



# Senate Daily Summary

No. 9/2018

**Monday, 19 March 2018**

The Senate met from 10.00am to 10.18pm

## Senators

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- [Senator Storer](#) was sworn in as a senator for South Australia
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- The President tabled the [High Court's reasons for judgment in \*Re Lambie\*](#)
- The President tabled a [document from Australian Electoral Commission](#) in response to a Senate order regarding the [rotation of senators](#)



## Bills

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### Introduced

- [Appropriation Bill \(No. 3\) 2017-2018](#)  
[Appropriation Bill \(No. 4\) 2017-2018](#)
- [National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018](#)  
[National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation \(Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2017 Measures No. 5\) Bill 2017](#)  
[ASIC Supervisory Cost Recovery Levy Amendment Bill 2017](#)
- [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](#)
- [Bankruptcy Amendment \(Debt Agreement Reform\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Communications Legislation Amendment \(Deregulation and Other Measures\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Corporations Amendment \(Crowd-sourced Funding for Proprietary Companies\) Bill 2017](#)
- [Crimes Amendment \(National Disability Insurance Scheme—Worker Screening\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Imported Food Control Amendment \(Country of Origin\) Bill 2017](#)
- [Intelligence Services Amendment \(Establishment of the Australian Signals Directorate\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Migration and Other Legislation Amendment \(Enhanced Integrity\) Bill 2017](#)
- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(14-month Regional Independence Criteria\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2018 Measures No. 1\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Illicit Tobacco Offences\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Income Tax Consolidation Integrity\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(National Housing and Homelessness Agreement\) Bill 2018](#)
- [Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment \(Veteran-centric Reforms No. 1\) Bill 2018](#)

## Considered

- [Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017](#) [private senator's bill]
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- [Fair Work Amendment \(Gender Pay Gap\) Bill 2015](#) [private senator's bill]
  - ▶ [Watch the debate](#)     [Read the transcript](#)
- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(Welfare Reform\) Bill 2017](#)


Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Junior Minerals Exploration Incentive\) Bill 2017](#)
  - ▶ [Watch the debate](#)     [Read the transcript](#)

The House of Representatives will now consider the amendment requested by the Senate

## Passed

Without amendment

- [Appropriation Bill \(No. 3\) 2017-2018](#)  
[Appropriation Bill \(No. 4\) 2017-2018](#)
  - ▶ Watch the debate [[part one](#)] [[part two](#)]     Read the transcript [[part one](#)] [[part two](#)]

These bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

## Committees

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### New inquiry

- [Mental health services in rural and remote Australia](#) referred to the [Community Affairs References Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 17 October 2018

### Reports tabled

- [Airports Amendment Bill 2016](#) Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- [Copyright Amendment \(Service Providers\) Bill 2017](#) Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

### Reporting dates extended

- [Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2017 and related](#) bill extended to 28 March 2018
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Enhancing Whistleblower Protections\) Bill 2017](#) extended to 22 March 2018
- [Bankruptcy Amendment \(Enterprise Incentives\) Bill 2017](#) extended to 21 March 2018
- [Bankruptcy Amendment \(Debt Agreement Reform\) Bill 2018](#) extended to 21 March 2018

### Joint committee

- The Senate agreed to a House of Representatives resolution to establish a [joint select committee on constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples](#)

## Membership

- [A member was appointed to a joint committee](#)

[See also committee membership page](#)

## Documents

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### Tabled documents

- [Government documents and documents presented by the President](#) (includes documents presented since the Senate last sat)
- [Clerk's documents](#) [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

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

### Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing agreed to [on 14 February 2018](#)
- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to asylum seeker arrangements at West Lorengau Haus agreed to on [7 December 2017](#)

### Delegation reports

Reports tabled from Australian parliamentary delegations to the:

- [38th General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly](#)
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- [26th annual meeting of the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum](#)
  - ▶ [Watch the debate](#)      📄 [Read the transcript](#)

## Other business

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### Motions

Negatived

- [Sustainable economic growth in Australia](#) moved by Senator Hanson

### Statements

- Senators made statements regarding natural disasters
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## Statistics

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Bills received from the House of Representatives	21
Bill introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bill introduced in the Senate – private senator's	0
Bills passed in the Senate	2
Bills negated or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	2
Reports tabled	2
Notices of motion given	10
Divisions	9

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