



Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 25 June 2012

The Senate met from 10.00 am until 10.28 pm

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bill was introduced

- ❑ Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012 [passed by the House of Representatives on 25 June 2012]

The following bills were passed

- ❑ Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2012-2013 and 2 related bills [[first speaker](#)] [The bills will now be assented to]
- ❑ Australian Human Rights Commission Amendment (National Children's Commissioner) Bill 2012 [[first speaker](#)] [The bill will now be assented to]
- ❑ Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012 [[first speaker](#)] [The bill will now be assented to]
- ❑ Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012 [[first speaker](#)] [The bill will now be assented to]
- ❑ Clean Energy Legislation Amendment Bill 2012 and 2 related bills [[first speaker](#)] [The bills will now be assented to]

The following bills were debated

- ❑ Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Stronger Super) Bill 2012 and a related bill—second reading debate commenced [[first speaker](#)]

[Notice of motion to introduce a private senator's bill](#)

- ❑ Broadcasting Services Amendment (Public Interest Test) Bill 2012—notice given by Senator Ludlam

Messages from the House of Representatives reported

- ❑ Corporations Amendment (Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2012 and a related bill—agreeing to the amendments made by the Senate to the bills [The bills will now be assented to]

Bills assented to

[Assent](#) to a number of laws was reported in the Senate.

See **Committees** for details of reports relating to legislation

Committees

[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)

[Committee reports](#)

Reports tabled

Reports on legislation

- Broadcasting Services Amendment (Improved Access to Television Services) Bill 2012–Environment and Communications Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#)
- Clean Energy Finance Corporation Bill 2012–Economics Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#)
- Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2012–Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#)
- Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#) [a motion to take note of the report was debated – [first speaker](#)]
- Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#)

Other report

- National Broadband Network Joint Committee–Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network–Third report [\[report\]](#) [a [motion](#) to take note of the report was agreed to]

[Notices of motion](#)

To refer a matter to a committee

- Allowance payment systems–Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee–to report by 1 November 2012–notice given by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne)

To hold meetings when the Senate is sitting

- Cyber Safety Joint Select Committee–15 August 2012 from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm–public meeting
- Law Enforcement Joint Committee–27 June and 22 August from 5.30 pm–private meetings
- Migration Joint Committee–15 August 2012 from 10.30 am to 11.30 am–public meeting

To extend reporting deadlines

- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee–Infrastructure delivery and engineering skills shortages–to report by 12 July 2012

- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Procurement procedures for defence capital projects—to report by 23 August 2012

Membership

The Senate agreed to appoint Senator Whish-Wilson as a participating member of all legislation and references committees.

Documents

Delegated legislation

See [Disallowance Alert](#) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

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

Orders for the production of documents

Motion agreed to

The Senate [ordered](#) the Minister representing the Assistant Treasurer (Senator Wong) to table correspondence between ASIC and the Financial Ombudsman Service in relation to changes in the terms of reference for the Financial Ombudsman Service—no later than noon on 28 June 2012.

Documents tabled

- [2 petitions](#)
- Auditor-General—[Audit reports](#) nos 49 and 50 of 2011-12
- Original certificate of the choice by the Parliament of Tasmania of Senators Thorp and Whish-Wilson

Other business

[Questions without notice and issues arising during question time—first question](#)
[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

Motions agreed to

- [Meniere's Australia](#)—moved by Senators Edwards and Di Natale
- [Women's suffrage in Australia](#)—moved by Senators Hanson-Young and Moore

Motion negatived

- [Foreign aid budget](#)—moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne) and Senator Rhiannon

Matter of public importance discussed

- [Border protection policy](#)—proposed by Senator Fifield [[first speaker](#)]

Notices of motion

[Notices of motion](#) given today are available in the Senate Journals.

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