



Senate Daily Summary

No. 46/2018

Thursday, 18 October 2018

The Senate met from 9.30am to 6.09pm

Bills

Introduced

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2018 Measures No. 5\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Black Economy Taskforce Measures No. 2\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Excise Tariff Amendment \(Collecting Tobacco Duties at Manufacture\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

Considered

- [Social Security Legislation Amendment \(Community Development Program\) Bill 2018](#)
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- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(Ending the Poverty Trap\) Bill 2018](#) [private senators' bill]
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- [Discrimination Free Schools Bill 2018](#) [private senators' bill]
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Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendment

- [Government Procurement \(Judicial Review\) Bill 2017](#)
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- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Lower Taxes for Small and Medium Businesses\) Bill 2018](#)
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- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Gift Cards\) Bill 2018](#)
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- [Customs Amendment \(Collecting Tobacco Duties at the Border\) Bill 2018](#)
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- [Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment \(Omnibus\) Bill 2018](#)
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- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Australian Consumer Law Review\) Bill 2018](#)
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These bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Defeated

- [Plebiscite \(Restricting Non-European Migration\) Bill 2018](#) [private senator's bill]

The bill was negatived at the first reading

Messages

The House of Representatives agreed to the following bill without amendment:

- [Civil Law and Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2018](#)

This bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Committees

New inquiries

- The Senate adopted [report no. 12 of 2018](#) of the [Selection of Bills Committee](#) and made the following references:
 - [Higher Education Support \(Charges\) Bill 2018](#) and the [Higher Education Support Amendment \(Cost Recovery\) Bill 2018](#) referred to the [Education and Employment Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 23 November 2018
 - [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Making Sure Every State and Territory Gets Their Fair Share of GST\) Bill 2018](#) referred to the [Economics Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 8 November 2018
 - [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Making Sure Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share of Tax in Australia and Other Measures\) Bill 2018](#) referred to the [Economics Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 3 December 2018
- Foreign influence transparency scheme for parliamentarians referred to the [Privileges Committee](#) for inquiry and report
- Temporary skilled visa system referred to the [Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee](#) for inquiry and report by the first sitting day of March 2019

Reports tabled

- [183rd report](#) Treaties Joint Committee
- [The Commitment to the Senate issued by the Business Council of Australia](#) Economics References Committee
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- [My Health Record system](#) Community Affairs References Committee
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Reporting dates extended

- [Mental health of first responders, emergency workers and volunteers](#) extended to second sitting Wednesday in February 2019
- [Air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities](#) extended to 27 June 2019
- [Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances \(PFAS\) contamination](#) extended to 3 December 2018
- [Oversight of the implementation of redress related recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse](#) extended to the second last sitting day of March 2019

Documents produced

- [Response](#) to an order agreed to on [16 October 2018](#) for documents relating to financial sector entities to be provided to the Economics Legislation Committee

Membership

- [Variations were agreed to](#)

[See also committee membership page](#)

Documents

Tabled documents

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

To view individual instruments visit www.legislation.gov.au and search using the Federal Register of Legislation (FRL) number

- [Response](#) to a [question asked by Senator Farrell](#) during question time on 17 October 2018
- Senator Rice tabled a petitioning document regarding discrimination in schools

Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to the Community Development Program agreed to on [16 October 2016](#)

Other business

Motions

Agreed to

- [Mr Peter Norman](#) moved by Senators Farrell and Moore
- [Grandparents as primary carers](#) moved by Senators Dean Smith and Hinch
- [Crimes Legislation Amendment \(Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures\) Bill 2017—Consideration](#) moved by Senator Hinch
- [Australian Women in Music Awards](#) moved by Senator Moore
- [Tasmania—access to surgical abortions](#) moved by Senators Brown and Bilyk
- [Lead levels in Port Pirie](#) moved by Senator Hanson-Young
- [India](#) moved by Senator Singh
- [Republic referendum—19th anniversary](#) moved by Senator Bernardi

Negatived

- [Underground coal gasification](#) moved by Senator Hanson-Young
- [Banking and financial sector](#) moved by Senator Hanson

Denied formality

- [Palestine](#) moved by Senator Bernardi

Disallowance motions

Withdrawn

Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams) withdrew the following notices:

- Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Amendment (2018 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2018 [[F2018L00850](#)]
- Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety (Licence Charges) Amendment (2018 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2018 [[F2018L00851](#)]
- Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Education and Training Measures No. 2) Regulations 2018 [[F2018L00839](#)]
- Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Foreign Affairs and Trade Measures No. 1) Regulations 2018 [[F2018L00841](#)]
- Adult Disability Assessment Determination 2018 [[F2018L01106](#)]
- Criminal Code (Terrorist Organisation—Al-Shabaab) Regulations 2018 [[F2018L01082](#)]
- Federal Circuit Court Amendment (Costs and Other Measures) Rules 2018 [[F2018L01088](#)]
- Migration Amendment (Skilling Australians Fund) Regulations 2018 [[F2018L01093](#)]

Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	4
Bill introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bill introduced in the Senate – private senator's	0
Bills passed in the Senate	6
Bills negatived or discharged	1
Bills referred to committees	4
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