

# The Senate

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

(Question time to be televised live and  
proceedings to be broadcast on radio  
from 5 pm)

2010-12/129

THURSDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2012

AT 9.30 am



1. **Prayers and acknowledgement of country**
2. **General business – orders of the day relating to private senators’ bills**
  - 51–Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Bioregional Plans) Bill 2011 – Resumption of second reading debate
  - 90–Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Excessive Noise from Wind Farms) Bill 2012 – Resumption of second reading debate

[Time limit: 2 hours and 20 minutes]
3. **Petitions**
4. **Notices of motion**

Senator Xenophon to withdraw business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1 for 13 sitting days after today (disallowance of the National Health (Weighted average disclosed price – interim supplementary disclosure cycle) Amendment Determination 2012 (No. 2)) [F2012L02147]
5. **Selection of Bills Committee**

Chair of the Selection of Bills Committee (Senator McEwen) to present report no. 16 of 2012 and move for its adoption
6. **Placing of business**

Opposition Whip (Senator Kroger), by leave, to move a motion for leave of absence for Senator Boswell

Postponement notifications

7. **Discovery of formal business**<sup>1</sup>

**Business of the Senate notices of motion**

2 – Parliamentary Secretary for Defence (Senator Feeney) – Approval of works within the Parliamentary Zone (removal and replacement of trees; the construction of bus shelters; the removal and replacement of a pedestrian and cycle crossing; the making permanent two existing temporary sculptures at the National Gallery of Australia; and the installation of three outdoor exhibits at Questacon)

3 – Senator Ludlam – Reference to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (transport of uranium oxide)

4 – Senator Di Natale – Reference to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee (Joint Expert Technical Advisory Committee on Antibiotic Resistance)

5 – Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee (Senator Wright) – Reference to the committee (court fees)

**Government business notice of motion**

1 – Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) – Variation – Hours of meeting and routine of business for today

**General business notices of motion**

1069 – Senator Rhiannon – Government transparency

1072 – Senator Fierravanti-Wells – Christian Assyrians in Iraq (notice of motion altered on 28 November 2012, pursuant to standing order 77)

1075 – Senator Singh – National asbestos awareness week

1079 – Senator Rhiannon – Human rights in Iran

1080 – Senators Xenophon, Fierravanti-Wells and Madigan – Chemotherapy drugs (notice of motion altered on 28 November 2012, pursuant to standing order 77)

8. **Tabling and consideration of committee reports** – pursuant to standing order 62(4)

Government Whip (Senator McEwen) to present additional information received by committees relating to estimates

Chair of the Standing Committee on Publications (Senator Brown) to present 22nd report and move for its adoption

Chair of the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee (Senator Back) to present report – The adequacy of the allowance payment system for jobseekers and others, the appropriateness of the allowance payment system as a support into work and the impact of the changing nature of the labour market

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<sup>1</sup> *If a notice of motion is declared formal it will be put and determined without amendment or debate. Any senator may object to a notice of motion being declared formal, in which case it will be listed for debate at a subsequent time*

Chair of the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests (Senator Bernardi) to present report – Code of conduct inquiry

Chair of the Standing Committee of Senators' Interests (Senator Bernardi) to present the register of senators' interests incorporating statements of registrable interests and notifications of alterations lodged between 27 June and 27 November 2012

Chairman of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Furner) to present a volume of correspondence – Scrutiny of delegated legislation for the period January to June 2012

[Time limit per speaker: 10 minutes  
Total time limit for all motions: 60 minutes]

9. **Messages from the House of Representatives**
10. **Order of business** – It is proposed to consider business in the following order –

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**Business of the Senate orders of the day**

1–Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee – Report – Allowance payment system<sup>Ω</sup>

2–Standing Committee of Senators' Interests – Report – Code of conduct inquiry<sup>Ω</sup>

**Not later than 12.45 pm**

11. **Government business**

**Notice of motion**

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<sup>Ω</sup> Unless tabled earlier today (see item 8)

## **Orders of the day**

- 1–[Wheat Export Marketing Amendment Bill 2012](#) – Resumption of second reading debate
- 2–[Treasury Legislation Amendment \(Unclaimed Money and Other Measures\) Bill 2012](#)  
– Resumption of second reading debate
- 3–[Customs Amendment \(Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation and Other Measures\) Bill 2012](#)  
[Customs Tariff Amendment \(Malaysia-Australia Free Trade Agreement Implementation\) Bill 2012](#)  
– Resumption of second reading debate

**At 2 pm**

12. **Questions**

13. **Motions to take note of answers**

[Time limit: 30 minutes]

14. **Ministerial statements**

15. **Government responses to parliamentary committee reports**

Minister to present the government's responses to the following reports:

- Environment and Communications References Committee – The adequacy of protections for the privacy of Australians online
- Joint Select Committee on Australia's Immigration Detention Network – Final report

16. **Tabling of documents**

**By President**

Report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports

Register of Senate senior executive officers' interests, incorporating notification of alterations lodged between 27 June and 27 November 2012

Report of the Australian parliamentary delegation to Pakistan, from 29 August to 2 September 2012

Commonwealth Ombudsman – Report for 2011-12 – Activities under Part V of the *Australian Federal Police Act 1979*

**By ministers**

Replacement explanatory memorandum – Maritime Powers Bill 2012

Document relating to an order for the production of documents – Murray-Darling Basin Draft Plan

**By senators tabling reports from committees**

**By Clerk** (delegated legislation)

[Time limit per speaker: 10 minutes  
Time limit per motion: 30 minutes  
Total time limit for all motions  
(items 14, 15 and 16): 60 minutes]

17. **Committee membership**, by leave

**Not later than 3.45 pm**

18. **Government business** continued (see item 11)

19. **Next meeting of Senate**

Manager of Government Business (Senator Collins) to move a motion relating to the next meeting of the Senate

20. **Leave of absence**

Manager of Government Business (Senator Collins) to move a motion to grant leave of absence to all senators

21. **Adjournment** proposed – 6.30 pm

22. **Adjournment** – 7.10 pm

ROSEMARY LAING  
**Clerk of the Senate**

Temporary chairs of committees on roster – Senators Furner, Bishop, Pratt, Bernardi, Fawcett and Boyce

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