,000 litres of food waste and grey water into the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park on or around 26 August 2018, since the date of the incident; and
- (c) all notifications, breaches and compliance actions taken by AMSA in relation to shipping pollution incidents for the last two years.

Statement made: 14 November 2018

Document tabled: 26 November 2018

Gretals Australia Pty Ltd—Grant

General business notice of motion: 1204

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 14 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, Senator Cormann, **by 10 am on 26 November 2018**, all documents regarding the application, and decision to award government funding to Gretals Australia Pty Ltd.

Document tabled and debated [first speaker]: 26 November 2018

Gretals Australia Pty Ltd—Global Connections Fund Bridging Grants

General business notice of motion: 1229

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 27 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology, **by 9.30 am on 29 November 2018**: all documents regarding the application, and decision to award, and withdrawal of funding to Gretals Australia Pty Ltd for 'Combating resistance: novel and natural compounds for use in animal health' under the Global Connections Fund Bridging Grants, announced in August 2017.

Document tabled: 29 November 2018

Menindee Lakes—Water releases

General business notice of motion: 1231

Moved by: Senator Waters

Date agreed to: 27 November 2018

- (1) The Senate notes that:
 - (a) Menindee Lakes are the water source for irrigators, graziers, riparian land owners and communities in the lower Darling River valley;
 - (b) Menindee Lakes are culturally imperative to Aboriginal people, including the Barkandji as native title owners;
 - (c) water levels in Menindee Lakes have a direct financial relationship with property values and businesses in the lower Darling River valley;
 - (d) Menindee Lakes were at full capacity in 2014 and late 2016;
 - (e) releases from Menindee Lakes in the 2013-14 and 2016-17 water years by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority have emptied the Lakes twice in 3 years;
 - (f) environmental water was released from Menindee Lakes in the 2016-17 water year; and
 - (g) Menindee Lakes are currently at 7% storage capacity.
- (2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by 30 November 2018**, all documents and correspondence, including meeting minutes, relating to:
 - (a) releases from Menindee Lakes between 1 May 2013 and 28 February 2014; and 1 December 2016 and 31 December 2017; and
 - (b) environmental watering releases from Menindee Lakes between 1 December 2016 and 31 December 2017.

Statements made: 27 November 2018 [[first speaker](#)]

Document received: 15 February 2019

Live animal exports—Review

General business notice of motion: 1238

Moved by: Senator Faruqi

Date agreed to: 28 November 2018

That the following documents be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **no later than 9.50 pm on 3 December 2018**:

- (a) any draft versions of the 'Review of the Regulatory Capability and Culture of the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources in the Regulation of Live Animal Exports' provided to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources or the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources; and
- (b) any correspondence between any or all of the following regarding this report or draft versions of the report: the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources, and Mr Philip Moss, AM.

Statement made: 28 November 2018

Matter debated: 4 December 2018 [\[first speaker\]](#)

Document tabled: 5 December 2018

Document received: 8 January 2019

Financial Wellbeing and Capability activity—Tender process for grants

General business notice of motion: 1256

Moved by: Senator McAllister

Date agreed to: 28 November 2018

- (1) That the Senate notes that:
 - (a) the Department of Social Services recently completed the tender process for grants for the Financial Wellbeing and Capability activity, and began notifying applicants of the results in October and November 2018;
 - (b) the tender decisions resulted in a number of organisations receiving real cuts to their funding;
 - (c) these cuts were scheduled to take effect in a matter of weeks; and
 - (d) over the last fortnight, the Minister for Families and Social Services has back flipped and extended selected organisations' existing funding.
- (2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Families and Social Services, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 4 December 2018**, any documents containing the following information:
 - (a) the list of applicants who were successful in the 2018 tenders for each of the grant programs within the Financial Wellbeing and Capability activity, including the amount of funding received and the service area to which it relates;
 - (b) any variations or amendments to the tender outcome;
 - (c) the list of existing grant holders who were unsuccessful or received real cuts in funding in the 2018 tenders for each of the grant programs within the Financial Wellbeing and Capability activity, including the amount of funding lost and the service area to which it related;
 - (d) the list of organisations who were offered extensions of their existing funding after the conclusion of the 2018 tenders for the Financial Wellbeing and Capability grants, including the amount of funding received, the length of the funding extension, and the service area and grant program to which it relates; and

- (e) any correspondence between the Department and the Minister's office relating to paragraphs (a) to (d) above.

Statement made: 28 November 2018

Document tabled: 5 December 2018

Tourism Australia—Contracts

General business notice of motion: 1260

Moved by: Senator Chisholm

Date agreed to: 29 November 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, **by no later than 10 am on 3 December 2018**, all documents regarding contracts entered into by Tourism Australia between 1 January 2004 and 31 January 2006.

Statement made: 29 November 2018

Document tabled: 3 December 2018

Document received: 12 December 2018

Adani Carmichael mine—Departmental investigation

General business notice of motion: 1302

Moved by: Senator Di Natale

Date agreed to: 4 December 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, **on 6 December 2018**, documents relating to the Department of the Environment (the Department) investigation into alleged breaches by the Adani Corporation at its Carmichael mine site, including:

- (a) records of any site inspection, including any photographs or videos taken;
- (b) any brief of evidence prepared to enable the Department to conclude its investigation;
- (c) any advice sought and received on the scope of the definition of 'mining operations';
- (d) any correspondence between the Department and Adani;
- (e) any matters of national environmental significance plan/s for the management of direct and indirect impacts of mining operations on the Doongmabulla Spring Complex or Black-throated Finch; and
- (f) any correspondence between the office of the Minister for the Environment and the Department.

Statement made: 4 December 2018

Document received: 7 December 2018

Document received: 9 January 2019

Regional Forest Agreements—New South Wales

General business notice of motion: 1310

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 5 December 2018

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 9.30 am on 6 December 2018**, any documents relating to the variation, renewal, roll-over or extension of the following Regional Forest Agreements:

- (a) New South Wales – Eden;
- (b) New South Wales – North East; and
- (c) New South Wales – Southern.

Statement made: 5 December 2018

Document received: 7 December 2018

Mount Gambier—Drug and alcohol treatment services—funding

General business notice of motion: 1325

Moved by: Senators Griff and Farrell

Date agreed to: 6 December 2018

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) according to the 2016 National Drug Strategy Household Survey:
 - (A) 6.3% or 1.3 million Australians over the age of 14 reported having used methamphetamines,
 - (B) among recent methamphetamine users, more than half (57%) reported using crystal methamphetamine,
 - (C) of those who had used methamphetamines, including ice, in the past 12 months, 20.4% used these drugs weekly or daily,
 - (D) rates of methamphetamine use were 2.5 times as high among people living in remote or very remote areas, compared to rates among those living in major cities or regional areas, and
 - (E) young people aged 18-24 years old living in rural areas are more likely to report recent drug use, compared to their city counterparts,
 - (ii) on 23 November 2018, the Minister for Health, Mr Hunt, announced a \$20 million funding package to boost drug and alcohol treatment services in South Australia, particularly in regional and rural areas,
 - (iii) this funding will be available over three years and will be provided as grants of up to \$2.5 million in locations specified as 'areas of need', comprising the Fleurieu region, Peterborough and the Mid North, Port Augusta, Ceduna, Murray Bridge, Playford, Port Adelaide and Onkaparinga,
 - (iv) all other areas of South Australia, including Mount Gambier, have been locked out of applying for this funding,
 - (v) there is no detox service offered in the Mount Gambier Hospital,
 - (vi) rehabilitation facilities are offered only in shared houses or family houses,
 - (vii) clients wishing to detox must travel nearly 500km to Adelaide to do so,

- (viii) counselling staff are under-resourced with some seeing up to 7 clients per day, leaving little time for follow-up letters for their clients to doctors, lawyers or other relevant ongoing referrals, and
 - (ix) the wait time for a person to see a drug or alcohol counsellor in the Mount Gambier region is up to three to four weeks; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, **by 9 am on 20 December 2018**, the information and sources it relied on to make the decision to exclude Mount Gambier-based services from applying for this funding.

Statement made: 6 December 2018

Document received: 20 December 2018

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Universal Service Obligation reform options—cost modelling

General business notice of motion: 1335

Moved by: Senator Griff

Date agreed to: 12 February 2019

That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) independent reviews conducted by the Regional Telecommunications Review Committee, the Productivity Commission and the Australian National Audit Office have all issued critical reports on the Universal Service Obligation (USO),
 - (ii) the Productivity Commission has found the number of Australian payphones has almost halved over the last decade,
 - (iii) the Department of Communications and the Arts estimates that 22% of copper services and 9% of payphones have been phased out since 2012,
 - (iv) Telstra is currently paid almost \$300 million a year to maintain these services under the USO,
 - (v) the Department of Communications and the Arts estimates the equivalent universal broadband delivery obligation on NBNCo for fixed wireless and satellite in regional areas will cost the entity in excess of \$800 million per annum, if operating on a full cost-recovery basis, and
 - (vi) on 5 December 2018, the Minister for Communications and the Arts announced that the Government does not intend to change current USO arrangements, despite the Minister's report stating: "Network Strategies concluded that the delivery of voice services using wireless (mobile and fixed) and satellite technologies would be more cost effective than the current arrangements", and "Potential savings in the hundreds of millions of dollars over the period from 2020 to 2032 were identified"; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Communications and the Arts, **by midday on 14 February 2019**:
 - (i) the high-level cost modelling of the USO reform options, that does not impinge on commercial sensitivities, and
 - (ii) the advice provided by NBNCo about the financial costs of servicing additional ADSL customers.

Statement made: 12 February 2019

Document received: 15 February 2019

Further resolution agreed to: 3 April 2019 (no. 1428) and **statement made**

Document received: 5 April 2019

Australian Complementary Medicine industry—Correspondence

General business notice of motion: 1356

Moved by: Senator Carr

Date agreed to: 12 February 2019

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology, **by no later than 3.30 pm on 13 February 2019:** any correspondence between the Prime Minister and the Minister for Industry, Science and Technology regarding the Australian Complementary Medicine industry.

Document received: 15 February 2019

Unanswered estimates questions on notice—2018-19 supplementary Budget estimates hearings

General business notice of motion: 1379

Moved by: Senator Collins

Date agreed to: 13 February 2019

That there be laid on the table by the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann), **by no later than 3.30 pm on 14 February 2019**, all outstanding answers to questions on notice as at 31 January 2019 from the 2018-19 supplementary Budget estimates hearings in the following portfolios:

- (a) Health (210 answers);
- (b) Human Services (91 answers);
- (c) Industry, Innovation and Science (7 answers);
- (d) Treasury (14 answers);
- (e) Education and Training (22 answers);
- (f) Jobs and Small Business (4 answers);
- (g) Communications and the Arts (1 answer);
- (h) Environment and Energy (2 answers);
- (i) Prime Minister and Cabinet (including cross-portfolio Indigenous matters and agencies) (8 answers);
- (j) Defence, including Veterans' Affairs (75 answers);
- (k) Foreign Affairs and Trade (1 answer); and
- (l) Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities (1 answer).

Statement made: 13 February 2019

Association for the Conservation of Threatened Parrots—Permission to export birds

General business notice of motion: 1381

Moved by: Senator Hanson-Young

Date agreed to: 14 February 2019

That—

- (a) the Senate notes that:
 - (i) the German-based Association for the Conservation of Threatened Parrots (ACTP) received permission to export 232 birds between 2015 and November 2018 for exhibition purposes,
 - (ii) among the birds exported were endangered Carnaby's black cockatoos, vulnerable Baudin's black cockatoos, naretha bluebonnets, gang-gang cockatoos and mutation varieties of king parrots and galahs,
 - (iii) the legal import and export of rare and endangered birds is governed by the 1975 Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES), of which Australia and Germany are signatories, and
 - (iv) the ACTP has no facilities freely open to the public; and
- (b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, **by 15 February 2019**, all documents and correspondence, including meeting minutes, that set out the owners of parrots that were supplied for the ACTP prior to the consignments being collated for export.

Statement made: 14 February 2019

Documents received: [15 February 2019](#) and [1 March 2019](#)

Gene Technology Regulations 2001—Proposed amendments—Draft advice

General business notice of motion: 1385

Moved by: Senator Rice

Date agreed to: 14 February 2019

That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than 9.30 am on 18 February 2019**: draft advice issued to states and territories by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources in relation to proposed amendments to the Gene Technology Regulations 2001, discussed at the Legislative and Governance Forum on Gene Technology meeting in October 2018.

Statement made: 14 February 2019

Document received: 4 April 2019

Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority—Proposed Armidale site—Arson investigation

General business notice of motion: 1413

Moved by: Senator Brown

Date agreed to: 2 April 2019

That the Senate—

- (a) notes Coroner Michael Holmes has found the property at 91 Beardy Street in Armidale, the site later chosen for the premises of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, had been destroyed by fire on or around 16 September 2016 in an arson attack caused when an unknown person or persons poured petrol in the building and ignited it; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, **by no later than noon on 3 April 2019:**
 - (i) all internal departmental documents held by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources and its agencies about the New South Wales Police investigation into arson at 91 Beardy Street, Armidale, and
 - (ii) any correspondence between the Department for Agriculture and Water Resources and the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, or his office, about the New South Wales Police arson investigation.

Document received: 4 April 2019

Document received: 5 April 2019

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45TH PARLIAMENT AT 8.29 AM ON THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019

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- 2 **Community Affairs References Committee—Support for Australia's thalidomide survivors—Final report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 3 **Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee—Fairness in franchising—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 4 **Economics References Committee—Credit and hardship: report of the Senate inquiry into credit and financial products targeted at Australians at risk of financial hardship—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 5 **Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Advisory report on the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 6 **Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Status report: Australian Electoral Commission Annual Report 2017-18—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 7 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Allegations of political interference in the Australian Broadcasting Corporation—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 8 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Economic and cultural value of Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 9 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Rehabilitation of mining and resources projects and power station ash dams as it relates to Commonwealth responsibilities—Report**
 Consideration (2 April 2019).

- 10 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Effectiveness of the current temporary skilled visa system in targeting genuine skills shortages—Progress report**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 11 **Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into efficacy of current regulation of Australian migration and education agents—Report**
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- 12 **Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into review processes associated with visa cancellations made on criminal grounds—Report**
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- 13 **National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Progress report**
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- 14 **Scrutiny of Bills—Standing Committee—Scrutiny digest 2 of 2019**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 15 **Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—185th report—Defence support-France; WTO government procurement; prisoner transfers-UAE**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 16 **Community Affairs References Committee—Report—Science of mitochondrial donation and related matters—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 17 **Economics Legislation Committee—Report—Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 18 **Economics References Committee—Report—Australia’s steel industry: forging ahead—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 19 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Report—Gaming micro-transactions for chance-based items—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 20 **Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Digital delivery of government services—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 21 **Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Progress in the implementation of the recommendations of the 1999 Joint Expert Technical Advisory Committee on Antibiotic Resistance—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 22 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Report—Use of the Quinoline anti-malarial drugs Mefloquine and Tafenoquine in the Australian Defence Force—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 23 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Australia’s trade and investment relationships with countries of the Middle East—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 24 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Contestability and consensus: A bipartisan approach to more effective parliamentary engagement with Defence—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 25 **National Broadband Network—Joint Standing Committee—2nd report of the 45th Parliament—The rollout of the NBN in rural and regional areas—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 26 **National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Commonwealth approvals for ACT light rail: Commonwealth and parliamentary approvals for the proposed Stage 2 of the Australian Capital Territory light rail project—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).

- 27 **National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—NDIS ICT Systems—Government responses**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 28 **National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Provision of assistive technology under the NDIS—Government responses**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- *29 **Procedure—Standing Committee—1st report of 2019—Parliamentary code of conduct; Formal business; Closing the Gap statement; Indigenous Australian languages**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *30 **Community Affairs References Committee—Effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality Assessment and accreditation framework for protecting residents from abuse and poor practices, and ensuring proper clinical and medical care standards are maintained and practised—Final report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *31 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Australia’s faunal extinction crisis—Interim report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *32 **Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee—Examination of the annual report for 2016-17 of the Integrity Commissioner—Report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *33 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Freedom of religion and belief, the Australian experience—Second interim report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *34 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into Australia’s aid program in the Indo-Pacific—First report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *35 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into transition from the Australian Defence Force (ADF)—Report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *36 **Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee—Report 2 of 2019—Human rights scrutiny report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *37 **Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Counter-Terrorism (Temporary Exclusion Orders) Bill 2019—Report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *38 **Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Review of the *Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Act 2018*—Report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *39 **Appropriations, Staffing and Security—Standing Committee—61st report—Estimates for the Department of the Senate 2019-20**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *40 **Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Report—ASIO’s questioning and detention powers: Review of the operation, effectiveness and implications of Division 3 of Part III of the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Act 1979—Government response**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *41 **Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Report—Review of the re-listing of Hizballah’s External Security Organisation as a terrorist organisation under the Criminal Code—Government response**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *42 **National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Etched in stone? Inquiry into the administration of the National Memorials Ordinance 1928—Government response**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *43 **Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee—467th report—Cybersecurity compliance: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s report 42 (2016-17)—Government response**
Consideration (3 April 2019).

- *44 **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—Report—Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2018 [Provisions]—Government response**
 Consideration (3 April 2019).
- 45 **Community Affairs References Committee—Report—Value and affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 46 **Economics Legislation Committee—Report—Treasury Laws Amendment (Personal Income Tax Plan) Bill 2018 [Provisions]—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 47 **Education and Employment References Committee—They never came home – The framework surrounding the prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia—Report—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 48 **Education and Employment References Committee—Work health and safety of workers in the offshore petroleum industry—Report—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 49 **Health—Select Committee—Fifth interim report—Black lung: ‘It has bugged my life’—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 50 **Red Tape—Select Committee—Fifth interim report—Effect of red tape on health services—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 51 **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector—Interim and final reports—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 52 **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Australia’s rail industry—Report—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 53 **Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—179th report—Reprocessing Nuclear Fuel – France; PACER Plus Agreement—Government response**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 54 **National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—NDIS ICT Systems—Report**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 55 **National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Provision of assistive technology under the NDIS—Report**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 56 **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Independence of regulatory decisions made by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA)—Report**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 57 **Senators’ Interests—Standing Committee—Register of senators’ interests incorporating statements of registrable interests and notifications of alterations lodged between 1 July and 31 December 2018**
 Consideration (12 February 2019).
- 58 **Electric Vehicles—Select Committee—Report**
 Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 59 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—The practice of dowry and the incidence of dowry abuse in Australia—Report**
 Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).

- 60 **Education and Employment References Committee—The people behind 000: mental health of our first responders—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 61 **Community Affairs References Committee—Support for Australia’s thalidomide survivors—Interim report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 62 **Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Conduct of the 2016 federal election and matters related thereto—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 63 **Charity Fundraising in the 21st Century—Select Committee—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 64 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Great Barrier Reef 2050 Partnership Program—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 65 **Intelligence and Security—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Advisory report on the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Police Powers at Airports) Bill 2018—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 66 **Intelligence and Security—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Review of Administration and Expenditure no. 16 (2016-2017): Australian intelligence agencies—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 67 **Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee—475th report—Defence First Principles review, Naval Construction and Mental Health in the AFP: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 31, 34 and 39 (2017-18)**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 68 **Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee—476th report—Australian Government funding: Inquiry based on Auditor-General’s reports 18 and 50 (2017-18)**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 69 **Education and Employment References Committee—Jobactive: failing those it is intended to serve—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 70 **Corporations and Financial Services—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Options for greater involvement by private sector life insurers in worker rehabilitation—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 71 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2018 [Provisions]—Dissenting report from Opposition senators**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 72 **Senators’ Interests—Standing Committee—Report no. 1 of 2019—Annual report 2018**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 73 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- *74 **Intelligence and Security—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Advisory report on the Australian Citizenship Amendment (Strengthening the Citizenship Loss Provisions) Bill 2018—Report, incorporating a dissenting report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 75 **Intelligence and Security—Parliamentary Joint Committee—Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Bill 2018—Advisory report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).

- 76 **Regulations and Ordinances—Senate Standing Committee—Annual report for 2018**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 77 **Regulations and Ordinances—Senate Standing Committee—Delegated legislation monitor 1 of 2019**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 78 **Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee—Annual Report 2018—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 79 **Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee—Report 1 of 2019—Human rights scrutiny report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 80 **From little things big things grow – supporting Australian SMEs go global: an inquiry into access to free trade agreements by small and medium enterprises—Report**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 81 **Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Report—Review of the re declaration of Mosul District, Ninewa Province, Iraq—Government response**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 82 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Report—Australia’s trade and investment relationships with the countries of Africa—Government response**
Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).
- 83 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into the management of PFAS contamination in and around Defence bases—Report**
Adjourned debate (3 December 2018).
- 84 **Stillbirth Research and Education—Select Committee—Report**
Adjourned debate (4 December 2018).
- 85 **Community Affairs References Committee—Accessibility and quality of mental health services in rural and remote Australia—Report**
Adjourned debate (4 December 2018).
- 86 **Economics References Committee—Non-conforming building products: The need for a coherent and robust regulatory regime—Report**
Adjourned debate (4 December 2018).
- 87 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Use of the Quinoline anti-malarial drugs Mefloquine and Tafenoquine in the Australian Defence Force—Report**
Adjourned debate (4 December 2018).
- 88 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Compassion, not commerce: an inquiry into human organ trafficking and organ transplant tourism—Report**
Adjourned debate (5 December 2018).
- 89 **Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples—Joint Select Committee—Final report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 90 **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 91 **Red Tape—Select Committee—8th interim report—Effect of red tape on private education**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 92 **National Broadband Network—Joint Standing Committee—2nd report of the 45th Parliament—The rollout of the NBN in rural and regional areas**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).

- 93 **Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—183rd report—Aspects of the Peru-Australia Free Trade Agreement revisited**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 94 **Economics References Committee—Financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 95 **Privileges—Standing Committee—172nd report—Disposition of material seized under warrant**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 96 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Legislative exemptions that allow faith-based educational institutions to discriminate against students, teachers and staff—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 97 **Economics References Committee—Regulatory framework for the protection of consumers in the banking, insurance and financial services sector—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 98 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Contestability and consensus: A bipartisan approach to more effective parliamentary engagement with Defence—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 99 **Red Tape—Select Committee—Seventh interim report—Effect of red tape on occupational licensing—Government response**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 100 **Education and Employment References Committee—Wage theft? What wage theft?! – The exploitation of general and specialist cleaners working in retail chains for contracting or subcontracting cleaning companies—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 101 **Community Affairs References Committee—My Health Record system—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 102 **Education and Employment References Committee—They never came home – The framework surrounding the prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 103 **National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Market readiness for provision of services under the NDIS—Report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 104 **Economics References Committee—Future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry—Final report**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 105 **Education and Employment References Committee—Report—Penalty rates—Government response**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).

Auditor-General’s reports

- 1 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 13 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Disability Support Pension – follow-on audit: Department of Human Services; Department of Social Services**
Adjourned debate (3 December 2018).
- 2 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 16 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Implementation of the Australian Government’s workplace bargaining framework: Across entities**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).

- 3 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 17 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Implementation of the annual performance statements requirements 2017-18: Across entities**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 4 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 18 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Administration of the Renewable Energy Target: Clean Energy Regulator**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 5 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 20 of 2018-19—2017-18 Major Projects Report: Department of Defence**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 6 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 22 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Award of a \$443.3 million grant to the Great Barrier Reef Foundation: Department of the Environment and Energy**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 7 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 23 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Northern Australia Quarantine Strategy – follow-on audit: Department of Agriculture and Water Resources**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- *8 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 26 of 2018-19—Performance audit—Australian Government funding of public hospital services risk management, data monitoring and reporting arrangements: Department of Health; Independent Hospital Pricing Authority; National Health Funding Body**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 9 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 29—Performance audit—Efficiency of the investigation of transport accidents and safety occurrences: Australian Transport Safety Bureau**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 10 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 30—Performance audit—ANZAC Class Frigates – sustainment: Department of Defence**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 11 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 31—Performance audit—Defence’s management of its projects of concern: Department of Defence**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 12 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 31—Performance audit—Defence’s management of its projects of concern: Department of Defence—Correction**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 13 **Auditor-General—Audit report no. 32—Performance audit—Addressing illegal phoenix activity: Across entities**
Consideration (2 April 2019).

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Documents for debate

- 1 **Status of government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 31 March 2018**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 2 **President's report to the Senate on the status of government responses to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2018**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 3 **Department of Social Services—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 4 **Australian Building and Construction Commission—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 5 **Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody—Implementation of recommendations—Review—Order of 15 October 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion) responding to the order, and attachment**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 6 **Australian Aged Care Quality Agency—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 7 **Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)—Report for 2017-18 (2 volumes)**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 8 **Australian Digital Health Agency—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 9 **Australian Research Council (ARC)—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 10 **Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC)—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 11 **Financial Adviser Standards and Ethics Authority Limited—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 12 **National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 13 **National Mental Health Commission—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 14 **NBN Co Limited—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 15 **Special Broadcasting Service Corporation (SBS)—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 16 **Status of government responses in the Senate to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 September 2018**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 17 **Australian and Children's Screen Content Review—Order of 13 November 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Communications and the Arts (Senator Fifield), responding to the order and raising a public interest immunity claim**

- Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 18 **Australian Public Service Commission—State of the service—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 19 **Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA)—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).
- 20 **Australian Building and Construction Commission—Performance of the functions and the exercise of powers of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner—Quarterly report for the period 1 July to 30 September 2018**
Adjourned debate (5 December 2018).
- 21 **Tabling of the 2018 regional telecommunications review report—Ministerial statement by the Minister for Regional Services, Sport, Local Government and Decentralisation (Senator McKenzie), and Regional Telecommunications Independent Review Committee—Regional telecommunications review 2018—Getting it right out there**
Adjourned debate (4 December 2018).
- 22 **Wreck Bay Aboriginal Community Council—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (5 December 2018).
- 23 **Fair Work Act 2009—Quarterly reports by the Commonwealth Ombudsman for the periods 15 September to 31 December 2017; 1 January to 31 March 2018; 1 April to 30 June 2018; 1 July to 30 September 2018**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 24 **Drug and alcohol treatment services—Funding—Mount Gambier—Order of 6 December 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion) responding to the order and raising public interest immunity claims, and attachments**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 25 **Financial sector entities—Tax information—Order of 5 December 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann) responding to the order**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 26 **Regional Forest Agreements—Order of 5 December 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan) responding to the order, and attachments**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 27 **Australia Jobs Act 2013—Review of the implementation of the Act**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 28 **Australian Law Reform Commission—Report no. 134—Integrity, fairness and efficiency: an inquiry into class action proceedings and third-party litigation funders—Final report**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 29 **Clean Energy Finance Corporation Act 2012—Statutory review of the Clean Energy Finance Corporation—Report**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 30 **Department of Finance—Campaign advertising by Australian Government departments and agencies—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 31 **Department of the Treasury—Tax Benchmarks and Variations Statement 2018**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 32 **Fair Work Commission—General Manager’s reports under the Fair Work Act 2009 for the period 2015-18—Developments in making enterprise agreements**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 33 **Fair Work Commission—General Manager’s reports under the Fair Work Act 2009 for the period 2015-18—Individual flexibility arrangements**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).

- 34 **Fair Work Commission—General Manager’s reports under the *Fair Work Act 2009* for the period 2015-18—Operation of the provisions of the National Employment Standards relating to requests for flexible working arrangements and extensions of unpaid parental leave**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 35 **Fair Work Ombudsman and Registered Organisations Commission Entity—Report for 2017-18—Correction**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 36 **Mid-year economic and fiscal outlook 2018-19—Statement by the Treasurer (Mr Frydenberg) and the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 37 **Misconduct in the banking, superannuation and financial services industry—Royal Commission—Final report (3 volumes)**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 38 **Productivity Commission—Report no. 90—Murray-Darling Basin Plan: five-year assessment**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 39 **Productivity Commission—Report no. 91—Superannuation: assessing efficiency and competitiveness**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 40 **Workplace Gender Equality Agency—Report for 2017-18**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 41 **Gene technology—SDN-1 altered organisms—Resolution of 15 October 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Regional Services (Senator McKenzie), and attachment**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 42 **Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry—Royal Commission—Publication of submissions—Resolution of 26 November 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Commissioner of the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry (Mr Hayne)**
Adjourned debate (12 February 2019).
- 43 **Advance to the Finance Minister—Report on advances provided under the annual Appropriation Acts for 2017-18**
Consideration (13 February 2019).
- 44 **Defence Trade Controls Act 2012—Independent review on the operation of the Act**
Consideration (13 February 2019).
- 45 **Defence Trade Controls Act 2012—Australian Government initial response to the 2018 independent review**
Consideration (13 February 2019).
- 46 **Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Commonwealth Ombudsman’s reports—Report 1 of 2019**
Consideration (13 February 2019).
- 47 **Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Government response to Commonwealth Ombudsman’s report**
Consideration (13 February 2019).
- 48 **Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum—27th annual meeting, Siem Reap, Cambodia, 13 to 18 January 2019—Report of the Australian parliamentary delegation**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 49 **National Schools Constitutional Convention 2019, Old Parliament House, 19 to 21 March 2019—Communiqué**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 50 **Statement by the President to mark Commonwealth Day 2019**
Consideration (2 April 2019).

- 51 **Association for the Conservation of Threatened Parrots—Permission to export birds—Order of 14 February 2019—Letters to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) [2] responding to the order and raising public interest immunity claims, and attachments**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 52 **Complementary medicine industry—Correspondence—Order of 12 February 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan) responding to the order, and attachments**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 53 **Menindee Lakes—Water releases—Order of 27 November 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan), dated 12 February 2019, responding to the order, and attachments**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 54 **Universal Service Obligation—Order of 12 February 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Communications and the Arts (Senator Fifield), dated 14 February 2019, responding to the order and raising public interest immunity claims**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 55 **Australian National Audit Office—Review of ANAO's methodology to audit performance statements**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 56 **Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976—Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Report on review of detriment: Aboriginal land claims recommended for grant but not yet finalised**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 57 **Anindilyakwa Land Council—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 58 **Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)—Equity and diversity—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 59 **Australian Building and Construction Commission—Performance of the functions and the exercise of powers of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner—Quarterly report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 60 **Australian Communications and Media Authority—Communications Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 61 **Australian Crime Commission Act 2002—Board of the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission—Report for 2016-17**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 62 **Australian Competition and Consumer Commission—Communications market report 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 63 **Australian Competition and Consumer Commission—Telstra's structural separation undertaking—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 64 **Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—Quarterly report for the period 1 July to 30 September 2018**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 65 **Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Act 2016—Report by the Commonwealth Ombudsman for the period 1 October 2017 to 31 December 2017**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 66 **Climate Change Authority—Review of the Emissions Reduction Fund—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 67 **Crimes Act 1914—Authorisations for the acquisition and use of assumed identities—Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).

- 68 **Crimes Act 1914—Authorities for assumed identities—Department of Home Affairs—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 69 **Crimes Act 1914—Witness identity protection certificates—Department of Home Affairs—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 70 **Enhancing Online Safety Act 2015—Report of the statutory review of the Act and the review of schedules 5 and 7 to the Broadcasting Services Act 1992 (Online Content Scheme)**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 71 **Foreign Investment Review Board—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 72 **Independent National Security Legislation Monitor—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 73 **Independent National Security Legislation Monitor—Report to the Prime Minister: the prosecution and sentencing of children for terrorism**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 74 **Indigenous Land Corporation—Report for 2017-18—Correction**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 75 **Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Commonwealth Ombudsman’s reports—Report no. 2 of 2019**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 76 **Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Government response to Ombudsman’s reports**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 77 **Murray-Darling Basin Authority—Basin Plan—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 78 **Northern Territory Fisheries Joint Authority—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 79 **Queensland Fisheries Joint Authority—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 80 **Regional Forest Agreements—Joint Australian and Western Australian Government response to the review of the implementation of the Regional Forest Agreement for the South-West Forest Region of Western Australia for the third five-year period 2009-2014**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 81 **Regional Telecommunications Independent Review Committee—Regional Telecommunications Review 2018—Getting it right out there—Government response**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 82 **Register of Foreign Ownership of Water or Agricultural Land Act 2015—Register of Foreign Ownership of Water Entitlements—Report of registrations as at 30 June 2018**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 83 **Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (AgriFutures Australia)—Report for 2017-18—Replacement page**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 84 **Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Quarterly reports for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018—Subsection 12G(1)**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 85 **Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Quarterly reports for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018—Subsection 54(1)**
Consideration (2 April 2019).

- 86 **Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997—Quarterly report on the maximum movement limit for Sydney Airport for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 87 **Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979—Commonwealth Ombudsman's inspection of the Australian Federal Police—Compliance with journalist information warrant provisions**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 88 **Treaty—Bilateral—Free Trade Agreement between Australia and Hong Kong, China and associated side letters; and Investment Agreement Between The Government of Australia and The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of The People's Republic of China (Sydney, 26 March 2019)—Text, together with national interest analysis**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 89 **Treaty—Bilateral—Indonesia-Australia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement and associated side letters (Jakarta, 4 March 2019)—Text, together with national interest analysis**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 90 **Western Australian Fisheries Joint Authority—Report for 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 91 **Workplace Gender Equality Agency—Progress report 2017-18**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 92 **Crocodile management—Resolution of 12 February 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Northern Territory Minister for Environment and Natural Resources (Ms Lawler)**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 93 **Crocodile management—Resolution of 12 February 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Western Australian Minister for Environment (Mr Dawson)**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 94 **Shark mitigation methods—Resolution of 3 December 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Queensland Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries (Mr Furner)**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 95 **Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies—Letters of advice pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008—Budget estimates 2018-19 (Supplementary)—Industry, Science and Technology portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 96 **Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies—Letters of advice pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008—Budget estimates 2019-20—Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio; Attorney-General's portfolio; Communications and the Arts portfolio; Department of Human Services; Department of Veterans' Affairs; Education and Training portfolio (Skills and Vocational Education); Finance portfolio; Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio; Home Affairs portfolio; Industry, Science and Technology portfolio; Industry, Science and Technology portfolio; Industry, Innovation and Science portfolio (Resources and Northern Australia); Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities portfolio; Jobs and Small Business portfolio; Office of the National Data Commissioner; Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio; Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio (Indigenous Affairs Group); Social Services portfolio; Treasury portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 97 **Departmental and agency grants—Letters of advice pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008—Additional estimates 2018-19—Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio; Communications and the Arts portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 98 **Departmental and agency grants—Letters of advice pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008—Budget estimates 2019-20—Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio; Cancer Australia; Communications and the Arts portfolio; Department of Health; Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities; Department of Jobs and Small Business; Department of Veterans' Affairs; Finance portfolio; Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio; Home Affairs portfolio; Industry, Science and Technology portfolio; National Mental Health Commission [2]; Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio; Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio (Indigenous Affairs Group); Social Services portfolio; Treasury portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).

- 99 **Department of the Environment and Energy—Quarterly update of Australia’s national greenhouse gas inventory: September 2018**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 100 **Entity contracts for 2018—Letters of advice pursuant to the order of the Senate of 20 June 2001, as amended—Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio; Attorney-General’s portfolio; Communications and the Arts portfolio; Defence portfolio; Department of Veterans’ Affairs; Education and Training portfolio; Education and Training portfolio (Skills and Vocational Education); Environment and Energy portfolio; Finance portfolio; Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio; Health portfolio; Home Affairs portfolio; Industry, Innovation and Science portfolio; Industry, Innovation and Science portfolio (Resources and Northern Australia); Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities portfolio; Jobs and Small Business portfolio; Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio; Social Services portfolio; Treasury portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 101 **Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice—Statements pursuant to the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014—Additional estimates 2018-19—Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio; Austrade; Australian Public Service Commission; Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade; Export Finance and Insurance Corporation.; Social Services portfolio; Tourism Australia**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 102 **Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice—Statements pursuant to the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014—Budget estimates 2018-19 (Supplementary)—Australian Signals Directorate; Defence Housing Australia; Department of Defence; Finance portfolio; Industry, Science and Technology portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 103 **Former ministers—Meetings—Budget estimates 2019-20—Statement pursuant to the order of the Senate of 23 November 2016—Defence portfolio; Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 104 **Indexed lists of departmental and agency files—Statement relating to the order of the Senate of 30 May 1996, as amended—Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio; Australian Public Service Commission; Australian Taxation Office; Communications and the Arts portfolio; Department of Education and Training; Department of Jobs and Small Business; Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet; Environment and Energy portfolio; Fair Work Commission; Fair Work Ombudsman; Finance portfolio; Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities portfolio; Safe Work Australia; Social Services portfolio; Treasury portfolio**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- 105 **Report on outstanding orders for documents as at 22 February 2019**
Consideration (2 April 2019).
- *106 **Healthcare Identifiers Act 2010—Healthcare Identifiers Act and Service Review—Final report**
Consideration (3 April 2019).
- *107 **Low Aromatic Fuel Act 2013—Review of the operation of the Act**
Consideration (3 April 2019).

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Private senators' bills

Order number	Bill title	Introduced / restored by	Date introduced / restored
1	Criminal Code Amendment (Animal Protection) Bill 2015	Senator Back	Restored on 31 August 2016
2	Fair Work Amendment (Penalty Rates Exemption for Small Businesses) Bill 2015	Senators Leyonhjelm and Day	Restored on 31 August 2016
3	Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015	Senator Leyonhjelm	31 August 2016
4	Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2016	Senators Bernardi, Day, Macdonald, Abetz, Duniam, O'Sullivan, Back, Fawcett, Paterson and Burston, the Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson) and Senators Reynolds, Bushby, Hinch, Roberts, Leyonhjelm, Williams, Smith and McKenzie	31 August 2016
5	Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016	Senator Cameron	Restored on 31 August 2016
6	Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2015	Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, Senator Wong	Restored on 31 August 2016
7	Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donations Reform) Bill 2014	Senator Rhiannon	Restored on 31 August 2016
8	Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016	Senator Rhiannon	Restored on 31 August 2016
9	Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Reducing Barriers for Minor Parties) Bill 2014	Senator Rhiannon	Restored on 31 August 2016
10	Defence Legislation Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2015 and amendment moved by Senator Roberts	Senator Ludlam	31 August 2016
11	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Prohibition of Live Imports of Primates for Research) Bill 2015	Senator Rhiannon	Restored on 31 August 2016
12	Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015	Senator Waters	Restored on 31 August 2016

13	Landholders' Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015	Senator Waters	Restored on 31 August 2016
14	Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2013	Senator Hanson-Young	Restored on 31 August 2016
15	Foreign Acquisitions Amendment (Agricultural Land) Bill 2010 [2013]	Senators Xenophon and Milne	Restored on 31 August 2016
16	Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015	Senator Xenophon	Restored on 31 August 2016
17	Veterans' Entitlements Amendment (Expanded Gold Card Access) Bill 2015	Senator Lambie	Restored on 1 September 2016
18	Restoring Territory Rights (Dying with Dignity) Bill 2016	Leader of the Australian Greens, Senator Di Natale	Restored on 1 September 2016
19	Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015	Senator McKenzie	Restored on 13 September 2016
20	Freedom to Marry Bill 2016	Senator Leyonhjelm	13 September 2016
21	Australian Centre for Social Cohesion Bill 2015	Senator Milne	Restored on 15 September 2016
22	Automotive Transformation Scheme Amendment (Securing the Automotive Component Industry) Bill 2015	Senators Rice and Simms	Restored on 15 September 2016
23	Charter of Budget Honesty Amendment (Intergenerational Report) Bill 2015	Senator Milne	Restored on 15 September 2016
24	Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Country of Origin Food Labelling) Bill 2015	Senators Milne and Xenophon	Restored on 15 September 2016
25	End Cruel Cosmetics Bill 2014	Senator Rhiannon	Restored on 15 September 2016
26	Guardian for Unaccompanied Children Bill 2014	Senator Hanson-Young	Restored on 15 September 2016
27	Independent National Security Legislation Monitor (Improved Oversight and Resourcing) Bill 2014	Senator Wright	Restored on 15 September 2016
28	Migration Amendment (Free the Children) Bill 2016	Senator Hanson-Young	Restored on 15 September 2016
29	Mining Subsidies Legislation Amendment (Raising Revenue) Bill 2014	Senator Milne	Restored on 15 September 2016
30	Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014	Senator Milne	Restored on 15 September 2016
31	National Integrity Commission Bill 2013	Senator Rhiannon	15 September 2016
32	Private Health Insurance Amendment (GP Services) Bill 2014	Leader of the Australian Greens, Senator Di Natale	Restored on 15 September 2016
33	Recognition of Foreign Marriages Bill 2014	Senator Hanson-Young	Restored on 15 September 2016

34	Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016	Senator Hanson-Young	15 September 2016
35	Racial Discrimination Law Amendment (Free Speech) Bill 2016	Senators Leyonhjelm and Burston, the Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson), the Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch) and Senators Roberts and Day	15 September 2016
36	Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2016	Senators Kakoschke-Moore, Xenophon and Griff and the Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)	12 October 2016
37	Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donation Reform and Transparency) Bill 2016	Senator Farrell	28 November 2016
38	Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (Preliminary Assessment Process) Bill 2017	Senator Burston	7 February 2017
39	Criminal Code Amendment (Prohibition of Full Face Coverings in Public Places) Bill 2017	Senator Lambie	8 February 2017
40	Parliamentary Expenses Amendment (Transparency and Accountability) Bill 2015	Senator Xenophon	Restored on 8 February 2017
41	Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017	Senator Xenophon	13 February 2017
42	Competition and Consumer Legislation Amendment (Small Business Access to Justice) Bill 2017 [bill passed by the Senate on 10 August 2017]	Senator Gallagher	16 February 2017
43	Communications Legislation Amendment (Executive Remuneration) Bill 2017	Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation, Senator Hanson	21 March 2017
44	Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Take-Home Pay) Bill 2017 [bill passed by the Senate on 30 March 2017]	Senators Cameron, Di Natale and Lambie	21 March 2017
45	Banking and Financial Services Commission of Inquiry Bill 2017 [bill passed by the Senate on 15 June 2017]	Senators Whish-Wilson, Xenophon, Lambie, Hanson, Hinch and Roberts	22 March 2017
46	Renew Australia Bill 2017	Leader of the Australian Greens, Senator Di Natale	28 March 2017
47	Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017	Senator Rhiannon	29 March 2017
48	Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017	Senator Waters	13 June 2017
49	Productivity Commission Amendment (Addressing Inequality) Bill 2017 [bill passed by the Senate on 12 November 2018]	Senator McAllister	14 June 2017

50	Corporations Amendment (Modernisation of Members Registration) Bill 2017	Senator Xenophon	15 June 2017
51	Vaporised Nicotine Products Bill 2017	Senators Leyonhjelm and Roberts	19 June 2017
52	Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2017	Senator Rhiannon	21 June 2017
53	Competition and Consumer Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Palm Oil) Bill 2017	Senator Xenophon	21 June 2017
54	Voice for Animals (Independent Office of Animal Welfare) Bill 2015	Senator Rhiannon	Restored on 21 June 2017
55	Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Regional Australia) Bill 2017	Senator Burston	9 August 2017
56	Social Security Amendment (Caring for People on Newstart) Bill 2017 [bill negatived by the Senate on 14 August 2017]	Senator Rhiannon	9 August 2017
57	Taxation Administration Amendment (Corporate Tax Entity Information) Bill 2017	Senator Gallagher	14 August 2017
58	Defence Amendment (Fair Pay for Members of the ADF) Bill 2017	Senator Lambie	16 August 2017
59	High Speed Rail Planning Authority Bill 2017	Senator Farrell	4 September 2017
60	A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Amendment (Make Electricity GST Free) Bill 2017 [bill negatived by the Senate on 7 September 2017] [bill restored to the Notice Paper — second reading]	Senator Leyonhjelm	5 September 2017 23 August 2018 [restored]
61	Aged Care Amendment (Ratio of Skilled Staff to Care Recipients) Bill 2017	Senator Hinch	6 September 2017
62	Regional Forest Agreements Legislation (Repeal) Bill 2017	Senator Rice	7 September 2017
63	Customs Amendment (Safer Cladding) Bill 2017	Senator Xenophon	11 September 2017
64	Parliamentary Business Resources Amendment (Voluntary Opt-out) Bill 2017	Senator Roberts	12 September 2017
65	Medicinal Cannabis Legislation Amendment (Securing Patient Access) Bill 2017 [bill passed by the Senate on 19 October 2017]	Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)	12 September 2017
66	Lands Acquisition Amendment (Public Purpose) Bill 2017 [bill negatived by the Senate on 14 September 2017]	Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)	13 September 2017
67	Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017	Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)	17 October 2017
68	Nuclear Fuel Cycle (Facilitation) Bill 2017	Senator Bernardi	14 November 2017
69	Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017	Senator Leyonhjelm	15 November 2017

70	Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Executive Remuneration) Bill 2017	Senator Whish-Wilson	15 November 2017
71	Marriage Amendment (Definition and Religious Freedoms) Bill 2017 [bill passed by the Senate on 29 November 2017; passed by the House of Representatives on 7 December 2017; given royal assent on 8 December 2017]	Senators Smith, Reynolds, Wong, Pratt, Di Natale, Rice, Kakoschke-Moore, Hinch and Hume	15 November 2017
72	Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment (Debt Ceiling) Bill 2018 [bill negated by the Senate on 18 August 2018]	Senator Bernardi	6 February 2018
73	Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Commitments for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2018	Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)	7 February 2018
74	Australian Human Rights Commission Repeal (Duplication Removal) Bill 2018	Senator Bernardi	15 February 2018
75	Air Services Amendment Bill 2018	Senator Rice	27 March 2018
76	Criminal Code and Other Legislation Amendment (Removing Commonwealth Restrictions on Cannabis) Bill 2018	Senator Leyonhjelm	9 May 2018
77	Defence Amendment (Sovereign Naval Shipbuilding) Bill 2018	Senator Patrick	9 May 2018
78	Treasury Laws Amendment (Axe the Tampon Tax) Bill 2018 [bill passed by the Senate on 18 June 2018]	Senators Rice, Griff, Leyonhjelm and Hinch	9 May 2018
79	Animal Export Legislation Amendment (Ending Long-haul Live Sheep Exports) Bill 2018 [bill passed by the Senate on 10 September 2018]	Senators Hinch, Rhiannon and Storer	18 June 2018
80	Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018	Senator Steele-John	18 June 2018
81	Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment (Restoring the Debt Ceiling) Bill 2018	Senator Hanson	25 June 2018
82	Export Control Amendment (Equine Live Export for Slaughter Prohibition) Bill 2018	Senators Rhiannon and Hinch	26 June 2018
83	Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Security) Bill 2018	Senator Leyonhjelm	27 June 2018
84	Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Insult and Offend) Bill 2018	Senator Leyonhjelm	27 June 2018
85	Freedom of Speech Legislation Amendment (Censorship) Bill 2018	Senator Leyonhjelm	27 June 2018
86	Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Reporting of Gas Reserves) Bill 2018	Senator Georgiou	14 August 2018
87	Intelligence Services Amendment (Enhanced Parliamentary Oversight of Intelligence Agencies) Bill 2018	Senator Patrick	14 August 2018

88	Plebiscite (Future Migration Level) Bill 2018	Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)	15 August 2018
89	Freedom of Information Legislation Amendment (Improving Access and Transparency) Bill 2018	Senator Patrick	22 August 2018
90	Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving the Energy Efficiency of Rental Properties) Bill 2018	Senator Storer	22 August 2018
91	Australian Multicultural Bill 2018	Senator Di Natale	23 August 2018
92	Social Services Legislation Amendment (Ending the Poverty Trap) Bill 2018	Senator Siewert	10 September 2018
93	Commonwealth Places and Services (Facial Recognition) Bill 2018	Senator Bernardi	11 September 2018
94	A Fair Go for Australians in Trade Bill 2018 [No. 2]	Senator Carr	15 October 2018
95	Discrimination Free Schools Bill 2018	Senator Di Natale	16 October 2018
96	Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Appointment of Directors) Bill 2018	Senator Storer	17 October 2018
	Plebiscite (Restricting Non-European Migration) Bill 2018 [bill negated at first reading on 18 October 2018]	Senator Anning	
97	Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australia Fund Bill 2018	Senator Burston	14 November 2018
98	Fair Work Amendment (Restoring Penalty Rates) Bill 2018 [No. 2]	Senator Cameron	14 November 2018
99	Australian Research Council Amendment (Ensuring Research Independence) Bill 2018	Senator Faruqi	15 November 2018
	Plebiscite (Allowing Australians to Decide Who Comes Here) Bill 2018 [bill negated at first reading on 26 November 2018]	Senator Anning	
100	Australian Cannabis Agency Bill 2018	Senator Di Natale	27 November 2018
101	Halal Certification Transitional Authority Bill 2018	Senator Bernardi	28 November 2018
102	National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2)	Senator Waters	29 November 2018
103	Lower Tax Bill 2018	Senator Leyonhjelm	29 November 2018
104	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Great Australian Bight) Bill 2018	Senator Storer	29 November 2018
105	Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removing Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018	Senator Wong	29 November 2018
106	Social Security Commission Bill 2018 [No. 2]	Senator Storer	3 December 2018

107	Sex Discrimination and Marriage Legislation Amendment (Protecting Supporters of Traditional Marriage) Bill 2018	Senator Anning	4 December 2018
108	Galilee Basin (Coal Prohibition) Bill 2018	Senator Waters	5 December 2018
109	Ministers of State (Checks for Security Purposes) Bill 2019	Senator Patrick	12 February 2019
110	Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2019	Senator Hanson	12 February 2019
111	Broadcasting Services Amendment (Audio Description) Bill 2019	Senator Steele-John	12 February 2019
112	Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019	Senator Hanson-Young	12 February 2019
113	Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Unsolicited Communications) Bill 2019	Senator Griff	13 February 2019
114	Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019	Senator Patrick	13 February 2019
115	Murray-Darling Basin Commission of Inquiry Bill 2019	Senator Hanson-Young	13 February 2019
116	Water Amendment (Purchase Limit Repeal) Bill 2019	Senator Pratt	13 February 2019
117	Human Services Amendment (Photographic Identification and Fraud Prevention) Bill 2019	Senator Hanson	13 February 2019
118	Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Voluntary Student Services and Amenities Fee) Bill 2019	Senator McGrath	14 February 2019
119	Environment Legislation Amendment (Protecting Dugongs and Turtles) Bill 2019	Senator Hinch	14 February 2019
120	Aged Care Amendment (Resident Welfare and Provider Disclosure) Bill 2019	Senator Griff	2 April 2019
121	Social Security Amendment (A Fair Go for Age Pensioners) Bill 2019	Senator Anning	2 April 2019
122	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Amendment (Assisted Reproductive Treatment Statistics) Bill 2019	Senator Griff	3 April 2019

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING AS AT PROROGATION OF THE

45TH PARLIAMENT AT 8.29 AM ON THURSDAY, 11 APRIL 2019

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Notices of motion

Notice given 10 October 2016

65 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) condemns the misogynistic, hateful comments made by the Republican candidate for President of the United States of America, Mr Donald Trump, about women and minorities, including the remarks revealed over the weekend that clearly describe sexual assault;
- (b) reflects on the divisive, destructive impact that hate speech from political candidates and members of elected office has on our community;
- (c) requests that every member of the Senate refrain from making racist, sexist comments, both in this chamber and outside it; and
- (d) calls on the Government to join the Senate in its condemnation of both Mr Donald Trump and hate speech in all its forms.

[Formality denied on 11 October 2016]

78 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that this week marks the Global Week of Action against the extrajudicial killings in the Philippines of people who use drugs;
- (b) unreservedly condemns the extrajudicial killings of more than 3,000 people who use drugs in the Philippines, and their encouragement by Philippines President Duterte; and
- (c) urgently calls for President Duterte to end the extrajudicial murder of people who use drugs and instead focus on internationally accepted, evidence-based interventions and policies that place the reduction of harm and the wellbeing of the community front and centre.

[Formality denied on 11 October 2016]

Notice given 21 November 2016

115 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the election of Mr Donald Trump as President of the United States of America has raised concerns within the Australian community, including amongst Australia's foreign and defence policy experts, about the influence of the alliance with the United States on Australian foreign and defence policy,

- (ii) since Australia signed the ANZUS Treaty in 1951, Australia is the only country to have joined the United States in every major military intervention, including Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War, Afghanistan and Iraq, and
 - (iii) Australia's security and prosperity is inextricably linked to its own region, and we must strengthen our ties with our Asian neighbours; and
- (b) urges the Australian Government to renegotiate the terms of the United States alliance and commit to an independent, non-aligned foreign policy.

[Formality denied on 22 November 2016]

Notice given 30 November 2016

158 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) 1 December is West Papuan National Flag Day, commemorating the day in 1961 when the New Guinea Council – West Papua's Parliament under Dutch colonial rule – raised the Morning Star flag for the first time, signalling the Netherlands' recognition of West Papua's statehood,
 - (ii) since Indonesia formally annexed West Papua in 1969, West Papuans have been waiting for the opportunity to determine their own future, having been denied the right to self-determination,
 - (iii) the human rights situation in West Papua continues to be deeply troubling, with 4 000 arrests of non-armed citizens in 2016 alone, and
 - (iv) Indonesian Defence Minister, Mr Ryamizard Ryacudu, recently stated that Indonesia had asked Australia to urge our Pacific Island neighbours to withdraw support for West Papuan membership of the Melanesian Spearhead Group; and
- (b) urges the Australian Government to:
- (i) encourage the Indonesian President, Mr Joko Widodo, to fulfil the commitments he has made in relation to West Papua since his election, including his commitment to releasing all political prisoners, and his promise to seek justice for the five young people shot dead on 8 December 2014 in the town of Enarotali while peacefully protesting,
 - (ii) call for the removal of untenable barriers to media access and academic research in West Papua, including lengthy waits for visas,
 - (iii) clarify that the recent improvement in bilateral relations between Australia and Indonesia is not predicated on Australian support for Indonesia's position on West Papua, including Australia's silence on human rights violations committed there, and
 - (iv) confirm that the Government has not agreed to encourage members of the Melanesian Spearhead Group, particularly current Chair Solomon Islands, to withdraw support for West Papuan membership of that Group.

[Formality denied on 1 December 2016]

167 Senators Moore and Watt

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges and congratulates the Honourable Justice Susan Mary Kiefel, AC on her appointment as the next Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia;
- (b) recognises the Honourable Justice Susan Mary Kiefel, AC was Queensland's first female Queen's Counsel;
- (c) notes this as a landmark moment for Australia's legal system and the nation as she will be the first woman appointed to the role, and according to the Law Council of Australia's 2014 report:
 - (i) 46 per cent of those practising law today are women,
 - (ii) 19 per cent of senior positions in law firms are held by women,
 - (iii) 19 per cent of the Australian Bar are women, and
 - (iv) just 6 per cent of Queen's Councils and senior counsel are women; and
- (d) acknowledges the exemplary work over the past eight years of Chief Justice French who leaves a legacy of important contributions to the law, notably in his commitment to Indigenous justice.

[Notice of motion not moved, at discovery of formal business, on 1 December 2016]

Notice given 7 February 2017

181 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) since his inauguration, President Trump has:
 - (A) tried to enact racist policies which seek to ban entire Muslim-majority nationalities from entering the United States (US),
 - (B) vocally criticised the US judicial system when it blocked this ban in line with US and international law,
 - (C) threatened to send the American military into Mexico,
 - (D) accused Japan, China and Germany of currency manipulation,
 - (E) suggested that the US might once again have the opportunity to steal Iraq's oil,
 - (F) said that torture "absolutely" works, and
 - (G) ordered the Department of Homeland Security to issue a weekly list of crimes (allegedly) committed by undocumented immigrants in sanctuary cities, amongst many other alarming actions,
 - (ii) the Trump Presidency is causing deep concern and unease in the Australian community,
 - (iii) President Trump's discriminatory ban further unfairly demonises Muslim people, when there is not a shred of evidence that immigrants from the countries covered by the ban have killed people on US soil in a terrorist attack,
 - (iv) our Government's deal to transfer our refugees to the US is causing untold human suffering and trauma, particularly in light of the Trump administration's delays and prevarications, and
 - (v) our alliance with the US is making our country less safe, not more safe; and
- (b) urges:
- (i) the Australian Government to stand up for Australian values and hold President Trump to account, as leaders of other nations have done, and
 - (ii) the Australian Government to re-negotiate the terms of the US alliance and commit to an independent, non-aligned foreign policy, in the interests of a safer Australia.

[Formality denied on 8 February 2017]

Notice given 20 March 2017

240 Senator Bernardi

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
- (i) the comments of the Secretary of the ACTU, Ms Sally McManus, saying that if a law is unjust then she believes that the law can be broken, and
 - (ii) the comments by the Leader of the Australian Greens, Senator Di Natale, supporting Ms McManus' comments;
- (b) notes that:
- (i) the Parliament passes laws,
 - (ii) all citizens are expected to abide by them, and
 - (iii) if laws need to be changed, that is Parliament's responsibility;
- (c) disagrees with the ACTU Secretary's comments; and
- (d) supports the rule of law.

[Formality denied on 21 March 2017]

242 Senator Abetz

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) affirms that our society operates on the rule of law;
- (b) calls on all Australians to respect and abide by the rule of law; and
- (c) condemns expressions of support for breaching the rule of law.

[Formality denied on 21 March 2017]

244

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) many aspects of modern life associated with a more inclusive, equal and respectful society have come about by people taking courageous, principled actions of civil disobedience, and
 - (ii) examples of such actions include hundreds of women arrested during the campaign to change the law so women could vote, thousands of Indians arrested at protests against British rule over India and the imposition of the salt tax, the action of Rosa Parks who refused to surrender her bus seat to a white passenger as the law then required, and the more than 1 000 protesters arrested in the campaign to save the Franklin River; and
- (b) recognises that peaceful civil disobedience remains a driving force for progressive change to reduce economic and social inequality in our society.

[Formality denied on 21 March 2017]

Notice given 22 March 2017

269 Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)

To move—

- (1) That a joint select committee, to be known as the Joint Select Committee on oversight of the implementation of redress related recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse be established following the tabling of the final report of the Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon:
 - (a) the Australian Government policy, program and legal response, including the establishment and operation of the Commonwealth Redress Scheme and ongoing support of survivors; and
 - (b) any matter in relation to the Royal Commission's recommendations referred to the committee by a resolution of either House of the Parliament.
- (2) That the committee present its final report on the final sitting day of November 2018.
- (3) That the committee consist of 8 members – 4 senators, and 4 members of the House of Representatives as follows:
 - (a) 2 members of the House of the Representatives to be nominated by the Government Whip or Whips;
 - (b) 2 members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Opposition Whip or Whips;
 - (c) 1 senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate;
 - (d) 1 senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate;
 - (e) 1 senator to be nominated by any minority party or independent senator; and
 - (f) the Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch).
- (4) That:
 - (a) participating members may be appointed to the committee on the nomination of the Government Whip in the House of Representatives, the Opposition Whip in the House of Representatives, the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or any minority party or independent senator or member of the House of Representatives; and
 - (b) participating members may participate in hearings of evidence and deliberations of the committee, and have all the rights of members of the committee, but may not vote on any questions before the committee.
- (5) That every nomination of a member of the committee be notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

- (6) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint select committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.
- (7) That the committee may proceed to the dispatch of business notwithstanding that all members have not been duly nominated and appointed and notwithstanding any vacancy.
- (8) That Senator Hinch be appointed as chair of the committee and the committee elect as deputy chair a member or senator nominated by the Opposition.
- (9) That the deputy chair shall act as chair of the committee at any time when the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chair and deputy chair are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to act as chair at that meeting.
- (10) That the committee have power to send for and examine persons and documents, to move from place to place, to sit in public or in private, notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament and have leave to report from time to time its proceedings and the evidence taken and such interim recommendations as it may deem fit.
- (11) That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and resources and be empowered to appoint persons with specialist knowledge for the purposes of the committee.
- (12) That the committee be empowered to print from day to day such papers and evidence as may be ordered by it, and a daily Hansard be published of such proceedings as take place in public.
- (13) That the committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any adjournment of the Senate and the House of Representatives.
- (14) That the provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.
- (15) That a message be sent to the House of Representatives seeking its concurrence in this resolution.

Notice of motion altered on 1 June and 13 June 2017 pursuant to standing order 77

[Formality denied on 14 June 2017]

Notice given 29 March 2017

301 Senator O'Neill

To move—That the Senate condemns the Turnbull Government's continuing mismanagement of the National Broadband Network (NBN), including cost blowouts, second-rate service delivery, contempt towards Australian consumers, a lack of accountability to taxpayers, and NBN Co's 'improper interference' with the Parliament.

[Notice of motion not moved, at discovery of formal business, on 9 May 2017]

Notice given 9 May 2017

319 Senator Rice

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes reports alleging that male citizens of the Republic of Chechnya, assumed to be gay or bisexual, are being rounded up, placed in 'concentration camps' and beaten and tortured on the basis of their actual or presumed sexuality; and
- (b) calls on the Government to:
 - (i) work with other nations on a United Nations (UN) resolution condemning the Chechen Government's actions, and the Russian Government's failure to stop them,
 - (ii) publicly back the UN's Free and Equal Campaign, a global public education campaign which raises awareness of homophobic and transphobic violence and discrimination, and promotes greater respect for the rights of LGBTI people globally,
 - (iii) be prepared to take gay and bisexual refugees from Chechnya,
 - (iv) update Smart Traveller references to Chechnya and Russia, and
 - (v) cut any trade and diplomatic links with Chechnya that Australia may have.

[Formality denied on 10 May 2017]

Notice given 10 May 2017

323

To move—That the Senate condemns the Turnbull Government's unfair Budget that delivers tax handouts for multinationals and millionaires while hurting every Australian family.

[Motion not called at discovery of formal business on 13 June 2017]

Notice given 20 June 2017

377 Senator Moore

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) there is currently no agreed-upon border in the Timor Sea between Australia and Timor-Leste,
 - (ii) a fair and permanent border is in both our nations' national interest,
 - (iii) on 21 February 2017, the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Ms Bishop) urged the claimants in the South China Sea to negotiate in accordance with international law or resort to arbitration through the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS),
 - (iv) after 14 years of Australia refusing negotiations, Timor-Leste has initiated proceedings in the United Nations for compulsory conciliation under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, seeking "the area of the Timor Sea subject to its exclusive sovereign rights under international law",
 - (v) there is nothing to stop Australia and Timor-Leste reaching agreement before the report of the commissioners under the conciliation process, due in September 2017,
 - (vi) many Australians have called for a permanent maritime boundary in the Timor Sea, settled in accordance with current international law and
 - (vii) on 1 June 2017, in Singapore, Australia's Prime Minister (Mr Turnbull), stated Australia's vision for the region where the "rights of small states are untrammelled; where our shared natural bounty, our land, water and air is cherished and protected, and disagreements are resolved by dialogue in accordance with agreed rules and established institutions"; and
- (b) urges the Australian Government to finalise in good faith and as soon as possible, a fair and permanent maritime boundary between Australia and Timor-Leste.

[Formality denied on 21 June 2017]

Notice given 21 June 2017

380

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the comments by the Governor of the Reserve Bank, Dr Philip Lowe, in relation to the labour market, that 'The crisis really is in real wage growth'; and
- (b) condemns the Abbott-Turnbull Government's refusal to protect up to 700 000 workers, who will see a pay cut as a result of cuts to Sunday penalty rates from 1 July 2017.

[not moved at discovery on 22 June 2017 as it was intended to be debated at general business but was not reached]

386 Senators Macdonald and O'Sullivan

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the calm and sensitive leadership demonstrated by Senator Farrell during question time on 14 and 15 June 2017, during the absence of the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate; and
- (b) congratulates Senator Farrell on his statesmanlike and mature approach in that role.

[Formality denied on 22 June 2017]

Notice given 9 August 2017

412 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) this week marks the 72nd anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which killed more than 200 000 people in 1945,
 - (ii) the current global stockpile of nuclear weapons is around 15 000 weapons, held by nine countries,
 - (iii) on 7 July 2017, 122 nations voted at the United Nations to adopt a Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, which prohibits nations from developing, testing, producing, manufacturing, transferring, possessing, stockpiling, using or threatening to use nuclear weapons, or allowing nuclear weapons to be stationed on their territory,
 - (iv) the adoption of the Treaty puts nuclear weapons on the same footing as other weapons of mass destruction, and represents a significant step forward in global efforts to eradicate nuclear weapons, and
 - (v) despite clear global support and the obvious need to reinvigorate international nuclear disarmament architecture, the Australian Government did not participate in Treaty negotiations; and
- (b) calls on the Government to sign the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons when it opens for signature on 20 September 2017.

[Formality denied on 12 September 2017]

Notice given 6 September 2017

468 Senator McKim

That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the deeply concerning reports of the continued persecution of the Rohingya people in Rakhine State in Myanmar, including the slaughter of an unknown number of people since violence erupted again in August, and the displacement of more than 120,000 Rohingya,
 - (ii) that many Rohingya people are dying as they flee Myanmar to Bangladesh, including the tragic recent case of 26 refugees, mainly women and children, who drowned while attempting to escape the violence,
 - (iii) that the latest violence continues a pattern of coordinated and systematic attacks on Rohingya people, documented by Human Rights Watch earlier this year, of arbitrary arrests, extrajudicial killings, and sexual violence, including the rape of women and girls,
 - (iv) that in March, the United Nations Human Rights Council agreed to send an international fact-finding mission to investigate alleged atrocities 'with a view to ensuring full accountability for perpetrators and justice for victims', and Australia co-sponsored this resolution,
 - (v) that the Australian Senate unanimously supported the Australian Government's consideration of the fact-finding mission in a motion of 16 February 2017, and
 - (vi) the concerning news that the Myanmar Government is refusing to grant visas to members of the fact-finding mission; and
- (b) urges the Australian Government to:
 - (i) call on the Myanmar Government and armed groups to stop attacking civilians,
 - (ii) call on the Myanmar Government to urgently grant access to independent monitors to investigate allegations of serious human rights abuses,
 - (iii) call on the Myanmar Government to allow humanitarian agencies unfettered access to Rakhine State, and
 - (iv) urgently increase the number of places available to Rohingya refugees.

[Formality denied on 7 September 2017]

475 Senators Singh and Watt

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with grave concern that, since 25 August 2017, conflict between Rohingya Muslims and armed forces in Myanmar's Rakhine State has:
 - (i) caused the death of close to 400 people, almost all of them minorities in Rakhine State, many of whose bodies are reported to have since been burned,
 - (ii) forced around 87 000 minorities in Rakhine State, to flee to Bangladesh, with at least another 20 000 detained at the border,
 - (iii) led to the total destruction by Myanmar's armed forces of 17 former minorities in Rakhine State villages, and
 - (iv) prevented United Nations aid agencies from delivering crucial supplies of food, water and medicine to the region;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) Myanmar's Rakhine State is home to more than 1.1 million Rohingya, most of whom live in tented camps and rely on United Nations aid for survival,
 - (ii) the minority populations in Rakhine State of Myanmar have for some time been subjected to mass rapes, killings, brutal beating, torching of homes and forced disappearance, as detailed by United Nations investigators in 2016, and
 - (iii) more than 500 000 people from the minorities in Rakhine State are already living in Bangladesh, which itself is home to widespread poverty and inequality;
- (c) echoes:
 - (i) the Minister for Foreign Affairs' (Ms Bishop) expressions of deep concern regarding the ongoing tensions between minorities in Rakhine State and Myanmar's security forces, and
 - (ii) the United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres' condemnation of violence in Rakhine State, and his calls for all communities in the region to choose a path of peace; and
- (d) calls upon the Government of Myanmar to recommit to the pursuit of peace and national reconciliation.

[Formality denied on 7 September 2017]

Notice given 13 September 2017

501

To move—That the Senate notes the importance of public broadcasting and the crucial role played by the ABC and SBS in providing a high quality independent news source to all Australians.

[not moved at discovery on 14 September 2017 as it was intended to be debated at general business but was not reached]

Notice given 18 October 2017

542 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the West Papuan People's Petition was presented to the United Nations Decolonisation Committee by Mr Benny Wenda, Spokesperson for the United Liberation Movement for West Papua, on 26 September 2017,
 - (ii) the petition calls for a free vote on West Papuan independence, which the West Papuan people have been denied since Indonesian annexation in 1969, and for the appointment of a United Nations representative to investigate human rights violations by Indonesian authorities,
 - (iii) the petition was signed by 1.8 million West Papuans, representing more than 70 per cent of the West Papuan population, despite the Indonesian Government threatening those who signed it with arrest, and

- (iv) the petition circulated against a backdrop of reports of abuses by security forces, including extrajudicial killings, torture, arbitrary detention, excessive use of force and mistreatment of peaceful protesters;
- (b) congratulates those who risked their safety and freedom by organising and signing the petition; and
- (c) calls on the Australian Government to support West Papuans' claims for self-determination, and their demands for a United Nations investigation of human rights abuses.

[Formality denied on 19 October 2017]

Notice given 13 November 2017

548 Senator Bernardi

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the Trump administration in the United States of America has declared 7 November to be the National Day for Victims of Communism;
- (b) further notes the Senate motion passed on 18 October 2017 rejecting any assertion that the teachings of Lenin or Marx should be celebrated in a liberal democracy;
- (c) recalls the number of refugees who came to Australia fleeing communist regimes; and
- (d) calls upon the Government to organise a similar annual commemoration remembering the victims of communism from 7 November 2018 onwards.

[Formality denied on 14 November 2017]

Notice given 29 November 2017

625 Senator Cameron

To move—That—

- (1) On Thursday, 30 November 2017, the following bills shall have precedence over all government and general business in the following order:
 - (a) any bill relating to the establishment of a Commission of Inquiry into banking, insurance, superannuation, financial and related services; and
 - (b) Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017.
- (2) Until proceedings on the bills listed in paragraph (1) are concluded, the hours of meeting and routine of business for Thursday, 30 November 2017, shall be varied as follows:
 - (a) the hours of meeting shall be 9.30 am to 8.40 pm;
 - (b) the routine of business from not later than 4.30 pm shall be consideration of the bills listed in paragraph (1) only;
 - (c) divisions may take place after 4.30 pm; and
 - (d) the Senate shall adjourn without debate at 8.40 pm.
- (3) In the week commencing Monday, 4 December 2017, the bills listed in paragraph (1) shall have precedence over all government and general business and, until proceedings on the bills are concluded, the hours of meeting and routine of business shall be varied as follows:
 - (a) proposals under standing order 75 not be proceeded with;
 - (b) on Tuesday, 5 December 2017:
 - (i) the hours of meeting shall be 12.30 pm to 11 pm,
 - (ii) the routine of business from not later than 7.20 pm shall be consideration of the bills listed in paragraph (1) only, and
 - (iii) the Senate shall adjourn without debate at 11 pm; and

- (c) on Thursday, 7 December 2017:
 - (i) the hours of meeting shall be 9.30 am to adjournment,
 - (ii) the routine of business from not later than 4.30 pm shall be consideration of the bills only,
 - (iii) divisions may take place after 4.30 pm, and
 - (iv) the Senate shall adjourn without debate after proceedings on the bills are concluded.

Notice of motion altered on 29 November 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.

[Not called on at discovery on 4 December 2017]

Notice given 30 November 2017

629 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) 1 December is West Papuan National Flag Day, commemorating the day in 1961 when the New Guinea Council – West Papua’s Parliament under Dutch colonial rule – raised the Morning Star flag for the first time, signalling the Netherlands’ recognition of West Papua’s statehood, and
 - (ii) since Indonesia formally annexed West Papua in 1969, West Papuans have been waiting for the opportunity to determine their own future, having been denied the right to self-determination;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) on 26 September 2017, the West Papuan People’s Petition was presented to the United Nations Decolonisation Committee by Mr Benny Wenda, International Spokesman for United Liberation Movement for West Papua,
 - (ii) the petition called for a free vote on West Papuan independence and the appointment of a United Nations representative to investigate human rights violations by Indonesian authorities,
 - (iii) the petition was signed by 1.8 million West Papuans, representing more than 70 per cent of the West Papuan population, despite the Indonesian Government threatening those who signed it with arrest, and
 - (iv) the petition circulated against a backdrop of reports of abuses by security forces, including extrajudicial killings, torture, arbitrary detention, excessive use of force and mistreatment of peaceful protesters; and
- (c) calls on the Australian Government to support West Papuans’ claims for self-determination, and their demands for a United Nations investigation of human rights abuses.

[Formality denied on 4 December 2017]

Notice given 8 February 2018

699 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with grave concern that:
 - (i) Cambodia’s Prime Minister Hun Sen has been systematically dismantling independent voices and political opposition in Cambodia,
 - (ii) a crackdown on Cambodia’s main opposition, the Cambodia National Rescue Party (CNRP), has seen its leader, Kem Sokha, arrested on treason charges following a speech he gave in Melbourne, and exiled former leader, Sam Rainsy, found guilty of defamation,
 - (iii) fewer than 40 per cent of CNRP members of Parliament remain in Cambodia after they were forced to flee the threat of arrest on treason charges, and
 - (iv) Cambodia has imprisoned Australian journalist and filmmaker Mr James Ricketson on charges of espionage;
- (b) further notes that Australia was a party to the 1991 Paris Peace Accords, aimed at ending the conflict in Cambodia and which set out a vision for a democratic political system with respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms; and

- (c) calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (i) urge Prime Minister Hun Sen to reinstate the banned CNRP and reinstate MPs to their rightful seats,
 - (ii) continue to raise Australia's concerns about the detention of Mr Ricketson,
 - (iii) revoke Prime Minister Hun Sen's invitation to the ASEAN-Australia Special Summit, to be held in Sydney in March 2018, and
 - (iv) implement targeted sanctions against members of Hun Sen's Government involved in undermining Cambodia's democracy.

[Formality denied on 12 February 2018]

Notice given 13 February 2018

719 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with deep concern:
 - (i) that another front has opened up in the war in Syria, following an incursion by Turkey in Syria's Kurdish north-west region in late January,
 - (ii) reports, from the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), that between 15 000 and 30 000 civilians have been internally displaced in Afrin because of Turkey's operation, and
 - (iii) reports, from the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, that Turkish strikes had caused damage to a water plant supplying drinking water to hundreds of thousands in the Afrin region;
- (b) notes that the Kurdish people were instrumental in helping to defeat ISIS, and that Kurdish people across the region played a critical role in helping the Yazidi people escape genocide;
- (c) condemns Turkey's incursion into Syria and its attacks on Afrin; and
- (d) calls on the Australian Government to use all diplomatic means to bring an end to Turkish military incursions.

[Formality denied on 14 February 2018]

Notice given 14 February 2018

727 Senator Whish-Wilson

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with deep concern that:
 - (i) the war in Syria is almost to its eighth year, with no end in sight, and
 - (ii) the world has witnessed untold horror throughout the war, including indiscriminate killing, the deliberate targeting of civilians and medical facilities, the deaths of hundreds of thousands of people, and millions being displaced;
- (b) further notes that the 2003 Iraq War was a major catalyst of the war in Syria, including contributing to the rise of ISIS;
- (c) calls on all parties to the conflict in Syria to respect the Geneva Conventions and commit to a peaceful resolution to the crisis; and
- (d) calls on the Australian Government to launch an independent inquiry into the Iraq War.

[Formality denied on 15 February 2018]

Notice given 22 March 2018

764 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) Australia hosted the ASEAN-Australia Special Summit in Sydney on 18 March 2018, and
 - (ii) the joint statement of the Summit, the “Sydney Declaration”, affirms that ASEAN members and Australia are “committed to the promotion of common values such as peace, harmony, intercultural understanding, the rule of law, good governance, respect, trust, tolerance, inclusiveness, moderation, social responsibility and diversity”, and renews the resolve to “promote and protect the human rights of our peoples”;
- (b) expresses disappointment that the Australian Government refused to condemn egregious human rights abuses committed by, or under the watch of, ASEAN leaders, in particular State Counsellor of Myanmar, Aung San Suu Kyi and Cambodian Prime Minister, Hun Sen;
- (c) notes with deep concern that:
 - (i) Cambodia’s Prime Minister, Hun Sen, has been systematically dismantling independent voices and political opposition in Cambodia, arresting and imprisoning opposition members, and threatening members of Australia’s Cambodian community with physical violence, in clear violation of the 1991 Paris Peace Accords, and
 - (ii) the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights has stated that his office strongly suspects that “acts of genocide” may have taken place against the Rohingya people in Myanmar last year, and a recent report from Amnesty International documents the continued destruction of villages and militarisation of Rakhine state; and
- (d) calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (i) publicly express its concern at ongoing human rights abuses in Cambodia and Myanmar, including through its seat on the UN Human Rights Council,
 - (ii) implement targeted sanctions against members of Hun Sen’s Government who have been involved in undermining Cambodia’s democracy, and members of Myanmar’s military and Government involved in human rights abuses against the Rohingya people, and
 - (iii) suspend military cooperation with Myanmar and Cambodia.

[Formality denied on 26 March 2018]

Notice given 26 March 2018

770 Senator Hanson-Young

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Uyghur leader, Ms Rebiya Kadeer, is in Australia to meet with government representatives, community groups and individuals to discuss a number of humanitarian concerns; and
- (b) welcomes Ms Kadeer and her delegation to Australia.

[Formality denied on 27 March 2018]

Notice given 9 May 2018

813 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges that on 15 May, many in Israel will be celebrating the creation of the State of Israel, while at the same time Palestinians commemorate the Nakba, where in 1948 hundreds of thousands of Palestinians were displaced and lost their homes, and many were killed;
- (b) notes that even as this year marks the 70th anniversary of the State of Israel, it also marks the 70th anniversary of the Nakba, and millions of Palestinians continue to suffer, living under occupation or as refugees;
- (c) expresses deep concern that at least 43 unarmed and peaceful Palestinian protesters have reportedly been killed by Israeli forces since the end of March on the border of Gaza, including four minors and two journalists;

- (d) welcomes the fact that six Israeli human rights groups are challenging the Israeli military's actions in court;
- (e) expresses further deep concern at Palestinian President Abbas' recent anti-Semitic comments; and
- (f) calls on the Federal Government and the Opposition to:
 - (i) recognise the State of Palestine alongside a safe and secure State of Israel,
 - (ii) condemn the Israeli military's excessive use of force against Palestinians exercising their legitimate and important right to engage in non-violent protest, and
 - (iii) condemn anti-Semitism in all its forms.

[Formality denied on 10 May 2018]

Notice given 18 June 2018

841 Senator Whish-Wilson

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) 80 per cent of people in Yemen are dependent on humanitarian assistance or protection,
 - (ii) 30 per cent of people in Yemen are severely food insecure and at risk of starvation,
 - (iii) 70 per cent of imports into Yemen flow through the Port of Hodeidah,
 - (iv) the United Nations Humanitarian Coordinator, Mr Mark Lowcock, has warned that if the operation of the Port of Hodeidah was to be interrupted the humanitarian consequences would be catastrophic, and
 - (v) the Saudi-led coalition's military offensive on the City of Hodeidah is putting at risk the operation of the port; and
- (b) calls upon the Australian Government to support:
 - (i) United Nations' efforts to find a non-military solution to the conflict in Yemen, and
 - (ii) efforts by the United Nations to ensure the Port of Hodeidah remains operational, including, if necessary, a temporary United Nations takeover of the administration of the port.

[Formality denied on 19 June 2018]

Notice given 19 June 2018

860 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the unethical use of money to fund and promote terrorism by the Palestinian Authority;
- (b) acknowledges that the sponsorship, advocacy and enabling of terrorism and acts of violence against innocent civilians is not consistent with Australian values;
- (c) notes the lack of transparency in the use of funds received by the Palestinian Authority from Australia, both directly and through contributions to the United Nations;
- (d) recognises that, to achieve lasting peace, the so-called "Palestinian Authority Martyrs' Fund" must be suspended; and
- (e) calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (i) ban foreign aid to the Palestinian territories, and
 - (ii) demand proper investigation into the content and delivery of education services provided by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency.

[Formality denied on 25 June 2018]

Notice given 20 June 2018

878 Senator McKim

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) President Trump's and the United States Government's controversial policy of separating families who seek asylum in the United States has led to at least 2700 children being separated from their parents between October 2017 and 31 May 2018 according to US media reports,
 - (ii) of those 2700 children, 1995 were separated between April and May 2018 under the zero tolerance policy, and
 - (iii) President Trump has the power to unilaterally reverse the current 'zero tolerance policy', an option his office said he would not be taking; and
- condemns President Trump's policy of forcibly separating children from their families.

[Formality denied on 25 June 2018]

Notice given 21 June 2018

883 Senator McKim

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 17 June 2018, *The Washington Post* published an opinion piece written by Mrs Laura Bush, former First Lady of the United States and wife to former Republican President of the United States, George W. Bush,
 - (ii) Mrs Bush's opinion piece was highly critical of the Trump Administration's policy of separating immigrant families at the Mexico-United States border,
 - (iii) in her opinion piece, Mrs Bush wrote:
 - (A) this zero-tolerance policy [of children being separated from their parents, and children being kept in immigration detention] is cruel – it is immoral – and it breaks my heart,
 - (B) these images [of children warehoused in converted box stores] are eerily reminiscent of the internment camps for U.S. citizens and non-citizens of Japanese descent during World War II, now considered to have been one of the most shameful episodes in U.S. history, and
 - (C) we [in the United States] pride ourselves on believing that people should be seen for the content of their character, not the colour of their skin – we pride ourselves on acceptance – if we are truly that country, then it is our obligation to reunite these detained children with their parents – and to stop separating parents and children in the first place; and
- (b) agrees with Mrs Laura Bush that governments should not use border protection policies to separate children from their parents or keep children in immigration detention.

[Formality denied on 25 June 2018]

891

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) Ms Khalida Jarrar is an elected member of Palestinian Legislative Council,
 - (ii) on 2 July 2017, Ms Jarrar was arrested in a pre-dawn raid on her home by the Israeli military and held under administrative detention orders,
 - (iii) Ms Jarrar has been under renewed administrative detention orders since July 2017 that was recently extended by a further four months,
 - (iv) the intelligence under which Ms Jarrar is being held has not been disclosed by the Israeli military; and
- (b) calls on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to urge the Government of Israel to:
 - (i) disclose the details of the intelligence regarding Ms Jarrar's detention, and
 - (ii) provide avenues for Ms Jarrar to defend herself in a fair and open trial.

[Formality denied on 26 June 2018]

Notice given 26 June 2018

909 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the funding and promotion of terrorism by the Palestinian Authority;
- (b) acknowledges that the sponsorship, advocacy and enabling of terrorism and acts of violence against innocent civilians is not consistent with Australian values;
- (c) notes the lack of transparency in the use of funds received by the Palestinian Authority from Australia, both directly and through contributions to the United Nations;
- (d) welcomes the letter from the Foreign Minister (Ms Bishop) of 29 May 2018, to the Palestinian Authority, raising concerns over and seeking assurances that Australian funding does not in any way enable or encourage acts of violence against Israel;
- (e) recognises that, to achieve lasting peace, the so-called “Palestinian Authority Martyrs’ Fund” must cease; and
- (f) calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (i) maintain scrupulous oversight of Australian aid to the Palestinian Territories, and
 - (ii) demand proper investigation into the content and delivery of education services provided by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency.

Notice of motion altered on 26 June 2018 pursuant to standing order 77.

[Formality denied on 27 June 2018]

Notice given 27 June 2018

916

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) company profits have increased by 5.8 per cent over the year which is almost three times as much as wages,
 - (ii) penalty rates for 7,277 workers in the electorate of Braddon, and 11,850 workers in the electorate of Longman will decrease again on 1 July 2018, and
 - (iii) the Turnbull Government continues to hold a policy that would give multinational companies an \$80 billion tax cut; and
- (b) condemns the Turnbull Government for its failure to support low-paid workers and instead protect the interests of big business.

**[Not called on at discovery on 28 June 2018
as it was intended to be debated at general business, but was not reached]**

918 Senator O’Sullivan

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with concern:
 - (i) the current deteriorating economic and political situation in Venezuela, one of the richest countries in Latin America until it turned to socialism in 1999 and embraced anti-private-sector policies, spent recklessly and racked up huge amounts of debt,
 - (ii) that the GDP of Venezuela has halved over recent years and is predicted to fall a further 15 per cent, unemployment is currently at 30 per cent, hyperinflation is running at 13,000 per cent and the currency has been devalued by 99.9 per cent,
 - (iii) that the International Monetary Fund has stated that Venezuela is in economic crisis and censured Venezuela for failing to take remedial measures,
 - (iv) that *Human Rights Watch* has stated that: no independent government institutions remain to act as a check on executive power and that the Venezuelan government under Maduro and previously under Chávez has stacked the courts with judges who make no pretence of independence; that the government has repressed dissent through often-violent crackdowns on street protests, jailing opponents, and prosecuting civilians in military courts and has also stripped power from the opposition-led legislature; due to severe shortages of medicines, medical supplies and food, many Venezuelans cannot adequately feed their families or access the most basic healthcare; that in response to the human rights and humanitarian crisis, hundreds of thousands of Venezuelans are fleeing the country; and

that other persistent concerns include poor prison conditions, impunity for human rights violations, and harassment by government officials of human rights defenders and independent media outlets,

- (v) that Amnesty International has reported that Venezuela remained in a state of emergency, repeatedly extended since January 2016; a National Constituent Assembly was elected without the participation of the opposition; the Attorney General was dismissed under irregular circumstances; security forces continued to use excessive and undue force to disperse protests; hundreds of people were arbitrarily detained; that there were many reports of torture and other ill-treatment; including sexual violence against demonstrators; the judicial system continued to be used to silence dissidents, including using military jurisdiction to prosecute civilians; human rights defenders were harassed, intimidated and subject to raids; conditions of detention were extremely harsh; the food and health crises continued to worsen, especially affecting children, people with chronic illness and pregnant women; and that the number of Venezuelans seeking asylum in other countries increased,
- (vi) that the United Nations High Commissioner on Human Rights, Mr Zeid Ra'ad Al-Hussein, has said Venezuela's presidential election did not in any way fulfil minimal conditions for free and credible elections and that his office had received credible reports of hundreds of extra-judicial killings in recent years, both during protests and security operations; and
- (b) condemns calls by divisions of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU) and the Maritime Union of Australia (MUA) to support the brutal and corruptly elected regime in Venezuela and calls on the Australian Council of Trade Unions to do the same.

[Formality denied on 27 June 2018]

922 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate recognises the significant threat posed by China to the national security and democratic process of Australia.

**[Not called on at discovery on 28 June 2018
as it was intended to be debated at general business, but was not reached]**

Notice given 28 June 2018

927 Senator Di Natale

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) non-government organisations and media in Bangladesh have reported that Bangladeshi security forces have killed more than 100 people since May this year,
 - (ii) United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein, has called for the extra-judicial killing of suspected drug offenders to be "immediately halted" and for the perpetrators brought to justice, and
 - (iii) Human Rights Watch report that members of civil society groups face death threats, attacks from extremist groups and escalating harassment and surveillance by security forces; and
- (b) calls on the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Ms Bishop):
 - (i) encourage the Bangladeshi government to adopt and adhere to democratic and judicial processes and to hold free and fair elections under the auspices of a neutral authority,
 - (ii) assist the Bangladeshi government to alleviate the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Bangladesh, and
 - (iii) call for the immediate release of all political prisoners in Bangladesh.

[Formality denied on 13 August 2018]

Notice given 15 August 2018

972 Senator O'Sullivan

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the concepts of abortion and euthanasia specifically contradict the Hippocratic Oath – written nearly 2500 years ago – which is arguably the most famous text in Western medicine: “I will give no deadly medicine to any one if asked, nor suggest any such counsel; and in like manner I will not give to a woman a pessary to produce abortion”, and
 - (ii) the Queensland Labor Government’s proposed abortion laws will permit life termination at 22 weeks, which is a common age for expecting parents to be sharing images of ultrasounds due to the human form of the baby, and is a time in human development where babies have already formed lips and eyebrows and whose infused eyelids can discern the difference between light and dark; and
- (b) condemns:
 - (i) the Queensland Government for its repeated attempts to excessively overhaul state legislation on abortion, and
 - (ii) any law that would permit abortions based on gender-selection.

[Formality denied on 20 August 2018]

Notice given 21 August 2018

1003 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) that Red China is increasingly adopting a militarily aggressive stance toward its neighbours and the greater Asia-Pacific region with its:
 - (A) illegal construction of island fortresses within international waters,
 - (B) enforcement by China of air and sea exclusion zones around these islands, and
 - (C) placement of long-range weapons on the islands, such as the H-6K strategic bomber capable of striking Darwin,
 - (ii) that Australia’s growing dependence on China as an export market puts at risk the Australian economy,
 - (iii) that Chinese property speculators are driving up the cost of housing in Australia, creating the housing crisis facing our younger generations,
 - (iv) that the purchase of prime agricultural land by Chinese investors is a matter of national security,
 - (v) that the lease of vital strategic assets to Chinese-controlled companies, such as the Port of Darwin, should not be allowed to occur,
 - (vi) that Chinese donations and gifts to Australian politicians threaten the integrity of Australian democracy, and
 - (vii) the undue influence within the Australian university system from the Chinese regime, via Confucius Institutes, which can be found at the following universities: the University of Western Australia, the University of Melbourne, the University of Adelaide, the University of Queensland, the Queensland University of Technology, the University of Sydney, the University of New South Wales, the Institute at Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, the Institute at the University of Newcastle, the Institute at Charles Darwin University, the Victoria University, the Griffith University and La Trobe University; and
- (b) recognises this significant threat posed by Red China to the national security and democratic process of Australia.

[Formality denied on 22 August 2018]

Notice given 22 August 2018

1011 Senator Hanson-Young

To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, by no later than 5 pm on 24 August 2018:

- (a) all documents relating to the financial and logistical support to facilitate the vote held by the Viliwarinah Yura Aboriginal Corporation on 18 August and 19 August 2018, produced since the commencement of the National Radioactive Waste Management Facility site selection process; and
- (b) all documents relating to setting up the administrative arrangements between the Australian Electoral Commission, The Flinders Ranges Council and the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science, including the document '29May18 – AEC Contact May 2018' as referred to on page 39 of The Flinders Ranges Council agenda 12 June 2018 – agenda, reports and attachments.

[Formality denied on 23 August 2018]

Notice given 10 September 2018

1021 Senator Siewert

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges *Guardian Australia's* 'Deaths Inside' database, released in August 2018, and their reporting on First Nations' people's deaths in custody;
- (b) expresses deep concern that there has been no comprehensive monitoring of deaths in custody since the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody;
- (c) is horrified that there have been 407 deaths of First Nations' peoples in custody since the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody almost 30 years ago, and that in the last 10 years, 147 First Nations' peoples have died in custody and more than half of those who died had not been convicted of a crime;
- (d) urges the Federal Government to undertake an urgent and public audit of the recommendations made by the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, and make it a priority to implement the outstanding recommendations; and
- (e) calls on the Federal Government to show leadership and call an urgent meeting with the states and territories to develop and commit to an action plan on how the states, territories and the Commonwealth will address deaths in custody and the high rates of Aboriginal incarceration.

1030 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 27 August 2018, the UN-mandated Fact-Finding Mission issued a summary report documenting Myanmar security forces' abuses against the Rohingya population, including murder, rape and torture, and that these acts amounted to crimes against humanity and war crimes,
 - (ii) the Fact-Finding Mission also concluded that there was enough evidence to prompt further investigations into whether the crime of genocide was committed, and
 - (iii) the Fact-Finding Mission determined there was significant evidence to warrant the prosecution of senior military officials, and named six senior commanders, including Myanmar military Supreme Commander, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing and his deputies;
- (b) welcomes the fact that the Australian Government supported the establishment of the Fact-Finding Mission on Myanmar;
- (c) commends Australian lawyer, Mr Chris Sidoti for his service as one of the three commissioners of the Fact-Finding Mission; and
- (d) in light of the Fact-Finding Mission's report, calls on the Australian Government to:
 - (i) impose targeted sanctions on key members of the Myanmar military, starting with the six senior commanders named in the report,
 - (ii) publicly support a referral of the situation in Myanmar by the United Nations Security Council to the International Criminal Court, and

- (iii) immediately suspend all Australian military cooperation with Myanmar, and publicly support a global arms embargo.

[Formality denied on 11 September 2018]

Notice given 11 September 2018

1043 Senator Whish-Wilson

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the Advanced Edited Version of the United Nations (UN) High Commissioner for Human Rights Group of Experts report on the situation of human rights in Yemen, including violations and abuses since September 2014, will be considered by the UN Human Rights Council's 39th session commencing this week,
 - (ii) that the former Member for Fremantle, Ms Parke, is a member of the Group of Experts,
 - (iii) that the Group of Experts report found, inter alia, that:
 - (A) coalition air strikes have caused most of the documented civilian casualties – in the past three years, such air strikes have hit residential areas, markets, funerals, weddings, detention facilities, civilian boats and even medical facilities, and
 - (B) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Governments of Yemen, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Saudi Arabia are responsible for human rights violations, including unlawful deprivation of the right to life, arbitrary detention, rape, torture, ill-treatment, enforced disappearance and child recruitment, and serious violations of freedom of expression and economic, social and cultural rights, in particular, the right to an adequate standard of living and the right to health,
 - (iv) that between 1 January 2016 and 31 December 2017, the Australian Government granted sixteen military licences for the export of military equipment to Saudi Arabia,
 - (v) that in May 2018, the UAE Minister of Foreign Affairs met with Australian Government ministers in Parliament House to discuss potential arms sales, and
 - (vi) that, to varying degrees, Canada, Finland, Germany, Norway and Spain have either suspended or given a commitment to suspend arms sales to either Saudi Arabia and/or the UAE on the basis of their participation in the war in Yemen; and
- (b) calls upon the Federal Government to immediately suspend arms sales to Saudi Arabia and the UAE.

[Formality denied on 12 September 2018]

Notice given 12 September 2018

1054 Senator Bernardi

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates United States of America President, Donald J Trump, and his administration for announcing they were closing the Palestinian Liberation Organisation's (PLO) Washington office due to a lack of progress in peace negotiations;
- (b) notes that the PLO began in 1964, operating as a terrorist organisation targeting Israeli civilians;
- (c) further notes that the PLO embarked upon the Second Intifada from 2000 to 2005, claiming 4 000 lives – an uprising that started soon after the Camp David peace summit convened by then President Clinton; and
- (d) calls upon the Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs to ensure that no Australian aid is ever supplied to the PLO.

[Formality denied on 13 September 2018]

Notice given 13 September 2018

1059 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with serious concern that:
 - (i) members of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination believe there are credible reports that more than one million ethnic Uighurs and other Turkic Muslim minorities are being held in China, in what resembles a massive internment camp,
 - (ii) Uighur Muslims have reportedly been banned from using their language at school, and
 - (iii) religious practices, such as praying, attending mosques, fasting during Ramadan and wearing Islamic clothing, have reportedly been banned and thousands of mosques have been destroyed;
- (b) further notes worrying reports that Australian residents have said that they cannot contact their family members in China's Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region; and
- (c) calls on the Australian Government to publicly raise Australia's deep concern, including through our membership of the Human Rights Council.

[Formality denied on 17 September 2018]

Notice given 18 September 2018

1073 Senator Bernardi

To move on 20 September 2018—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) began in 1964 operating as a terrorist organisation targeting Israeli civilians,
 - (ii) the PLO embarked upon the Second Intifada from 2000 to 2005, claiming 4000 lives - an uprising that started soon after the Camp David peace summit convened by then President of the United States (US) of America, Bill Clinton, and
 - (iii) US President Donald J Trump and his administration are closing the PLO Washington office due to a lack of progress in peace negotiations; and
- (b) calls on the Foreign Minister to reflect upon the wisdom of Australian aid money going directly or indirectly to the PLO and its associated entities.

[Formality denied on 15 October 2018]

1080 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate:

- (a) notes the working definition of anti-Semitism from the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance as follows: 'Antisemitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of antisemitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, towards Jewish community institutions and religious facilities';
- (b) affirms its support and recognition of the State of Israel; and
- (c) condemns the heinous crimes perpetrated by those terrorists that would appear to be acting under the direction of the Palestinian Authority.

[Formality denied on 19 September 2018]

Notice given 15 October 2018

1109 Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)

To move—That the Senate is of the opinion that anti-Semitism should be defined, as it is by the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, as a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as:

- (a) hatred toward Jews; and
- (b) rhetorical and physical manifestations of anti-Semitism directed toward:
 - (i) Jewish or non-Jewish individuals or their property, and
 - (ii) Jewish community institutions and religious facilities.

[Formality denied on 16 October 2018]

1117 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the United Nations (UN) Treaty Collection website lists 443 multilateral treaties for Australia, and
 - (ii) both major parties support the introduction of the industry destroying, Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP), also known as TPP-11, the reincarnation of the TPP;
- (b) supports the principle that the Australian people have a right to retain control of their country and prevent Australian laws being overridden by unelected international, globalist bodies; and
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to:
 - (i) review all foreign treaties with the aim of restoring Australia's national sovereignty, and
 - (ii) reject the TPP-11 agreement.

[Formality denied on 16 October 2018]

1122 Senators Whish-Wilson, Patrick and Bernardi

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) Reporters Without Borders' 2018 Press Freedom Index ranked Saudi Arabia 169 out of 180 countries in the world, and
 - (ii) the Committee to Protect Journalists' 2015 list of the most censured countries in the world ranked Saudi Arabia the third most censured country, behind Eritrea and North Korea;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) on 2 October 2018, Mr Jamal Khashoggi, a Saudi journalist who had been living in exile and a regular contributor to the *Washington Post*, entered the Saudi consulate in Istanbul and has been not been seen since, and
 - (ii) there are widespread reports that Turkish officials have evidence that Mr Khashoggi was murdered inside the consulate;
- (c) further notes that:
 - (i) Saudi Arabia's sovereign wealth fund will be hosting the 2018 Future Investment Initiative, the so-called 'Davos in the Desert' from 23 October to 25 October 2018,
 - (ii) in the wake of the disappearance of Mr Khashoggi, a number of participants have indicated they will now not attend the event, and
 - (iii) the then Minister for Trade, Mr Ciobo, represented Australia at the 2017 'Davos in the Desert' summit;
- (d) calls upon the Australian Government to show its support for a free press and the international rules-based order by not sending any Australian official to the 2018 'Davos in the Desert' summit; and
- (e) requests the President of the Senate to provide the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, His Excellency, Mr Mesaad Ibrahim A. Al Sulaim, with the text of this motion, and to invite the Ambassador to submit a statement setting out the Kingdom's official response concerning the allegations that Mr Khashoggi was murdered inside the Kingdom's consulate in Istanbul.

[Formality denied on 16 October 2018]

Notice given 16 October 2018

1132 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Red China is increasingly threatening the domestic tranquillity and national security of Australia, through a variety of means, including but not limited to:
 - (i) Chinese property speculators driving up the cost of housing in Australia – creating the housing crisis facing our younger generations,
 - (ii) the purchase of prime agricultural land by Chinese investors, risking our food security,
 - (iii) the purchase of and long-term lease of vital strategic infrastructure to Chinese-controlled companies, such as the Port of Darwin, which threatens Australian control over our exports and imports, and
 - (iv) Chinese donations and ‘gifts’ to Australian politicians, which subverts Australian democracy; and
- (b) calls on all senators to recognise this significant threat posed by Red China to the national security and democratic process of Australia.

[Formality denied on 17 October 2018]

1133 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the undue influence within the Australian university system from the Chinese regime via the Confucius Institutes which can be found at the following universities: University of Western Australia, University of Melbourne, University of Adelaide, University of Queensland, Queensland University of Technology, University of Sydney, University of New South Wales, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, University of Newcastle, Charles Darwin University, Victoria University, Griffith University and La Trobe University;
- (b) notes the regular intimidation of Chinese students studying in Australia by the Chinese Communist Government, for comments critical of the oppressive regime; and
- (c) calls on all senators to recognise this significant threat posed by Red China to the freedom of the education and university system within Australia through its Confucian Institutes Trojan Horse.

[Formality denied on 17 October 2018]

1141 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes a motion of 19 June 2018 calling for the relocation of the Australian Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem, in line with a similar action by the United States, was opposed by the Government which voted with Labor and The Greens to defeat the motion, standing in my name;
- (b) notes that the Wentworth by-election will occur on 20 October 2018 and that that electorate has a large Jewish population;
- (c) notes the statement by the Prime Minister, Mr Morrison, on 15 October 2018, that the Government is supposedly considering relocating the Australian Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem;
- (d) expresses concern that these comments by the Prime Minister do not reflect a genuine intent by the Government to re-locate the Australian Embassy, but are instead a cynical ploy to win Liberal votes in a closely-contested seat which the Government has no intention of honouring; and
calls on the Federal Government to dispel these concerns by making a firm commitment immediately that it will relocate the Australian Embassy in Israel to Jerusalem by March 2019.

[Formality denied on 17 October 2018]

1159 Senator Waters

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the bill before the Queensland Parliament to decriminalise abortion by removing it from the 1899 Criminal Code; and
- (b) congratulates and thanks all the women, activists and organisations, including Pro Choice Queensland, Children by Choice, Fair Agenda, Marie Stopes, Young Queensland for Choice, and

all other grassroots campaigns, who have spent decades working tirelessly in Queensland for abortion law reform and to give women the right to make decisions about their own bodies.

[Formality denied on 12 November 2018]

1162 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges the absolute right of the Australian people to determine who comes to this country, as championed by former Prime Minister, Mr John Howard, who stated ‘I don’t think it is wrong, racist, immoral or anything, for a country to say we will decide what the cultural identity and the cultural destiny of this country will be and nobody else’;
- (b) notes that, in reference to the immigration policy of his Government giving preference to Europeans, former Prime Minister Sir Robert Menzies stated ‘I don’t want to see reproduced in Australia the kind of problem they have in South Africa or in America or increasingly in Great Britain. I think it’s been a very good policy and it’s been of great value to us’;
- (c) notes the Prime Minister’s enthusiasm for the values of Sir Robert Menzies as expressed in his recent Albury address;
- (d) looks to the Prime Minister embracing the totality of Sir Robert Menzies’ philosophy, including his support for a predominantly European immigration program; and
- (e) calls on the Prime Minister to explain his support for Sir Robert Menzies, while his Government continues the mass influx of immigrants into Australia.

[Formality denied on 12 November 2018]

Notice given 13 November 2018

1195 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the United Nations (UN) has called Yemen the world’s worst humanitarian crisis, with more than 22 million people – three-quarters of the population – in need of humanitarian aid and protection,
 - (ii) UNICEF says a child dies every 10 minutes in Yemen from diseases that could easily be prevented, and half of Yemeni children are chronically malnourished, and
 - (iii) 80% of Yemen’s food imports and relief supplies flow through the Port of Hodeidah, and the UN and aid groups have warned that a full-scale assault on Hodeidah could trigger a famine;
- (b) supports:
 - (i) the current efforts of the United Kingdom’s Foreign Secretary to build support among international and regional partners for new action in the UN Security Council to bolster the UN-led peace process, and
 - (ii) the United States Administration’s decision to no longer take part in inflight refueling operations for Saudi-led coalition aircraft involved in the fighting; and
- (c) calls for:
 - (i) a cessation of hostilities,
 - (ii) all sides in the Yemen conflict to participate in UN-led peace talks by the end of the year,
 - (iii) the Saudi-led coalition to take all measures possible to reduce civilian casualties and ensure access to affected areas for the delivery of humanitarian and essential supplies to the civilian population, and for the Australian Government to exert appropriate pressure to achieve these outcomes, and

- (iv) the Australian Government to support United Nations' efforts to find a political solution to the conflict, and assure itself that any Australian military cooperation in the region, including defence equipment sales, does not inadvertently contribute to the suffering of the Yemeni civilian population.

[Formality denied on 14 November 2018]

1203 Senator Whish-Wilson

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) that the Japanese whaling fleet has left port to sail south for another summer of slaughter in the Southern Ocean,
 - (ii) the recent decision of the International Whaling Commission (IWC) to maintain its current governance rules, and the protections they provide against the resumption of commercial whaling,
 - (iii) the Japanese Government's recent push at IWC67 for a resumption of full commercial whaling, and its statement at the end of this meeting that it is considering all options in relation to the resumption of commercial whaling,
 - (iv) the Japanese Government's aggressive expansion plans for its whaling fleet, and new legislation that provides military capabilities and other powers to their whaling fleet,
 - (v) the Japanese Government's stated intention to again undertake fake scientific whaling in the Southern Ocean this coming summer, possibly in Australian waters,
 - (vi) the planned visit of the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Shinzo Abe, to Australia this month to strengthen the relationship with Australia, and
 - (vii) that many Australians will see this as a stunt if the Japanese Prime Minister is not prepared to put his case directly to the Australian people on why his country continues to flout the IWC and International Court of Justice rules-based order; and
- (b) calls on the Australian Prime Minister to raise the issue of whaling with Mr Abe and to make it clear to Mr Abe that Australia opposes Japan undertaking any whaling of any sort, particularly in the Southern Ocean, and particularly in Australian waters; and highlight that the continued and expanded activities of the Japanese whaling fleet in the Southern Ocean, against Australia's wishes, is contrary to closer defence and security ties.

[Formality denied on 14 November 2018]

1205 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with concern that the socialist-left Queensland Government has passed a bill to legalise late-term abortion, allowing for termination long after a developing child would be able to be born and live to adulthood; and
- (b) condemns the Queensland Government for its new abortion laws and calls on the Liberal-National Party Opposition to commit to repeal them when elected to office.

Notice of motion altered on 14 November 2018 pursuant to standing order 77.

[Formality denied on 15 November 2018]

Notice given 14 November 2018

1212 Senators Bernardi and O'Sullivan

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) New South Wales (NSW) Greens MP, Ms Jenny Leong, used parliamentary privilege to call on fellow NSW Greens MP, Mr Jeremy Buckingham, to step down as a candidate at the NSW election due to an alleged 'act of sexual violence' and aggressive, intimidating behaviour,
 - (ii) Mr Buckingham has been the subject of allegations that he inappropriately touched former staffer Ms Ella Buckland in 2011,
 - (iii) former Greens staffer and journalist, Ms Lauren Ingram, alleges she was violently raped by a Greens party volunteer in 2015, which she says she reported to the Greens and heard nothing for months, so she tweeted pictures of her bruising from the incident, drawing a response from the Party in June 2017,
 - (iv) former co-convenor of the NSW Young Greens in 2017, Ms Holly Brooke, says a male party member indecently assaulted her, trying to force his hand down her pants and alleges the Greens' response was to suggest she teach a consent workshop to the perpetrator, a response she said was 'more traumatic than the instance itself',
 - (v) it has also been alleged that former Victorian Greens party leader, Mr Greg Barber, had a 'men's-only room' in his office, and settled out of court with a former female staffer about sex discrimination and bullying,
 - (vi) Victorian Greens candidate, Mr Angus McAlpine, has refused to resign despite rapping about date-rape and domestic violence, and has been defended by Victorian Greens leader, Ms Samantha Ratnam,
 - (vii) another Victorian Greens candidate, Mr Dominic Phillips, has liked one Facebook page called 'Period Pains, Try waiting for your porn to download' and another with a title so inappropriate it has been deemed unparliamentary,
 - (viii) a former Greens volunteer alleges she was sexually assaulted by another volunteer in the back of a car in Canberra on the night of the last Federal election,
 - (ix) Young Greens members wrote an open letter to their party in August demanding it reshape its culture around sexism within the party, with dozens resigning in disgust over handling of sexual misconduct allegations,
 - (x) lawyer, Mr Rory Markham, says he is advising a number of women who say the Greens party mishandled their complaints of sexual assault and harassment arising in Victoria, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory,
 - (xi) the Greens have 10 federal members of parliament, federal party status, 27 state members of parliament, the attendant staffing resources, and have received at least \$28.5 million in federal election-based public funding since 2001, and millions more in state and territory election-based public funding, and
 - (xii) Greens Senators Di Natale, Siewert and Hanson-Young have all used the phrase "the standard you walk past is the standard you accept";
- (b) calls upon Senators Di Natale, Siewert, Steele-John, Hanson-Young, Rice, Waters, Faruqi, Whish-Wilson and McKim to make statements to the Senate condemning predatory and criminal behaviour within the Greens party, and apologise to the victims; and
- (c) calls upon the Federal Government to write to all Greens Party branches providing details of support services, and advice as to the means to report inappropriate and potentially criminal behaviour.

[Formality denied on 26 November 2018]

1214 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the sharpest ever drop recorded in Australia's greenhouse pollution occurred during the two-year period of the carbon pricing mechanism, and
 - (ii) during the carbon price, inflation was contained, the economy grew by 4.7% as emissions dropped by 8.2%, compared to the two-year period before the carbon price; and
- (b) supports the widely held position of economists, industry and environment groups that an economy-wide carbon price is the lowest cost, most effective way to reduce pollution and encourage investment in the industries of the future.

[Formality denied on 26 November 2018]

Notice given 26 November 2018

1236 Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges that:
 - (i) the Sentinelese people of the remote North Sentinel Islands are likely the last pre-Neolithic tribe in the world, and possess a unique culture and way of life that should be cherished and protected, and
 - (ii) even small levels of migration would have a devastating and irreversible effect on the beautiful and unique culture and way of life of the Sentinelese people; and
- (b) supports the desire of the Sentinelese people to protect their culture and way of life through the enforcement of their strict zero-gross immigration policy.

[Formality denied on 27 November 2018]

Notice given 27 November 2018

1257 Senator McAllister

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) strongly supports the right of the Saharawi people to self-determination;
- (b) expresses concern about:
 - (i) continuing reports of human rights violations in Western Sahara, and urges the United Nations (UN) to include human rights monitoring in the mandate of its mission in the Territory, MINURSO,
 - (ii) the continued hardships faced by Saharawi refugees and their dependency on external humanitarian assistance, and
 - (iii) the exploitation of the natural resources of Western Sahara without the consent of the Saharawi people and their representatives;
- (c) notes recent decisions by the European Union Court of Justice and the High Court of South Africa on Western Sahara resources;
- (d) welcomes the UN Security Council's recent reassertions of the importance of the Saharawi's right to self-determination, and the need for a just and lasting solution, which will provide for the self-determination of the people of Western Sahara;
- (e) expresses full support for the efforts of the Personal Envoy of the Secretary-General for Western Sahara, Horst Köhler, former President of the Federal Republic of Germany, to revive the peace process;
- (f) welcomes the agreement of the parties to resume talks under UN auspices on 4 and 5 December 2018 in Geneva;
- (g) calls on the Federal Government to extend all due assistance to the UN in its efforts to hold the long-delayed referendum of self-determination; and

- (h) stresses the importance of resolving the question of Western Sahara without further delay to bring peace, stability and progress to the region.

[Formality denied on 28 November 2018]

Notice given 29 November 2018

1274 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) 1 December is West Papuan National Flag Day, commemorating the day in 1961 when the New Guinea Council – West Papua’s Parliament under Dutch colonial rule – raised the Morning Star flag for the first time, signalling the Netherlands’ recognition of West Papua’s statehood, and
 - (ii) since the Indonesian Government formally annexed West Papua in 1969, West Papuans have been waiting for the opportunity to determine their own future, having been denied the right to self-determination;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) last year, more than 1.8 million West Papuans, representing more than 70% of the West Papuan population, signed the West Papuan People’s Petition, despite threats from the Indonesian Government, which called for a free vote on West Papuan independence and the appointment of a United Nations human rights representative, and
 - (ii) West Papuans continue to face abuses by Indonesian authorities, including reports of extrajudicial killings, torture, arbitrary detention, excessive use of force and mistreatment of peaceful protesters; and
- (c) calls on the Australian Government to support West Papuans’ claims for self-determination, and their demands for a United Nations investigation of human rights abuses.

[Formality denied on 3 December 2018]

1275 Senators Wong and Singh

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) distinguished nuclear weapons experts warn of the unprecedented risk of an accidental or deliberate nuclear war, and that this risk is as great as it has ever been, including during the Cold War,
 - (ii) the current position of the hands of the Doomsday Clock, ceremonially moved by a committee of Nobel Prize winners and nuclear weapons experts, is as close to midnight as it has ever been, and
 - (iii) a number of recent developments further worsen nuclear risk;
- (b) shares the ambition of a world free of nuclear weapons and the risk of nuclear war;
- (c) acknowledges international efforts to reduce nuclear war risk, including in the Conference on Disarmament; and
- (d) calls on the Australian Government to make nuclear war risk reduction a topmost security priority, including working with allies and partners to encourage nuclear weapon states to take urgent steps to reduce the risk of nuclear war.

[Formality denied on 3 December 2018]

Notice given 3 December 2018

1283 Senators Anning, Stoker and O'Sullivan

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Queensland *Termination of Pregnancy Act 2018* commences on 3 December 2018;
- (b) condemns the fact that, as a result of this Act, from that day late-term abortion is lawful in Queensland, despite the fact that it involves the killing of children otherwise capable of survival outside of the womb;
- (c) recognises that, given killing a child is a crime punishable by imprisonment for life, it is repugnant to treat killing a child only days before its due date as anything less than a crime; and
- (d) strongly condemns the Queensland Government for its new abortion laws, and calls on the Liberal-National Party Opposition to commit to repeal them when elected to office.

[Formality denied and motion to suspend standing orders negated on 4 December 2018]

Notice given 4 December 2018

1309 Senator Anning

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) expresses its concern that the Minister for Foreign Affairs is pushing ahead with supporting the UN Global Compact on Refugees, on behalf of Australia;
- (b) expresses its alarm that, once again, unelected left-wing United Nations bureaucrats are being allowed to dictate policy to the government of Australia without regard to the wishes of the Australian people;
- (c) notes that a high proportion of so-called refugees from the Middle East and Africa are simply welfare-seeking economic migrants exploiting permissive immigration rules; and
- (d) condemns the UN Global Compact on Refugees as yet another attack on Australian sovereignty and threat to our identity, and calls on the Australian Government to repudiate it.

[Formality denied on 12 February 2019]

1317 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with serious concern:
 - (i) credible reports that one million Uighurs and other Turkic Muslims have been detained in China's Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region,
 - (ii) Human Rights Watch's recent report, *Eradicating Ideological Viruses: China's Campaign of Repression Against Xinjiang's Muslims*, which presented new evidence of the Chinese Government's mass arbitrary detention, torture, and mistreatment in the region, and
 - (iii) evidence that Xinjiang's Turkic Muslim population of 13 million people is subjected to forced political indoctrination, collective punishment, restrictions on movement and communications, heightened religious restrictions and mass surveillance, in violation of international human rights law;
- (b) is deeply concerned by the fact that three Australians have been detained and released from China's so-called re-education camps in the Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region in the past year, and that other Australian residents of Uighur background have also been detained; and
- (c) calls on the Australian Government to make a strong statement condemning the human rights abuses occurring in China's Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region.

[Formality denied on 5 December 2018]

Notice given 5 December 2018

1326 Senator Griff

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges:
 - (i) that Australia’s relationship with China is founded on shared interests and mutual respect,
 - (ii) the efforts of all Australian Governments to engage in discussions with China on human rights issues in a constructive and ongoing dialogue,
 - (iii) that the Australia–China Human Rights Dialogue is the primary forum for Australia’s engagement with China on human rights issues,
 - (iv) that 2018 is the 21st year of the Australia–China Human Rights Dialogue and that, since 1997, there have been 15 occasions on which Australia and China have participated in dialogue discussion, and
 - (v) that Australia’s discussions on human rights issues engage a wide range of matters, including freedom of expression and religion, the treatment of ethnic minorities, torture and the death penalty, children’s and women’s rights, and Tibet;
- (b) notes that 2019 marks:
 - (i) the 30th anniversary of the Dalai Lama being awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, in October 1989, for his efforts in the struggle of the liberation of Tibet, and his efforts for a peaceful resolution instead of using violence, and
 - (ii) the 60th anniversary of the September 1954 meeting of Chairman Mao and the Dalai Lama in Beijing; and
- (c) calls on the Australian Government to maintain an active engagement with China on human rights issues.

[Formality denied on 6 December 2018]

1330 Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)

To move—That the Senate calls on the Government to immediately withdraw from the United Nations’ flawed and damaging Paris Climate deal.

[Formality denied on 12 February 2019]

1340 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with deep concern:
 - (i) Cambodia’s recent sham election, held on 29 July 2018, against a backdrop of democratic suppression, including the jailing (and subsequent house arrest) of Opposition Leader Kem Sokha, the dissolution of the main opposition party, the Cambodia National Rescue Party (CNRP), and attacks on the free press, and
 - (ii) Cambodia’s Hun Sen regime has not taken steps to reinstate the banned CNRP, nor has it dismissed charges against political activists, including Kem Sokha;
- (b) further notes:
 - (i) Australia’s key leadership role in the Paris Peace Accord of 1991, which provides for periodic and genuine elections in Cambodia,
 - (ii) that, in March 2018, Australia and 44 other countries delivered a Joint Statement to the UN Human Rights Council, citing “an electoral process from which the main democratic opposition party has been arbitrarily excluded cannot be considered genuine or legitimate”,
 - (iii) that the UN’s former Special Representative for Human Rights in Cambodia, the Hon. Michael Kirby, stated in July 2018 that “the actions in Cambodia against the opposition parties are so extreme that they well merit a strong response from the democratic Parliament of Australia”,
 - (iv) that the United States Government has implemented targeted sanctions against the Cambodian regime,
 - (v) on 18 September 2018, the European Parliament declared that the “political structure of Cambodia can no longer be considered a democracy”, and the European Commission has begun a process to withdraw special tax concessions for Cambodia,
 - (vi) Human Rights Watch’s report, *Cambodia’s Dirty Dozen*, profiling 12 senior generals in the military, police and the gendarmerie responsible for serious and systematic human rights violations, and

- (vii) allegations, aired on *Four Corners*, of money laundering, visa fraud and tax evasion by members of Cambodia's regime, and the political activities of the Cambodian Embassy in recruiting members of the Cambodian community in Australia to join Cambodia's ruling party;
- (c) declares that Cambodia's Government is neither democratic, legitimate nor representative of the will of the Cambodian people; and
- (d) calls on the Australian Government to implement targeted sanctions, including travel bans and asset freezes against individuals in Cambodia's Hun Sen regime involved in human rights abuses or directly and substantially undermining democracy in Cambodia.

[Formality denied on 12 February 2019]

Notice given 12 February 2019

1360 Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)

To move—That the Senate calls on the Federal Government to divert the allocation for foreign aid in the upcoming 2019 Budget to relief assistance for drought, fire and flooding victims from across Australia.

[Formality denied on 14 February 2019]

1361 Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson)

To move—That the Senate demands that the Federal Government ban all forms of unstunned animal slaughter, such as unstunned halal slaughter, in line with the recommendations of the RSPCA.

1370 Senator Singh

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with concern that:
 - (i) the Pacific region is especially vulnerable to the effects of climate change, many of which are already beginning to be felt and to threaten the lives and livelihoods of the region's residents, and
 - (ii) this region will soon be home to around 10 million people, residing in some of the world's least developed and most infrastructure-poor nations;
- (b) further notes that:
 - (i) Prime Minister Scott Morrison completed a state visit to Fiji and Vanuatu in January this year,
 - (ii) during this visit, the Prime Minister of Fiji expressed his hope that Australia would join Fiji 'on the frontlines of the global campaign for climate action',
 - (iii) despite making a small pledge to combat the effects of climate change in the Pacific, the Federal Government has failed to adopt effective policy designed to lower emissions and prevent further climate change from occurring, and is now refusing to support the Green Climate Fund - the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change's official method of supporting less developed countries, such as Fiji, in their efforts to mitigate the effects of climate change on their citizens, and
 - (iv) as a result, since 2014, Australia's greenhouse emissions have consistently grown, are currently at a seven-year high, and are projected to increase all the way to 2030, as far as government projections go;
- (c) recognises that climate change is the single greatest threat to the livelihoods, security and wellbeing of the peoples of the Pacific region; and
- (d) calls upon the Federal Government to:
 - (i) take effective and immediate action to combat the causes of climate change, and
 - (ii) to work in partnership with Pacific nations in the development of measures to combat climate change's effects.

[Formality denied on 14 February 2019]

Notice given 13 February 2019

1408 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes with deep concern that:
 - (i) Turkish MP, Leyla Guven, has been on a hunger strike for almost 100 days, and she is in a critical condition, and
 - (ii) almost 300 other Kurds held in Turkish prisons are now also on indefinite hunger strikes, and they have reportedly not been given sufficient water or vitamin supplements;
- (b) expresses regret that the central demand of the hunger strikers – an end to the total isolation of imprisoned Kurdish leader Abdullah Ocalan, and an end to the persecution of the Kurdish people in Turkey – has gone unheard; and
- (c) urges the Australian Government to advocate for urgent dialogue between the Turkish authorities and the hunger strikers, so that tragedy can be avoided.

[Formality denied on 2 April 2019]

1409 Senator McGrath

To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates the Australian Government for recognising and supporting the President of the Venezuelan National Assembly, Juan Guaidó, as the country's interim President;
- (b) notes that Venezuela, once one of the world's wealthiest nations, is now one of the world's poorest; and
- (c) urges all parties to work towards a peaceful resolution to the dire economic and political situation in Venezuela.

[Formality denied on 2 April 2019]

Notice given 14 February 2019

1424 Senator Anning

To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to establish the National Development Bank, and for related purposes. Regional Investment Corporation Amendment (National Development) Bill 2019.
Notice of motion altered on 20 March 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.

1425 Senator Anning

To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for a plebiscite at the next general election in relation to migration to Australia, and for related purposes. ***Plebiscite (Allowing Australians to Decide Who Comes Here) Bill 2019.***

1426 Senator Anning

To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for citizen initiated referendums, and for related purposes. ***Democratising Lawmaking Bill 2019.***

Notice given 2 April 2019

1431 **Senator Hanson-Young:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Water Act 2007*, and for related purposes. ***Water Amendment (Saving the Murray-Darling) Bill 2019.***

1432 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate notes that 6 February 2019 marked the 67th anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Australia and Head of the Commonwealth.

1433 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates the 74 worthy Western Australians who were recipients of 2019 Australia Day Honours for their outstanding achievement and service; and
- (b) particularly notes the following recipients:
 - (i) the late Mr Lloyd Stanley Perron, AM, for eminent service to the community through philanthropic contributions to a range of charitable organisations, and to the commercial property sector,
 - (ii) the Honourable Barry John House, AM, for significant service to the people and Parliament of Western Australia, and to the community of the South West,
 - (iii) the late the Honourable Kennon Richard Lewis, AM, for significant service to the Parliament of Western Australia, and to the community,
 - (iv) Dr Paul Vogel, AM, for significant service to public administration through environmental leadership roles,
 - (v) the Honourable Michael Francis Board, OAM, for service to youth in Western Australia,
 - (vi) Mrs Lynette Suzanne Craigie, OAM, for service to local government, and to the community of the Pilbara,
 - (vii) Ms Joan Barbara Hillman, OAM, for service to sports administration, and
 - (viii) the Honourable Robert Frank Johnson, OAM, for service to the Parliament and community of Western Australia.

1434 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate congratulates the following recipients of 2019 Australia Day Honours for their outstanding achievement and service to Australia's HIV response:

- (a) Professor Sharon Lewin, AO, for distinguished service to medical research, and to education, in the field of infectious disease, particularly HIV/AIDS;
- (b) Ms Annie Madden, AO, for distinguished service to community health, as an advocate for the disadvantaged, to policy development, and to human rights;
- (c) Mr Mark Orr, AM, for significant service to community health through a range of initiatives;
- (d) Professor Margaret Hellard, AM, for significant service to medicine as an infectious diseases and public health physician and research scientist;
- (e) Professor Jennifer Hoy, AM, for significant service to medicine, and to medical education, in the field of infectious diseases; and
- (f) Mr Graeme Head, AO, for distinguished service to public administration, to diversity employment initiatives, and to environmental protection.

1435 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate notes—

- (a) that 15 February 2019 marked 65 years since Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II opened the 3rd session of the 20th Parliament in the Senate Chamber on her first official visit to Australia in 1954; and
- (b) Her Majesty's gracious remarks to Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives during her opening address: "It is therefore a joy for me, today, to address you not as a Queen from far away, but as your Queen and a part of your Parliament. In a real sense, you are here as my colleagues, friends, and advisers".

1436 **Senator Dean Smith:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates all award recipients honoured at the 2,758 Karen People's New Year celebration in Perth, Western Australia on 6 January 2019; and
- (b) specifically recognises the following achievements:
 - (i) outstanding Leadership Award winner Paul Kyaw, for leadership and active service to the Karen community through membership of the Western Australian Parliamentary Friends of Burma group, and for receiving a Multicultural Community Service Award from the Western Australian Government (2011) and People of Australia Ambassador Award from the Commonwealth Government (2013),
 - (ii) outstanding Leadership Award winner Joansy Pegrum, for cofounding the Karen Welfare Association of Western Australia and representing the Karen community in positions of leadership, and for receiving a nomination for an International Women's Day Award in 2008 and 2010,
 - (iii) outstanding Citizenship Award (Public Sector) winner Senior Constable Richard Lwin, for longstanding service to the Karen community, and for dedicating 20 years of service to the broader Australian community through the Western Australian Police Force, and

- (iv) outstanding Citizenship Award (Entrepreneur) winner Lar Khu Jue, for overcoming significant challenges, embracing opportunity and building LJ Auto Service into a successful business enterprise.
- 1437 **Senator Waters:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for superannuation to be provided to members of Parliament under the same scheme, and for related purposes. ***Parliamentary Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Fair Superannuation for Members of Parliament) Bill 2019.***
- 1438 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* and the *Referendum (Machinery Provisions) Act 1984*, and for related purposes. ***Commonwealth Electoral Law Amendment (Compulsory Voter Identification) Bill 2019.***
- 1439 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the Senate—
- (a) notes the positive influence that an active lifestyle has on physical and mental wellbeing;
 - (b) recognises the noteworthy achievements of parkrun, a grassroots volunteer organisation that started with a single event at Bushy Park, England, but which now runs over 1,400 free running events every Saturday morning in 21 countries, for people of all shapes, ages and sizes;
 - (c) congratulates parkrun Australia, which launched on the Gold Coast, Queensland, on 4 April 2011, and now has free events in over 350 locations across the nation; and
 - (d) encourages all Australians to participate with organisations such as parkrun, with the goal of living longer, happier and healthier lives.
- 1440 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the Senate—
- (a) recognises the ongoing threat that Yellow Crazy Ants, a pest that is listed as one of the top 100 worst invasive species in the world, pose to property, livestock and agriculture in the Wet Tropics World Heritage area, and the Cairns region;
 - (b) notes that:
 - (i) the Wet Tropics Management Authority's Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program has delivered significant success in the last two years, with a major decrease in ants and their spread across the region and into the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area, and
 - (ii) total eradication has been achieved in some areas;
 - (c) further recognises that, while significant progress has been made fighting the threat of Yellow Crazy Ants in North Queensland, sustained effort is required to completely eradicate one of the state's most invasive pests in and adjacent to the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area; and
 - (d) thanks all the volunteers and professionals who continue to make the eradication program a success, with particular thanks to Mr Frank Teodo and Ms Lucy Karger PSM for their outstanding contributions.
- 1441 **Senator McGrath:** To move—That the Senate—
- (a) notes that, whilst the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry emphasised the negative facets of the financial services industry, there were countless positive aspects about the industry that were not highlighted;
 - (b) recognises the multitude of professional, law-abiding and hard-working financial advisers around the nation who have made it their mission to achieve the best possible financial outcome for their clients, by:
 - (i) helping families achieve their financial goals,
 - (ii) assisting families to create financial buffers in order to deal with life's potential setbacks,
 - (iii) protecting families in times of severe illness, injury or even death, and
 - (iv) helping people plan and enjoy comfortable, secure retirements;
 - (c) further notes that:
 - (i) a strong financial advice profession is critical to the future of many Australians, and
 - (ii) the financial adviser community is currently undergoing a period of internal and external change; and
 - (d) expresses its support for financial advisers who continue to operate within the law and provide positive financial outcomes for Australians.
- 1442 **Senators Steele-John, Hanson-Young, Di Natale, Whish-Wilson, Siewert, Rice, Faruqi, Waters and McKim:** To move—That the Senate—
- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 15 March 2019, approximately 150,000 school students across Australia, and over 1.5 million across the world, took part in the school strike for climate,

- (ii) many organisations and individuals suggested it would have been more appropriate for these rallies to be held on the weekend, therefore missing the point of what a strike is,
 - (iii) the Australian Greens fully support all students who took part in the more than 100 strikes across Australia, and more than 1,700 around the world, and agree that climate change must be taken seriously by our policy leaders and decision makers, and
 - (iv) Australia is already suffering the consequences of climate change, and it is imperative that we listen to the voices and the concerns of those who it will affect the most by demonstrating serious and meaningful action on climate change; and
- (b) endorses the climate strikers and their three key demands which are:
- (i) to stop the Adani coal mine,
 - (ii) no new coal or gas, and
 - (iii) 100% renewable energy by 2030.

1445 **Senators Brown and Bilyk:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) 21 March 2019 was World Down Syndrome Day, a day for the Down Syndrome community that is celebrated throughout Australia and the world, and
 - (ii) the theme for World Down Syndrome Day 2019 is ‘Leave No One Behind’; and
- (b) calls on all levels of government and the wider society to work together towards a more inclusive community that will ensure that no-one, especially people with disability, are left behind.

1447 **Senator Storer:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) the Australian Academy of Science released a report earlier this year showing that floodplain harvesting is a major contributor to the poor health of the Murray-Darling system,
 - (ii) the report found that “low stream flows are exacerbated by take of water from the floodplain that would otherwise discharge to rivers, particularly in low-flow conditions”,
 - (iii) unregulated floodplain harvesting reduces water flow, depriving irrigators and rural communities in the Darling and southern end of the system, and
 - (iv) according to the President of the Australian Floodplain Association, floodplain harvesting across northern New South Wales could account for upwards of 3,000 billion litres in a large overland flow event, given the amount of storage; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to commit to a comprehensive audit, primary data measurement and reporting of the take of floodplain harvesting on New South Wales and Queensland floodplains.

1448 **Senator Storer:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) air pollution causes one third of deaths from stroke, lung cancer and heart disease, on par with smoking tobacco,
 - (ii) in 2015, the cost of premature deaths in Australia, due to outdoor air pollution, was \$17.8 billion,
 - (iii) the Health Effects Institute estimates that air pollution from light vehicle emissions caused 1,715 deaths in Australia in 2015, more than the national road toll,
 - (iv) idling (leaving the car running when stationary) contributes to air pollution and associated health risks – two minutes spent idling is equal to one mile of driving, and
 - (v) children and the elderly are especially susceptible to the effects of air pollution; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to follow the lead of the United Kingdom, the United States of America and others by establishing anti-idling zones around schools and nursing homes.

1449 **Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson):** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act creating a system of mandatory self-assessment of family law matters, and for other purposes. ***Family Law (Self-Assessment) Bill 2019.***

1451 **Senator Bilyk:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the 100th anniversary of the foundation of the International Labour Organization (ILO) on 11 April 1919 as a reminder of the ongoing need to fight for the rights of workers and decent working conditions;
- (b) celebrates the ILO’s important role in setting labour standards and promoting decent work for all men and women for the past 100 years;
- (c) expresses its disappointment at the Australian Government’s lack of participation in promoting and celebrating the 100th anniversary of the ILO within Australia;

- (d) notes that in Australia:
 - (i) in 2018, 154 workers were killed at work,
 - (ii) too many workers are exploited through labour hire arrangements and sham contracting which undermines their rights and conditions,
 - (iii) at a time when wage growth has hit record lows, 700,000 workers have had their penalty rates cut, and
 - (iv) the gender pay gap remains unacceptably high; and
- (e) calls on the Australian Government to crack down on sham contracting and sham enterprise agreements, reverse their cuts to penalty rates and take action to address industrial deaths and the gender pay gap.

1452 **Senator Faruqi:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Royal National Park in New South Wales has enormous heritage value, including being the first national park in Australia, as well as one of the first in the world, and
 - (ii) it has been six years since the Federal Government and the New South Wales state government committed to nominating the Royal National Park for World Heritage status; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to demonstrate environmental leadership and immediately place the Royal National Park on Australia's Tentative World Heritage List.

1453 **Senator Waters:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Federal Government has announced \$9 million over 3 years to the Wet Tropics Management Authority (WTMA) to fund the Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program,
 - (ii) WTMA is seeking \$6 million a year for 7 years from July 2019 to continue its successful Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program within and adjacent to the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area,
 - (iii) the Federal Government announcement amounts to just 21% of the funding required to complete the program and over the 3 year funding commitment amounts to just half of what is needed,
 - (iv) to date, the WTMA Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program has been successful in reducing yellow crazy ant activity across all areas of known infestation and eradicating the ants from some parts, and
 - (v) underfunding and funding uncertainty of the program may lead to job losses, project cut-backs and ultimately may be unsuccessful in eradicating yellow crazy ants from this world heritage area; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to increase its funding commitment to \$6 million per year over 7 years – to match the full funding required to eradicate yellow crazy ant from the wet tropics world heritage area and adjacent areas.

1454 **Senators Faruqi and Waters:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Al Jazeera's documentary 'How to Sell a Massacre' has revealed that Pauline Hanson's One Nation Party sought millions of dollars in donations from the American gun lobby group, the National Rifle Association and discussed softening One Nation's policies on gun ownership as they tried to secure the funding;
- (b) calls on the Liberal Party to recommend voters preference One Nation last at the upcoming Federal election;
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to reiterate their commitment to strong gun control and the National Firearms Agreement;
- (d) calls on the Federal Government to ban political donations from the gun lobby; and
- (e) calls on all political parties who have accepted political donations from the gun lobby in 2018-19 to return them, and refuse to accept any other donations from the gun lobby until a ban is legislated.

1455 **Senator Spender:** To move—That the order of the Senate of 29 November 2018, relating to estimates hearings by legislation committees, be amended by inserting after paragraph (3):

(3A) That the committees shall meet to consider 2019-20 Budget estimates notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament or dissolution of the House of Representatives.

1456 **Senator Spender:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates Sydneysider Ms Jill Colebourn for being the first Australian woman to qualify for the biathlon world cup in 20 years; and
- (b) notes that biathlon is:
 - (i) a combined skiing and shooting sport included at the Winter Olympics, which tests an athlete's capacity for exertion and calm,
 - (ii) a recognised sport in Victoria, allowing Australian athletes to train there and allowing those with an interest to try the sport, and
 - (iii) supported by the Commonwealth Government's Australian Sports Foundation.

1457 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Shark Bay in Western Australia is one of four marine World Heritage sites across the world that meets all four criteria for World Heritage listing;
- (b) acknowledges that:
 - (i) Shark Bay is at catastrophic risk of devastation from climate change,
 - (ii) the 2011 marine heatwave in Shark Bay caused mass deaths of sea animals, coral bleaching and a loss of seagrass, and
 - (iii) the loss of seagrasses was irreplaceable;
- (c) recognises that the Federal Government is not providing sufficient funding to address the threat of climate change in Shark Bay; and
- (d) calls for the Federal Government to take urgent action to address climate change, commit adequate funding for research on the impact of climate change on Shark Bay and ensure action is taken to address those impacts.

1458 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises that new research from the National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling shows that increasing Newstart by \$75 a week would reduce the poverty rate in Australia by 0.8%;
- (b) acknowledges that our social safety net is failing to protect unemployed workers from falling into poverty;
- (c) notes that the Federal Government's one-off Energy Assistance Payment of \$75 for singles and \$125 for couples excludes people on Newstart; and
- (d) urges the Federal Government to immediately address poverty in Australia by raising the single rate of Newstart and Youth Allowance by \$75 a week.

1459 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises that:
 - (i) the evidence heard over the course of the 2017 Royal Commission into Youth Detention in the Northern Territory (the Commission) was appalling, and Australians were shocked that children were being abused and locked behind bars,
 - (ii) the children of the Northern Territory (NT) who have been abused in detention were failed and are still being failed because of the inability of the NT and Federal Governments to fully fund and implement the Commission's recommendations,
 - (iii) in June 2018, all children in detention in the Northern Territory were Aboriginal, and
 - (iv) since 2004, there has been a 135% increase in the number of First Nations peoples in prison, and First Nations peoples are now 13 times more likely to be imprisoned than non-Indigenous people;
- (b) notes that the NT Government blindsided stakeholders and the community when it rushed through changes to youth justice laws that go against recommendations of the Royal Commission;
- (c) acknowledges that reform of the NT justice system must be done in close consultation with First Nations communities; and
- (d) calls on the Commonwealth Government to show leadership and commit to assisting with funding the recommendations of the Royal Commission and look to therapeutic approaches including diversion, care plans and facilities with staff trained in de-escalation and a rehabilitative rather than punitive approach.

1460 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the misogynistic undertones of the ParentsNext program, given 95% of program participants are women,
 - (ii) that the Human Rights Commission has said that ParentsNext is not compatible with human rights,

- (iii) that the Targeted Compliance Framework is unjustifiably harsh and resulting in some women living in fear under the constant threat that a payment might be suspended or cancelled, and
 - (iv) that the overwhelming evidence presented to the Senate inquiry into the program recommended that ParentsNext not continue in its current form;
- (b) recognises that over 700,000 children are living in poverty, and half of households receiving a parenting payment live in poverty; and
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to make the ParentsNext program voluntary, abandon the Targeted Compliance Framework and implement the recommendations of the recent Senate inquiry into the program.

1461 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the current Government's recent announcement that to meet its Paris Agreement greenhouse emissions reduction commitment it will rely on so-called 'surplus units' from the first and second Kyoto commitment periods, otherwise known as 'carryover credits'; and
- (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, by no later than 9.30 am on 10 April 2019, a copy of all correspondence or documents within the Minister's or the Department of the Environment's possession relating to the use of these surplus units or carryover credits to meet Australia's Paris Agreement commitments.

1462 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the Senate rejects the use of Kyoto carry-over credits and the use of international offsets to meet Australia's climate change targets.

1463 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to regulate the Commonwealth's accounting for the purposes of Australia's climate change target under the Paris Agreement, and for related purposes. ***National Climate Reporting (Preventing Climate Accounting Tricks) Bill 2019.***

1464 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That—

(1) The House of Representatives and the Senate have reached agreement on a Code of Conduct which is to apply to all members of Parliament. This Code applies to members in all aspects of their public life, but does not seek to regulate what members do in their purely private and personal lives.

(2) Members of Parliament recognise that they are in a unique position of responsibility in influencing the nature of civic conduct in Australia.

(3) Members of Parliament recognise that their words and actions in the Senate and the House of Representatives influence issues in the public debate. These include issues relating to multicultural affairs, migration and citizenship, gender equality and professional conduct in the workplace.

(4) Members of Parliament acknowledge that parliamentary privilege protects the right of members to participate freely in debate in the Parliament without fear of prosecution.

(5) Members of Parliament recognise the need to exercise their valuable right of freedom of speech in a responsible manner and a failure to do so may have serious implications for individuals and groups of the Australian community and may diminish the social cohesion that is essential to our national character.

The Code

1. Uphold the honour of public office

Members of Parliament will take all reasonable steps to uphold the honour of public office and act in a manner that is consistent with the values of respect and inclusion.

Members shall at all times conduct themselves in a manner which will tend to maintain and strengthen the public's trust and confidence in the integrity of Parliament and never undertake any action which would bring the Senate, House of Representatives, or its Members generally, into disrepute. This includes behaviour and language during parliamentary proceedings, including interactions with parliamentary and electorate officer staff.

2. First Peoples of Australia, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

Members of Parliament recognise the value and contribution of the First Peoples of Australia, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Members of Parliament recognise that with the exception of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, Australia is a nation of migrants.

3. Respect Australians' diversity

Members of Parliament recognise that Australia has been enriched by the diversity of ethnicities, culture and religious belief that exists within our nation.

Members of Parliament recognise that principles including respect for religious and cultural diversity, tolerance, and justice should be upheld in parliamentary debate in a respectful manner.

Members of Parliament recognise that the Australian Parliament, including the Senate and House of Representatives chamber, is the primary workplace for elected representatives.

Elected representatives should be free from bullying, harassment or abuse of any kind in their workplace, including such acts based on ethnicity, race, religion or culture.

4. Respect gender equality and diversity

Members of Parliament recognise that women and LGBTIQ+ individuals are more likely to experience inequality and discrimination in the workplace.

Members of Parliament recognise that the Australian Parliament, including the Senate and House of Representatives chamber, is the primary workplace for elected representatives.

Elected representatives should be free from bullying, harassment or abuse of any kind in their workplace, including such acts based on gender, gender identity or sexuality.

5. Reject discriminatory or exclusionary statements

Members of Parliament will not knowingly humiliate or degrade an individual or community based on their national or ethnic origin, culture, religious belief, disability, gender, gender identity or sexual orientation.

This includes acts which are intended to incite hatred or create fear of a community.

6. Reporting and enforcement of this code

If a senator breaches the code of conduct the President may report to the Senate that the senator has committed an offence.

If an offence has been committed by a senator in a committee of the whole, the chairman may suspend the proceedings of the committee and report the offence to the President.

A senator who has been reported as having committed an offence shall attend in the senator's place and be called upon to make an explanation or apology.

If such an explanation or apology is not deemed acceptable by the Senate then a motion may be moved that the senator be suspended from the Senate.

The suspension of a senator on the first occasion shall be for the remainder of that day's sitting, on the second occasion for 7 sitting days, and on the third or any subsequent occasion for 14 sitting days, where such suspensions occur within the same calendar year.

A senator who has been suspended shall not enter the chamber during the period of the suspension. If a senator enters the chamber during the senator's suspension, the President shall order the Usher of the Black Rod to remove the senator from the chamber.

1465 **Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale):** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Fair Work Act 2009*, and for related purposes. ***Fair Work Amendment (Protecting the Right of Return to Work After Running for Parliament) Bill 2019.***

1466 **Senator Anning:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that 24 April 2019 marks the 104th anniversary of the Armenian genocide in which 1.5 million Christian Armenians were systematically murdered by the Muslim government of Turkey;
- (b) expresses its condolences to and solidarity with the Armenian people, including, in particular, members of the Armenian community in Australia; and
- (c) condemns the refusal of the current Turkish Muslim government to recognise this crime against humanity, apologise to the Armenian people and make reparations to the descendants of the victims.

1467 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the laws calling for the torture and punishment of LGBTIQ+ people in Brunei, including non-citizens, are inhumane and in violation of humanitarian values,
 - (ii) the government of Brunei's treatment of the LGBTIQ+ community, as well their move to equate homosexuality with atrocities such as rape, must be met with adequate international backlash, and

- (iii) the government of Brunei's lack of response to the international outcry against similar policies in 2014 shows that a stronger approach is needed in order to lead to effective change; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to:
 - (i) work with other nations on a United Nations resolution condemning the Brunei government's actions,
 - (ii) take gay and bisexual people who seek refuge from Brunei in Australia,
 - (iii) update Smart Traveller references to Brunei, and
 - (iv) review our diplomatic relationship with Brunei.

1468 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) 31 March 2019 was Transgender Day of Visibility,
 - (ii) Transgender Day of Visibility is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions that trans and gender-diverse people have made to our communities, and to provide them a platform to share their stories openly and without fear, and
 - (iii) this year's theme is 'Be Seen', which recognises the importance of trans and gender-diverse visibility, especially for trans people of colour, first nations trans people, non-binary people and those with disabilities; and
- (b) calls on all parliamentarians to:
 - (i) use their platform to recognise and celebrate the variety of contributions that trans and gender-diverse people have made,
 - (ii) commit to elevating the diverse voices and stories of trans and gender-diverse people in their communities, as well as in this Parliament,
 - (iii) acknowledge the necessity of providing trans and gender-diverse people with culturally appropriate resources and services, and
 - (iv) support the provision of essential health, social, cultural and community services for trans and gender-diverse people and their families.

1469 **Senator Rice:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Mr Littleproud, acknowledges that:
 - (i) logging native forests is unsustainable, and
 - (ii) curbing native forest logging to harvest carbon credits "seems as though it is common sense," citing concerns over the future of the Australian beekeeping industry and the knock-on impacts for farmers; and
- (b) calls on the Morrison Government to:
 - (i) scrap the Regional Forest Agreements immediately,
 - (ii) end logging of native forests on public land, and
 - (iii) transition wood production in Australia to 100% from sustainable plantations from the current 88%.

1470 **Senator O'Neill:** To move—That the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee invite Messrs Andrew Burnes and Russell Carstensen to appear and give evidence during the examination of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade at the 2019-20 Budget estimates hearings on Friday, 5 April 2019, relating to the operations of Helloworld, and evidence at the 2018-19 additional estimates concerning the conduct of Australia's Ambassador to the United States of America, Mr Hockey, and related matters.

1471 **Senator McKim:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) in Tasmania, industrial salmon farms are:
 - (A) expanding at an unprecedented rate, often without any transparency or accountability to the public; having tripled in size over the past decade, the Tasmanian salmon farming industry has plans to double again by 2030,
 - (B) negatively affecting other aquaculture industries and operations downstream of them, and recreational fishing in the proximity,
 - (C) killing off native habitats and marine life or, in the cases of seal culls, native marine life is being killed off, and
 - (D) creating navigational hazards – from both moored structures and loose debris – for watercraft, and a loss of amenity (and sometimes income) for local residents, tourism operators and tourists,

- (ii) the salmon farming industry in Tasmania has been plagued by a disregard of science and/or natural values along with poor governance, which has led to:
 - (A) a reinstatement of zombie (long-inoperative) leases without any assessments or consultation,
 - (B) losses of Aquaculture Stewardship Council certifications,
 - (C) government documents being drafted by private interests, and
 - (D) privatisation of vast tracts of public waters, and
- (iii) in November 2018, the Tasmania's Marine Farming Review Panel's two marine scientists resigned in protest, because:
 - (A) the panel was not serving the best interests of the state, and
 - (B) the panel is, as currently structured and within the confines of the legislation, inherently compromised; and
- (b) supports a moratorium on expansion of fish farming in Tasmania until a federal regulator is established to provide consistent, effective and transparent oversight of fish farming and aquaculture, or until the government releases a detailed plan of where farms should go and gives the public a real say in decision-making.

1472 **Senator McKim:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) that since 2012, the Mount Wellington Cable Car company has been attempting to construct a cable car on kunanyi/Mount Wellington, in Hobart, Tasmania,
 - (ii) concerns that the link road will impact the rare forest habitat of threatened flora and fauna listed under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*,
 - (iii) that this development has been opposed by:
 - (A) the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre,
 - (B) the Wellington Park Management Trust,
 - (C) the Hobart City Council, which voted against any cable car infrastructure being built on council land,
 - (D) the Cascade Brewery, owned by Carlton & United Breweries, which ruled out selling or leasing any of its land to the development, and
 - (E) thousands of Hobartians who have signed petitions, attended rallies and lodged submissions opposing the development's application and masterplan,
 - (iv) that to circumvent opposition that could block the development, the Tasmanian Liberal Government introduced the *Cable Car (kunanyi/Mount Wellington) Facilitation Act 2017*, which:
 - (A) exempts the cable car project from the landowner consent requirements for public land,
 - (B) allows land within Wellington Park and airspace required for the project to be acquired,
 - (C) removes the need for Council consent to the acquisition,
 - (D) allows the Minister to grant access for planning activities, and
 - (E) prohibits any acquired land being sold to the proponent, and
 - (v) that on 13 February 2019, the Tasmanian Liberal Government further circumvented the will of the Hobart City Council and its constituents by granting the Wellington Cableway Company authority to access council land and carry out works that will include drilling up to 32 bore holes, and removing flora and fauna; and
- (b) opposes the construction of a cable car on kunanyi/Mount Wellington.

1473 **Senator Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) that the Environmental Protection Authority of Western Australia (the Authority) is supposed to be an independent authority that provides independent, public advice to the Minister for the Environment,
 - (ii) in March 2019, the Authority released updated guidelines on mitigating greenhouse gas emissions from new or expanding projects, suggesting proposals with direct emissions above 100,000 tonnes a year of carbon dioxide equivalent should be fully offset, and
 - (iii) the Authority abandoned the recommendation to the state Government that new emissions intensive projects should be carbon neutral following intense lobbying of the Western Australian State Premier by the fossil fuel industry, including Perth-based company Woodside;

- (b) recognises that we are in a climate emergency and that the IPCC have warned that we only have 12 years to limit catastrophic climate change; and
- (c) condemns the Western Australian Government for bowing to pressure from the oil and gas sector.

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*1474 **Senators Farrell and Brown:** To move—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Special Olympics is a global movement that focuses on the importance of social inclusion and the need for more support for people living with disability;
- (b) records its congratulations for the 106 athletes who represented Australia at the Special Olympics held in Abu Dhabi from 8 to 21 March 2019;
- (c) notes that the Australian team won 42 gold medals, 44 silver medals, 55 bronze medals, and a further 42 awards for placing 4-8 in Olympic events;
- (d) thanks the many families, trainers, supporters and sponsors of the Australian Special Olympics team; and
- (e) notes that Special Olympics Australia has been operating for more than 40 years, promoting positive community attitudes towards disability, sport for all Australians and providing people with intellectual disability with opportunities to take part in a range of sports at various levels of competition all year round.

Orders of the day

1 Law and Justice—Racial Discrimination Act—Section 18C

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Moore—That the Senate notes that the Prime Minister (Mr Turnbull) has repeatedly said making changes to section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act is ‘not a priority’ but has refused to rule them out (*Senator Cameron, in continuation, 1 September 2016*).

2 Administration—Commonwealth procurement rules

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Griff—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the value of Commonwealth Government procurement contracts in the 2014-2015 financial year was more than \$59 billion,
 - (ii) the current Commonwealth Procurement Rules fail to take into account the social and economic effects of buying and procuring Australian made goods and local services,
 - (iii) asbestos has been found in building products imported into Australia as part of projects funded by governments, and
 - (iv) it was disclosed this week, that in April 2015, the Department of Defence awarded a \$9 million contract for non-combat uniforms for the Australian Defence Force to a company that will have the uniforms made overseas rather than Australia; and
- (b) calls on the Government to amend the Commonwealth Procurement Rules, in order to take into account:
 - (i) the economic, social and environmental effects of local procurement, including employment outcomes, tax receipts and economic growth,
 - (ii) the need for Australian Standards to be complied with in any procurement decision, and
 - (iii) whole of life benefits of a local procurement (*15 September 2016*).

3 Children—Victoria—Child protection

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)—That the Senate notes that—

- (a) seventeen children in the care of the Department of Health and Human Services in Victoria died between July and September this year;

- (b) six children who were Department of Health and Human Services clients in Victoria were killed by ‘non-accidental trauma’ last year; and
- (c) outsourcing the care and welfare of our most vulnerable children should be reviewed (*Senator Lines, in continuation, 1 December 2016*).

4 Transport—Western Australia—Perth Freight Link—Non-compliance statement—Order for production of document

Adjourned debate on the motion—That the Senate take note of the statement (*Senator Lines, in continuation, 14 February 2017*).

5 Energy policy

Adjourned debate—That the Senate notes Australia’s energy crisis, its impact on consumers, businesses and the broader economy, and the need for urgent and effective responses (*Senator Williams, in continuation, 15 June 2017*).

6 Energy policy

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Cameron—That the Senate—

- (a) notes Government policy inaction is driving up electricity prices, and a Clean Energy Target is the solution to crippling policy paralysis;
- (b) observes that the Government refuses to act, citing any and all excuse to delay, when everyone knows it is internal Coalition division and the weakness of the Prime Minister that are really to blame; and
- (c) recognises that Australians deserve real leadership on energy and it is clearer every day that they will not get it from Prime Minister Turnbull (*7 September 2017*).

7 Voluntary assisted dying legislation

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)—That the Senate—

- (a) congratulates Victoria on the recent passage of voluntary assisted dying legislation;
- (b) encourages all Australian states to follow suit; and
- (c) calls upon the Federal Government to respect the wishes of the residents of all Australian territories with regards to dying with dignity (*Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan, in continuation, 30 November 2017*).

8 School funding—South Australia and Tasmania

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges that the \$210 million funding cut to South Australian schools and \$68 million in Tasmanian schools, in 2018 and 2019, means that schools will face significant cuts; and
- (b) calls on the Australian Government to immediately reinstate the funding previously committed to South Australian and Tasmanian schools (*Senator Gallacher, in continuation, 15 February 2018*).

9 Asbestos—National management and disposal plan

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the urgent need to establish an effective, safe means of eradicating asbestos from our community which does not result in landfill contamination, which in itself becomes an environmental hazard; and
- (b) calls on the Government to co-ordinate a national asbestos management and disposal plan (*Senator Williams, in continuation, 22 March 2018*).

10 Use of 1080 poison

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Leader of Derryn Hinch's Justice Party (Senator Hinch)—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) Pure Compound Sodium Fluoroacetate ('1080') poison is classified by the World Health Organization as a Class I(a) poison – their highest rating for toxicity,
 - (ii) in Australia, 1080 is listed as a schedule 7 poison, surpassed only by addictive, illicit and other prohibited substances, and is considered a chemical of security concern by the Australian Government
 - (iii) despite most other countries adopting alternative, more humane, pest-management strategies, Australia and New Zealand account for the vast majority of 1080 use worldwide,
 - (iv) 1080 poison is a cruel alternative to other known methods of pest control, including poisons with effective antidotes, and
 - (v) 1080 poison is aerially distributed across Australia, including often untracked use throughout national parks, leaving other species and domesticated animals susceptible to agonising deaths that can last as long as five days; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to regulate for the orderly phase-out of 1080 poison. (16 August 2018).

11 Energy policy

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Cameron—That the Senate—

- (a) express its disappointment in the Turnbull Government for its chaotic and disunified approach to energy policy; and
- (b) notes that the Prime Minister's compromise policy on the National Energy Guarantee will not see a single renewable energy project built for a decade, an energy plan that will see the rates of installation of rooftop solar cut by a half, and an energy plan that will channel billions and billions of taxpayers' money to building new coal-fired power stations (*Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 16 August 2018*).

12 Energy policy

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Lines—That the Senate—

- (a) notes Government policy inaction is driving up electricity prices, and abandoning the National Energy Guarantee, as the Government has done this week, is only the latest in a long line of government failure to deliver national energy policy;
- (b) observes that the Government refuses to act, citing any and all excuse to delay, when everyone knows it is internal Coalition division and the weakness of the Prime Minister that are really to blame; and
- (c) recognises that Australians deserve real leadership on energy, and it is clearer every day that they will not get it from this Coalition Government (*Senator Watt, in continuation, 23 August 2018*).

13 Energy policy

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Singh—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) the Morrison Government's complete capitulation to the hard right of the Liberal and National Parties by abandoning emission reduction as a goal of energy policy, and its refusal to legislate the Paris Climate Change Agreement Targets,
 - (ii) comments by former Prime Minister, Mr Turnbull, who stated at his final press conference "in terms of energy policy and climate policy, I think the truth is that the Coalition finds it very hard to get agreement on anything to do with emissions. That's the truth", and
 - (iii) that the Abbott-Turnbull-Morrison Government policy inaction is driving up electricity prices, and that solutions, including an Emissions Intensity Scheme, a Clean Energy Target and a National Energy Guarantee, have given way to crippling policy paralysis;
- (b) observes that the Abbott -Turnbull-Morrison Government refuses to act, citing any and all excuses to delay, when everyone knows it is internal Coalition division and weakness of leadership that are really to blame;
- (c) agrees Australia must cut carbon pollution by 45 per cent on 2005 levels by 2030, and reach net zero emissions by 2050, consistent with Climate Change Authority recommendations regarding our

obligations under the Paris Accords of keeping global warming to well below 2 degrees above pre-industrial levels; and

- (d) recognises, that in order to drive down prices and pollution, Australians need and deserve real leadership on energy and it is clearer every day that they will not get it from the Abbott-Turnbull-Morrison Government (13 September 2018).

14 Free trade agreements

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Patrick—That the Senate notes the importance of protecting Australian jobs, skills, industries and sovereignty when negotiating, and agreeing to, free trade agreements (*Assistant Minister for Defence, Senator Fawcett, in continuation, 13 September 2018*).

15 Free trade agreements—Order for the production of documents—Failure to comply—Explanation

Adjourned debate on the motion of Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—Pursuant to the order of 4 December 2018, the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) provided an explanation of the failure to comply with Senate order of continuing effect no. 20 relating to free trade agreements. (5 December 2018).

16 Murray-Darling Basin

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Hanson-Young—

- (1) That the Senate:
 - (a) notes with alarm:
 - (i) the crisis that has unfolded in Menindee Lakes over the summer with unprecedented fish deaths,
 - (ii) the Productivity Commission report into the implementation of the Murray Darling Basin Plan,
 - (iii) the findings of the South Australian Murray Darling Basin Royal Commission, and
 - (iv) the 1500GL cap on water buybacks for environmental watering; and
 - (b) is of the opinion that the cap on water buybacks be repealed.
- (2) That so much of standing order 111 be suspended, as would prevent Senator Pratt moving, at 6 pm today—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Water Act 2007*, and for related purposes. **Water Amendment (Purchase Limit Repeal) Bill 2019** (*Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann, in continuation, 12 February 2019*).

Questions on notice

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