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1 **MEETING OF SENATE**  
The Senate met at 9.30 am. The President (Senator the Honourable John Hogg) took the chair, read prayers and made an acknowledgement of country.

2 **GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS**  
The following documents were tabled:  
- Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—Quarterly report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2012.  

3 **CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION**  
The Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) amended government business notice of motion no. 1 by leave and, pursuant to notice, moved—That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:  
- Completion of Kakadu National Park (Koongarga Project Area Repeal) Bill 2013  
- Customs Amendment (Anti-Dumping Commission) Bill 2013.

Question put and passed.

4 **MARITIME POWERS BILL 2012**  
**MARITIME POWERS (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2012**  
Order of the day read for the further consideration of the bills in committee of the whole.

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**In the committee**

Consideration resumed of the bills—and of the amendments moved by Senator Brandis in respect of the Maritime Powers Bill 2012:**

- Clause 41, page 30 (line 5), omit “Australia”, substitute “Australia (which may include repelling vessels from the contiguous zone, or prohibiting vessels from entering or further entering the contiguous zone, or towing vessels to another place whether inside or outside the contiguous zone)”.
- Clause 41, page 30 (line 24), omit “chased without interruption”, substitute “towed or chased without interruption”.
- Clause 54, page 38 (line 8), omit “Note:”, substitute “Note 1:”.
- Clause 54, page 38 (after line 9), at the end of subsection (1) (after the note), add:  
  
  **Note 2:** A specified course or speed may include a direction to adopt or maintain a course that will take the vessel to a place outside Australia.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.
The committee divided—

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Question negatived.
Bills agreed to.
Bills to be reported without amendments.

The President resumed the chair and the Chair of Committees (Senator Parry) reported accordingly.

On the motion of the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Ludwig) the report from the committee was adopted and the bills read a third time.

5 ORDER OF BUSINESS—REARRANGEMENT

The Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Ludwig) moved—that government business order of the day no. 2 (Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment Bill 2012) be postponed till a later hour.

Question put and passed.

6 AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (No. 1) 2012

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and Deregulation (Senator Wong)—that this bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

No amendments to the bill were circulated and no senator required that it be considered in committee.

On the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Urban Water (Senator Farrell) the bill was read a third time.
7 **FISHERIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2012**
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy)—That this bill be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.
*At 12.45 pm:* Debate was interrupted while Senator Macdonald was speaking.

8 **MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST**
Matters of public interest were discussed.

9 **QUESTIONS**
Questions without notice were answered.

10 **MOTIONS TO TAKE NOTE OF ANSWERS**
Senator Mason moved—That the Senate take note of answers given by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (Senator Conroy) to questions without notice asked by Opposition senators today relating to proposed media legislation.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

Senator Siewert moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation (Senator Wong) to a question without notice asked by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne) today relating to Newstart.
Question put and passed.

11 **DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR BRIAN ROPER ARCHER**
The President informed the Senate of the death, on 10 March 2013, of Brian Roper Archer, a senator for the state of Tasmania from 1975 to 1994.

The Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Conroy), by leave, moved—That the Senate records its deep regret at the death, on 10 March 2013, of Brian Roper Archer, former senator for Tasmania, places on record its appreciation of his long and meritorious public service and tenders its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.

The motion was supported and all senators present stood in silence—
Question passed.

12 **PETITION**
The following petition, lodged with the Clerk by Senator Ryan, was received:

From 321 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to increase the funding for research into brain tumour-related illness and support for patients.
13 NOTICES

Senator Wright: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) recognises that:
   (i) improving teacher quality is one of the various important components to raising education standards in Australian schools,
   (ii) measures to ensure trainee teachers have the necessary skills and aptitude are fitting but should be complemented by other incentives to attract candidates to the profession,
   (iii) school teachers must be appropriately remunerated and supported in the challenging functions they perform, through fair wages, suitable career structures, ongoing professional development and adequate time for out-of-classroom preparation, and
   (iv) adequately resourcing government schools creates optimal conditions for raising education standards; and
(b) calls on the Government to:
   (i) include measures which will enhance morale, professional development and job satisfaction among teachers, to complement teacher training, and
   (ii) address the under-resourcing of government schools by implementing the Gonski recommendations without delay. (general business notice of motion no. 1180)

The Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (Senator Heffernan): To move on the next day of sitting—That the time for the presentation of reports of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee be extended, as follows:
   (a) an aviation accident investigation— to 30 April 2013;
   (b) fresh pineapple imports— to 24 June 2013;
   (c) New Zealand potatoes import risk analysis— 24 June 2013; and
   (d) fresh ginger import risk analysis— to 24 June 2013. (general business notice of motion no. 1181)

Senator Fifield: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate notes Labor’s relentless attacks on free speech. (general business notice of motion no. 1182)

The Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) condemns the apparent torture and inhumane and degrading treatment of detainees in Fiji, as recently reported in an online video; and
(b) calls on the Fijian military government to:
   (i) publicly condemn the use of torture and uphold international conventions protecting civil and political rights, and
   (ii) establish an independent and transparent investigation into the events. (general business notice of motion no. 1183)

Senator Waters: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) no coal seam gas projects or coal mines have been assessed under Australia’s national environment laws for their impacts on the climate or water resources, and
(ii) there is huge concern about the impacts of coal seam gas and coal mines in the Australian community, particularly within farming communities that depend on scarce water resources; and

(b) calls on the Government to retrospectively apply its proposed water trigger and re-assess all projects approved under the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (Mr Burke). *(general business notice of motion no. 1184)*

14 **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Senator Kroger, by leave, moved—That leave of absence be granted to the following senators:

(a) Senator Boyce for 12 March 2013, for personal reasons; and

(b) Senator Parry for 14 March 2013, on account of parliamentary business.

Question put and passed.

15 **ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REFERENCE**

Senator Ruston, also on behalf of Senator Xenophon, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1—That the following matters be referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 30 April 2013:

(a) the Broadcasting Services Amendment (Material of Local Significance) Bill 2013; and

(b) the delivery of news coverage in rural and regional areas by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

Question put and passed.

16 **INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS (PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2013**

**NOT-FOR-PROFIT SECTOR FREEDOM TO ADVOCATE BILL 2013**

The Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins), at the request of the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Bob Carr) and the Minister for Finance and Deregulation (Senator Wong) and pursuant to notices of motion not objected to as formal motions, moved government business notices of motion nos 2 and 3—That the following bills be introduced:

A Bill for an Act to amend the *International Organisations (Privileges and Immunities) Act 1963*, and for related purposes.

A Bill for an Act to prohibit Commonwealth agreements from restricting or preventing not-for-profit entities from commenting on, advocating support for or opposing changes to Commonwealth law, policy or practice, and for related purposes.

Question put and passed.

Senator Collins presented the bills and moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be taken together and be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bills read a first time.

Senator Collins moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

Consideration of legislation: Pursuant to order, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the first day in the next period of sittings.
Senator Collins moved—that the bills be listed on the Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.
Question put and passed.

17 Health Insurance (Extended Medicare Safety Net) Amendment Determination—Approval
The Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved government business notice of motion no. 4—that, in accordance with subsection 10B(2) of the Health Insurance Act 1973, the Senate approves the Health Insurance (Extended Medicare Safety Net) Amendment Determination 2013 (No. 1) made under subsection 10B(1) of the Act on 27 February 2013.
Question put and passed.

18 Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Caring for Single Parents) Bill 2013
Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1161—that the following bill be introduced:


Question put and passed.
Senator Siewert presented the bill and moved—that this bill may proceed without formalities and be now read a first time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a first time.
Senator Siewert moved—that this bill be now read a second time.

Explanatory memorandum: Senator Siewert, by leave, tabled an explanatory memorandum relating to the bill.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Siewert in continuation.
19 FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE REFERENCES COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

Senator Kroger, at the request of the Chair of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee (Senator Eggleston) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1165—That the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Thursday, 14 March 2013, from 4 pm, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into the victims of sexual and other abuse in Defence.

Question put and passed.

20 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

Senator Kroger, at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (Senator Heffernan) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1166—That the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Thursday, 21 March 2013, from 3 pm, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into the Foreign Investment Review Board national interest test.

Question put and passed.

21 GAMBLING REFORM—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPORT

Senator Kroger, at the request of Senator Xenophon and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1167—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform on the Anti-Money Laundering Amendment (Gaming Machine Venues) Bill 2012 be extended to 28 June 2013.

Question put and passed.

22 CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

Senator Kroger, at the request of the Deputy Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services (Senator Boyce) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1168—That the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Thursday, 14 March 2013, from 10 am, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into the Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Reform of Self Managed Superannuation Funds Supervisory Levy Arrangements) Bill 2013.

Question put and passed.
23 **HISTORICAL EVENTS—2/40TH BATTALION**

Senator Kroger, at the request of Senators Bushby and Polley and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1169—That the Senate—

(a) notes that, on 23 February 2013, a stone memorial to those 919 members of the 2/40th Battalion who served their country in Timor and South East Asia was unveiled in Hobart’s Domain, exactly 71 years after the battalion was captured by the Japanese;

(b) further notes that on the same day in Launceston a memorial garden was dedicated to the 2/40th Battalion;

(c) observes that this Tasmanian unit lost 271 of its men during battle and subsequent captivity; and

(d) congratulates the surviving veterans and relatives for their unstinting efforts in bringing these memorials to fruition.

Question put and passed.

24 **ENVIRONMENT—NORTHERN TERRITORY—CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME**

Senator Whish-Wilson amended general business notice of motion no. 1170 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the recent decision by the Federal Court of Australia in *Coca-Cola Amatil (Aust) Pty Ltd v Northern Territory of Australia* [2013] which ruled that the Northern Territory container deposit scheme was invalid, and

(ii) that some beverage companies have announced that they will cease to provide container deposit refunds under the scheme; and

(b) calls on all Australian governments to work together to expedite consideration of any application made by the Northern Territory Government for an exemption to the *Mutual Recognition Act 1992* to support the continuation of the Northern Territory container deposit scheme.

*Statement by leave:* Senator Whish-Wilson, by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

25 **HISTORICAL EVENTS—CENTENARY OF CANBERRA**

Senator Humphries, also on behalf of Senator Lundy, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1171—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) 12 March 2013 is the centenary of the naming of the city of Canberra by the wife of the Governor-General, Lady Denman, in 1913, and

(ii) in the intervening century, Canberra has been developed as one of the great planned garden cities of the world;
(b) recognises Canberra, through its national institutions, as a showcase of the hopes and aspirations, milestones and achievements of the Australian nation; and

(c) congratulates Canberra and its citizens on their centenary.

Question put and passed.

26 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS—AUSTRALIAN URANIUM**

Senator Ludlam, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1172—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) Australian uranium is confirmed to have been present in each of the reactors at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power station on 11 March 2011,

(ii) the disaster is ongoing 2 years later, with continuing radiation leaks, and that 160 000 people remain displaced from their homes with inadequate compensation to resettle,

(iii) decommissioning is expected to take over 40 years at a cost of A$100 billion, and

(iv) approximately 2 000 samples of food and game tested for radiation between April 2012 and January 2013 exceeded the limit for human consumption of radioactive isotopes; and

(b) calls on the Australian Government to undertake an immediate review of all bilateral uranium supply arrangements to assess the risk of future disasters at nuclear power stations in countries to which Australia supplies uranium.

*Statement by leave*: Senator Ludlam, by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 10**

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**NOES, 35**

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Smith
Stephens
Sterle
Thistlethwaite
Thorp
Urquhart
Williams

Question negatived.
27 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—CHILD CARE—PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION REPORT—PROPOSED ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Senator Hanson-Young, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1175—that there be laid on the table no later than 28 November 2013 by the Minister representing the Minister for Early Childhood and Childcare a report by the Productivity Commission into:

(a) the affordability, flexibility, accessibility and quality of early childhood education and care; and

(b) all Commonwealth funding options and models for various types of care, including long-day care, in-home care, occasional care, family day care, outside-school-hours care and care for children with special needs.

Statements by leave: The Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) and Senator Hanson-Young, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 11

Senators—

Di Natale  Madigan  Siewert (Teller)  Wright
Hanson-Young  Milne  Waters  Xenophon
Ludlam  Rhiannon  Whish-Wilson

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Cash  Gallagher  Polley  Thorp
Collins  Kroger  Pratt  Unquhart
Collins  Lundy  Ronaldson  Williams
Crossin  Marshall  Ruston
Evans  McEwen (Teller)  Singh

Question negatived.

28 WOMEN—BOARD APPOINTMENTS

The Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1174—that the Senate—

(a) notes the Australian Council of Superannuation Investors annual audit that shows that just 15.5 per cent of board positions in ASX200 companies are held by women, and that the median company board is made up of 6 men and 1 woman;

(b) notes that companies with a greater proportion of women in senior management and board positions are more profitable; and

(c) calls on the Government to legislate to ensure ASX200 companies have a minimum of 40 per cent female board directors within the next 5 years.

Question put.
The Senate divided—

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Question negatived.

Statements by leave: Senators Milne and Cash, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

29 HEALTH—COAL DUST

Senator Rhiannon, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1176—that the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) recent independent air quality testing in Hunter suburbs near the coal rail line that leads to Newcastle Harbour revealed coal dust pollution levels over 50 per cent above the national standard for particulates 10 microns and less, which affects approximately 30,000 people living within 500 metres of the rail line,

(ii) there are no known safe levels of exposure to particulate pollution, and international studies have demonstrated direct causal links between particulate pollution and adverse health impacts such as asthma, increased risks of cancer, heart and lung disease and birth defects, including in mining regions,

(iii) a current Senate inquiry into the impacts on health of air quality has received many submissions from concerned groups and individuals based in the Hunter,

(iv) Hunter residents will express their concern that air pollution and coal dust from coal mines, coal trains and coal stockpiles is adversely affecting their health and the environment at a community rally in Newcastle on Saturday, 16 March 2013, organised by the Coal Terminal Action Group (CTAG), a coalition of 18 Hunter-based community groups, and

(v) the community rally will ask state and federal governments to reject the proposal by Port Waratah Coal Services to construct a new fourth coal export terminal, called T4, in Newcastle Harbour that would drive up further coal dust pollution and adversely impact the environment;
(b) congratulates CTAG and the wider Hunter community for taking action to protect their health and the local environment against the impact of coal industry expansion; and

(c) calls on the New South Wales Government and the Federal Government to reject the T4 project.

Question put.
The Senate divided—

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Question negatived.

30 COMMUNICATIONS—COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS

Senator Ludlam, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1173—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) Australia’s community broadcasters are a vital part of our media landscape and provide radio services that include specialist music, Indigenous media, multicultural and ethnic language programs, religious, educational and youth services, print disability reading services, and community access programs,

(ii) with funding support from the Federal Government, the 37 metropolitan-wide community radio stations in Melbourne, Brisbane, Sydney, Adelaide and Perth launched digital radio services in May 2011, and

(iii) in the 2012-13 Budget the Government allocated $2.2 million per annum for 4 years to support community digital radio services but this is a shortfall of $1.4 million per year for the minimum level of funding required to maintain transmission of all current services; and

(b) calls on the Government to commit the necessary funding for community broadcasters’ digital radio services in the coming Budget.

Question put and negatived.
31 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—TAXATION—MINERALS RESOURCE RENT TAX**

The Deputy President (Senator Parry) informed the Senate that, at 8.30 am today, Senator Macdonald and Senator Siewert had each submitted a letter in accordance with standing order 75 proposing a matter of public importance for discussion. The question of which proposal would be submitted to the Senate was determined by lot.

As a result, the Deputy President informed the Senate that Senator Siewert had proposed that the following matter of public importance be submitted to the Senate for discussion:

> The urgent need for the Government to apply the benefits of the mining boom to addressing acute urban challenges in Australian cities, including those outlined in the Capital Cities Liveability Index such as traffic congestion, housing affordability and loss of natural habitat with high quality urban regeneration and investment in public transport.

The proposal was supported by four senators and the matter was discussed.

32 **SCRUTINY OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—3RD REPORT AND ALERT DIGEST NO. 3 OF 2013**

Senator Bushby, at the request of the Chairman of the Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills (Senator Macdonald), tabled the following report and document:

- Scrutiny of Bills—Standing Committee—
- Alert Digest No. 3 of 2013, dated 13 March 2013.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Bushby.

33 **RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE—REPORT—MANAGEMENT OF THE MURRAY-DARLING BASIN**

Pursuant to order, the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (Senator Heffernan) tabled the following report and documents:

- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Management of the Murray-Darling Basin—Report, dated March 2013, Hansard record of proceedings, documents presented to the committee, additional information and submissions.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Heffernan.

Senator Heffernan moved—That the Senate take note of the report.

Debate ensued.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, the Leader of The Nationals in the Senate (Senator Joyce) in continuation.
34 **TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—132ND REPORT**

The Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (Senator Thistlethwaite) tabled the following report:


Senator Thistlethwaite moved—That the Senate take note of the report.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Thistlethwaite in continuation.

35 **HUMAN RIGHTS—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—3RD REPORT OF 2013**

Senator Stephens, on behalf of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights, tabled the following report:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Stephens.

Senator Stephens moved—That the Senate take note of the report.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Stephens in continuation.

36 **NOTICE**

Senator Stephens, by leave, gave a notice of motion as follows: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) that Royal Letters Patent issued by Queen Victoria on 14 March 1863 established the Anglican Diocese of Goulburn, giving Goulburn city status and making it Australia’s first inland city,

(ii) that 14 March 2013 is the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Goulburn as a city,

(iii) that St Saviour’s Anglican Cathedral, designed by Edmund Thomas Blacket, was completed in 1884, and the Catholic Cathedral of Sts Peter and Paul’s in 1890, and

(iv) Goulburn’s rich heritage since its settlement in the 1820s;

(b) recognises the contribution of Goulburn’s institutions to the expansion and economic development of southern New South Wales since the 1820s; and

(c) congratulates Goulburn and its citizens on its sesquicentenary. *(general business notice of motion no. 1185)*

37 **DOCUMENTS**

The following documents were tabled by the Clerk:

* Legislative instruments are identified by a Federal Register of Legislative Instruments (FRLI) number. An explanatory statement is tabled with an instrument unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk.*


Commissioner of Taxation—Public Rulings—
Class Rulings—
  Addendum—CR 2012/68.
  CR 2013/17 and CR 2013/18.

Financial Management and Accountability Act—Financial Management and Accountability (Local Hospital Networks Special Account) Determination 2013/01 [F2013L00451].

38 INDEXED LISTS OF DEPARTMENTAL AND AGENCY FILES—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS
The following documents were tabled pursuant to the order of the Senate of 30 May 1996, as amended:
Indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 July to 31 December 2012—Statements of compliance—
Australian Taxation Office.
Office for Sport.
Regional Australia, Local Government and Arts portfolio.

39 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY (SELF-GOVERNMENT) AMENDMENT BILL 2013
HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT AMENDMENT (FURTHER STREAMLINING AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2013
ROYAL COMMISSIONS AMENDMENT BILL 2013
Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
Message no. 596, dated 13 March 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend the Royal Commissions Act 1902, and for related purposes.
The Parliamentary Secretary for Defence (Senator Feeney) moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be taken together and be now read a first time. Question put and passed.
Bills read a first time.
Senator Feeney moved—That these bills be now read a second time.
Consideration of legislation: Pursuant to order, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the first day in the next period of sittings.
Senator Feeney moved—that the bills be listed on the Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.

Question put and passed.

40 **EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION BILL 2012**

Pursuant to order, Senator McEwen, at the request of the Chair of the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee (Senator Marshall), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McEwen.

41 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—CRIMES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (ORGANISED CRIME AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2012**

Pursuant to order, Senator McEwen, at the request of the Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Crossin), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McEwen.

42 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—CUSTOMS AMENDMENT (MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES) BILL 2012**

Pursuant to order, Senator McEwen, at the request of the Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Crossin), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McEwen.

43 **COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME BILL 2012**

Pursuant to order, Senator McEwen, at the request of the Chair of the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Moore), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McEwen.
44 Fisheries Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2012
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy)—That this bill be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.
At 6.30 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Back was speaking.

45 Government Documents—Consideration
The government documents tabled earlier today (see entry no. 2) were called on but no motion was moved.

46 Adjournment
The Deputy President (Senator Parry) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
The Senate adjourned at 7.28 pm till Thursday, 14 March 2013 at 9.30 am.

47 Attendance
Present, all senators except Senator Cormann (on leave).

Rosemary Laing
Clerk of the Senate