

Senate Daily Summary

Wednesday, 3 February 2016

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.50 pm

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bill was debated

Social Security Legislation Amendment (Further Strengthening Job Seeker Compliance) Bill 2015—second reading debate commenced [[first speaker](#)]

The following bills were debated and passed

- Aged Care Amendment (Red Tape Reduction in Places Management) Bill 2015 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][–bill passed without amendments](#) [the bill will now be assented to]
- Food Standards Australia New Zealand Amendment (Forum on Food Regulation and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][–bill passed with Government and Opposition amendments–AG and Opposition amendments were not agreed to](#) [the House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]
- Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Amendment (Inter-State Voyages) Bill 2015 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][–bill passed without amendments](#) [the bill will now be assented to]
- Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Exit Arrangements) Bill 2015 [second reading – [first speaker](#)][–bill passed without amendments](#) [the bill will now be assented to] [Senator Moore made a [statement](#) relating to the bill]

Bills introduced

- Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Radio) Bill 2015 [passed by the House of Representatives 2 February 2016] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]
- Migration Amendment (Complementary Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [passed by the House of Representatives 2 February 2016] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Cessation of Visa Labels) Bill 2015 [passed by the House of Representatives 2 February 2016] [Minister's second reading speech]



Committees

Scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

[Committee reports](#)

Reports and documents tabled

- Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee—Omnibus Repeal Day (Spring 2015) Bill 2015 [[report](#)]
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Crimes Legislation Amendment (Proceeds of Crime and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [[report](#)]
- Human Rights Joint Committee—33rd [report](#) of 44th Parliament
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Work undertaken by the Australian Federal Police’s Oil for Food Taskforce—[Response](#) to report
- Regulations and Ordinances Committee—Delegated legislation [monitor](#) no. 1 of 2016
- Scrutiny of Bills Committee—1st [report](#) and [alert digest](#) no. 1 of 2016

Meetings during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate authorised meetings of committees to be held while the Senate is sitting [Journals entries nos [3](#), [22](#), [23](#), and [24](#) refer]

Membership

- A [message](#) was reported from the House of Representatives notifying the discharge of members from joint committees
- The Senate [agreed](#) to vary the membership of committees

New inquiry

[Alcohol fuelled violence](#)—Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—to report by 30 June 2016

Reporting date extended

The Senate [extended](#) the reporting date for an inquiry of the Economics References Committee

[Notices of motion](#)

To establish a select committee

School Funding Investment Select Committee—to report by 30 August 2016—notice given by Senator Dastyari

To refer a matter to a committee

Collapse of listed retailers in Australia—Economics References Committee—to report by 12 May 2016—notice given by Senator Xenophon

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]

Disallowance motions

[Notice](#) of intention to withdraw

The Chair of the Regulations and Ordinances Committee (Senator Williams) gave a notice of intention to withdraw a notice to disallow the Removal of Prisoners (Territories) Regulation 2015 [[F2015L01524](#)]

[Notice](#) of motion to disallow given

Senator Siewert gave a notice of motion to disallow the Social Security (Administration) (Trial Area – Ceduna and Surrounding Region) Determination 2015 [[F2015L01836](#)]

Orders for the production of documents

[Document](#) tabled

Document relating to the training undertaken by public servants for estimates hearings [The document was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on 30 November 2015]

Orders with continuing effect

Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies

[Letters of advice](#) were tabled [Lists of appointments made and existing vacancies are required to be tabled 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

Departmental and agency grants

[Letters of advice](#) were tabled [Lists of all grants approved are required to be tabled 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

Departmental and agency unanswered questions on notice—Estimates hearings

[Statements](#) were tabled [Letters of advice in relation to questions taken on notice are required to be tabled by not later than 10 days before the commencement of the budget estimates, supplementary budget estimates and additional estimates hearings]

[Documents](#) tabled

- 1 [petition](#)

Other business

Senators' statements – [first speaker](#)

Questions without notice and issues arising during question time – [first question](#)

Adjournment debate – [first speaker](#)

Matter of public importance discussed

Administration–[Turnbull Government](#)–proposed by Senator Siewert [[first speaker](#)]

Motions agreed to

- Administration–[Order of Australia recipients](#)–moved by Senators Smith, Reynolds, Johnston, Cormann, Back and Cash
- Family and community services–[Centrelink–Service delivery](#)–moved by Senators Siewert and Cameron [a [statement](#) was made]
- Health–[Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month](#)–moved by Senators Polley and Bilyk
- Regional Australia–[South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia–Bushfires](#)–moved by Senators Back, Reynolds and Smith [a [statement](#) was made]
- Regional Australia–[Western Australia–Bushfires](#)–moved by Senators Wang, Cash, Bullock, Sterle, Siewert, Lines, Ludlam, Cormann, Smith and Back
- Transport–[Funding of infrastructure projects](#)–moved by Senators Ludlam and Sterle [statements were made – [first speaker](#)]
- Women–[Sex Discrimination Commissioner–Appointment](#)–moved by Senators Waters and Moore

Motion negatived

Transport–[Gold Coast Airport Instrument Landing System](#)–moved by Senator Rhiannon [a [statement](#) was made]

Questions on notice–Answers and explanation

Senator Ludlam [asked](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development (Senator Colbeck) for an explanation of answers not being provided to [questions placed on notice](#). Senator Colbeck provided a [response](#). A [motion](#) moved by Senator Ludlam to take note of the response was debated and agreed to [and later in the day Senator Colbeck made a [statement](#) relating to the matter]

Notices of motion

[Further notices of motion](#) given today are available in the Senate Journals

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