



Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 3 December 2013

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 9.46 pm

Legislation

[Bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

Grape and Wine Legislation Amendment (Australian Grape and Wine Authority) Bill 2013

Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment (Australian Grape and Wine Authority) Bill 2013

Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment (Australian Grape and Wine Authority) Bill 2013

[bills passed by the House of Representatives on 2 December 2013] [[Minister's second reading speech](#)]

The following bill was debated

Clean Energy Finance Corporation (Abolition) Bill 2013—second reading debate commenced [[first speaker](#)]-Opposition second reading amendment to be determined

The following private senators' bills were restored to the Notice Paper

- Fair Trade (Australian Standards) Bill 2013 [[homepage](#)]
- Poker Machine Harm Reduction (\$1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [2013] [[homepage](#)]

Committees

[Scheduled public committee hearings](#)
[Committee reports](#)

Document tabled

Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 and a related bill—Education and Employment Legislation Committee—Correction to report

Meeting during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate [authorised](#) the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee to hold private briefings during the sitting of the Senate on 9 and 10 December 2013

Proposed references

- The Senate commenced debate on a motion to refer the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2013 to the Education and Employment References Committee [the matter will continue on a future sitting day] [[first speaker](#)]
- The Senate did not agree to refer a matter to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (relating to the Senate voting system)

[Notices of motion](#) given

- Setting hearing and reporting dates for the 2013-14 additional and 2014-15 Budget estimates
- To amend the resolution of appointment of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters

To refer matters to committees

- Fair Trade (Workers' Rights) Bill 2013–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–to report by 4 March 2014–notice given by Senator Madigan [inquiry not disposed of at the end of the 43rd Parliament]
- Re-establishing the Australian Building and Construction Commission through the Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 and related bills–to report by the last sitting day in March 2014–Education and Employment References Committee–notice given by Senator Cameron
- Tax Laws Amendment (Research and Development) Bill 2013–Economics References Committee–to report by 17 March 2014–notice given by Senator Carr

Membership

The Senate agreed to [various changes](#) to committee memberships

Documents

Delegated legislation

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

A [Clerk's document](#) was tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

Orders for the production of documents

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed that the Minister representing the Minister for Communications table the Strategic Review of the rollout of the National Broadband Network—no later than noon on 9 December 2013 [a [statement](#) was made]

The Senate agreed that the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash) comply with the existing order of the Senate concerning asylum seekers—no later than 5 pm on 4 December 2013 [a [statement](#) was made]

[Notice of motion](#)

Senator Whish-Wilson gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for Trade and Investment (Senator Cormann) to table the final Trans-Pacific Partnership plurilateral free trade agreement

Order with continuing effect

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the Internet

[A statement of compliance](#) for the Australian Taxation Office was tabled [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies are required to be tabled twice a year]

Documents tabled

- [2 petitions](#), and a petitioning document
- [Government documents](#) [[and considered](#)]

Other business

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

Days of meeting

The Senate debated and agreed to a motion establishing the sitting days for 2014 [[first speaker](#)]

Motions agreed to

- Education—[Schools funding](#)—moved by Senator Wright [a [statement](#) was made]
- Foreign affairs—[Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and malaria](#)—moved by Senator Rhiannon [a [statement](#) was made]
- Health—[World AIDS Day](#)—moved by Senators Pratt and Smith
- Social issues—[International Day of Persons with Disability](#)—moved by Senators Siewert, Boyce and Moore and the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)
- Women—[White Ribbon Day](#)—moved by the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash) and Senators Moore and Rhiannon

Motion negated

- Administration—[Political donations](#)—moved by Senator Rhiannon

Matter of public importance discussed

Education—Schools funding—proposed by Senator Moore [[first speaker](#)]

Notices of motion

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

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