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Adjournment
Attendance
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 January to 31 March 2013.
- *Migration Act 1958*—
  - Reports for the period 1 November 2012 to 28 February 2013—
    - Section 91Y—Protection visa processing taking more than 90 days.
    - Section 440A—Conduct of Refugee Review Tribunal reviews not completed within 90 days.

3 **ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AMENDMENT BILL 2013**

Order of the day read for the further consideration of the bill in committee of the whole.

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*In the committee*

Consideration resumed of the bill—and of the amendment moved by Senator Waters:

Schedule 1, page 8 (after line 4), after item 6, insert:

**6A After section 131AB**

Insert:

131AC  Minister must be satisfied that owners and occupiers of land have consented etc.

(1) This section applies to the taking of an action if a provision of Subdivision FB of Division 1 of Part 3 is a controlling provision for the action.

(2) The Minister must not approve, for the purposes of the controlling provision, the taking of the action, unless the Minister is satisfied that any owner, and any occupier, of land that would be likely to be affected by the taking of the action:

(a) has obtained independent legal advice; and

(b) has obtained independent advice in relation to the likely impacts of the taking of the action; and

(c) has freely given informed consent in relation to the taking of the action.

Debate resumed.

*Closure*: Senator Waters moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.
The committee divided—

AYES, 39

Senators—

Bilyk
Bishop
Brown
Cameron
Carr, Bob
Collins
Conroy
Crossin
Di Natale
Farrell

Bilynker
Feeney
Furner
Gallacher
Hanson-Young
Hogg
Lines
Ludlam
Ludwig

Marshall
McEwen (Teller)
McLucas
Milne
Moore
Polley
Pratt
Rhiannon
Siewert

Stephens
Sterle
Thor
Urquhart
Waters
Whish-Wilson
Wong
Wright
Xenophon

NOES, 32

Senators—

Abetz
Back
Bernardi
Birmingham
Boswell
Boyce
Brandis
Bushby
Colbeck
Cormann
Edwards
Eggleston
Fawcett
Fifield
Heffernan
Humphries

Johnston
Joyce
Kroger (Teller)
Macdonald
Mason
McKenzie
Nash
Parry

Payne
Ronaldson
Ruston
Ryan
Scullion
Smith

Question agreed to.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The committee divided—

AYES, 10

Senators—

Di Natale
Hanson-Young
Ludlam

Milne
Rhiannon
Siewert (Teller)

Waters
Whish-Wilson
Xenophon

NOES, 45

Senators—

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Bilyk
Birmingham
Boswell
Boyce
Brown
Carr, Bob
Colbeck
Collins
Conroy
Cormann
Crossin
Kroger (Teller)
Lines
Ludwig

Lundy
Marshall
McEwen
Furner
Gallacher
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Ruston
Scullion
Singh
Moore
Nash
Polley

Wong

Question negatived.
Senator Birmingham moved the following amendments together by leave:

Schedule 1, page 9 (after line 31), after item 18, insert:

**18A Section 528 (at the end of the definition of coal seam gas development)**

Add “, but does not include exploration, assessment or appraisal pursuant to a petroleum title granted under a law of a State or Territory.”.

Schedule 1, page 9 (after line 31), after item 18, insert:

**18B Section 528 (at the end of the definition of large coal mining development)**

Add “, but does not include exploration, assessment or appraisal pursuant to a minerals exploration licence or permit granted under a law of a State or Territory.”.

Debate ensued.

**Closure:** The Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (Senator Conroy) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The committee divided—

**AYES, 36**

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Question agreed to.

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

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Question negatived.

Senator Waters moved the following amendments together by leave:

Schedule 1, items 20 and 22, page 10 (line 26) to page 12 (line 28), omit the items, substitute:

**20 Application**

(1) Except as provided by subitem (2), the amendments made by this Schedule apply in relation to an action involving coal seam gas development or large coal mining development that is taken on or after the day this item commences, even if the action began before that time.

(2) The amendments made by this Schedule do not apply in relation to the taking of an action if, before 10 February 2013:

(a) the Minister approved the action under Part 9 of the old law; or
(b) the Minister decided under Division 2 of Part 7 of the old law that the action was not a controlled action; or
(c) the action was specifically authorised in accordance with section 43A of the old law.

Schedule 1, item 23, page 12 (line 33) to page 13 (line 14), omit subitem (1), substitute:

(1) This item applies if, immediately before the day this item commences, there was in force a decision of the Minister, under Division 2 of Part 7 of the old law, that an action involving coal seam gas development or large coal mining development is a controlled action, regardless of:

(a) whether the taking of the action has been approved by the Minister under Part 9 of the old law for the purposes of a provision of Part 3 of the old law (unless subsection 20(2) applies to the approval); and
(b) whether advice has been obtained from the Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development in relation to the action.

Schedule 1, page 17 (after line 1), after item 24, insert:

24A Requirement for assessment of impacts of certain actions

(1) If, on or after 14 September 2010, the Minister approved the taking of an action involving coal seam gas development or large coal mining development, the Minister must assess the relevant impacts of so much of the action as has been taken before this item commences.

(2) For the purposes of assessing the relevant impacts, Part 8 of the old law applies as if:

(a) section 24D or 24E had been a controlling provision for the action; and

(b) the Minister were required to complete the assessment no later than 12 months after the day this item commences.

(3) No later than 13 months after the day this item commences, the Minister must publish a report in relation to each action assessed under this item, setting out the relevant impacts of the action on the matter protected by the controlling provision.

Page 17 (after line 13), at the end of the bill, add:

Schedule 2—Preventing the Commonwealth from handing to a State or Territory responsibility for approving proposed actions that significantly impact matters protected under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

1 Paragraph 11(a)

Omit “a bilateral”, substitute “an”.

2 Division 1 of Part 4

Repeal the Division.

3 Paragraphs 44(c) and (d)

Omit “and approval” (wherever occurring).

4 Subparagraphs 45(2)(a)(iii) and (iv)

Omit “and approval” (wherever occurring).

5 Section 46

Repeal the section.

6 Subsection 47(4)

Omit “but the action must still be approved under Part 9”.

7 Subsection 48(3) (heading)

Repeal the heading, substitute:

Relationship with section 47
8 Subsection 48(3)  
Omit “sections 46 and”, substitute “section”.

9 Subsection 48A(1)  
Omit “46 or”.

10 Subsection 48A(1)  
Omit “(2) or” (wherever occurring).

11 Subsection 48A(1)  
Omit “(as appropriate)”.

12 Subsection 48A(2)  
Repeal the subsection.

13 Subsection 51(1)  
Omit “(1)”.

14 Subsection 51(2)  
Repeal the subsection.

15 Subsection 51A(1)  
Omit “(1)”.

16 Subsection 51A(2)  
Repeal the subsection.

17 Subsection 52(1)  
Omit “(1)”.

18 Subsection 52(2)  
Repeal the subsection.

19 Subsection 53(1)  
Omit “(1)”.

20 Subsection 53(2)  
Repeal the subsection.

21 Subsection 54(1)  
Omit “(1)”.

22 Subsection 54(2)  
Repeal the subsection.

23 Section 55  
Omit “, or accredit for the purposes of a bilateral agreement a management arrangement or an authorisation process,”.

24 Subsection 59(1) (examples 1 to 3)  
Repeal the examples.

25 Section 64  
Repeal the section.

26 Section 65A  
Repeal the section.

27 Section 66  
Omit “(It does not deal with actions that a bilateral agreement declares not to need approval)”. 
28 Paragraph 77A(1A)(b)
Omit “relates; or”, substitute “relates.”

29 Paragraph 77A(1A)(c)
Repeal the paragraph.

30 Subparagraph 78(1)(ba)(i)
Omit “a bilateral agreement and a management arrangement or an authorisation process that is a bilaterally accredited management arrangement or a bilaterally accredited authorisation process for the purposes of the agreement”, substitute “an agreement”.

31 Subparagraph 78(1)(ba)(ii)
Omit “, or the management arrangement or authorisation process is no longer in force under, or set out in, a law of a State or a self-governing Territory identified in or under the agreement”.

32 Subsection 82(2)
Omit “1,”.

33 Subsection 82(2)
Omit “a bilateral”, substitute “an”.

34 Subsection 146(2) (note 2)
Omit “, or make a bilateral agreement declaring.”.

35 Section 528 (definition of bilaterally accredited authorisation process)
Repeal the definition.

36 Section 528 (definition of bilaterally accredited management arrangement)
Repeal the definition.

Page 17 (after line 13), at the end of the bill, add:

Schedule 2—Further amendments

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

1 After section 12
Insert:

12A Requirement for approval of activities with a significant impact on a National Park

(1) A person must not take an action that:
(a) has or will have a significant impact on the environment within a National Park; or
(b) is likely to have a significant impact on the environment within a National Park.

Civil penalty:
(a) for an individual—5,000 penalty units;
(b) for a body corporate—50,000 penalty units.
(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to an action if:
   (a) an approval of the taking of the action by the person is in operation under Part 9 for the purposes of this section; or
   (b) Part 4 lets the person take the action without an approval under Part 9 for the purposes of this section; or
   (c) there is in force a decision of the Minister under Division 2 of Part 7 that this section is not a controlling provision for the action and, if the decision was made because the Minister believed the action would be taken in a manner specified in the notice of the decision under section 77, the action is taken in that manner; or
   (d) the action is an action described in subsection 160(2) (which describes actions whose authorisation is subject to a special environmental assessment process).

(3) A property is a National Park for the purpose of this Act if it is:
   (a) an area that is a National Park for the purpose of a law of the Commonwealth, a State or a Territory as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes a National Park, or is added to an existing National Park, on or after that date; or
   (b) an area that is a nature reserve for the purpose of a law of the State of Western Australia as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes a nature reserve, or is added to an existing nature reserve, on or after that date; or
   (c) an area that is declared under the National Parks Act 1975 of the State of Victoria as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that is declared under that Act, or is added to an existing area declared under that Act, on or after that date; or
   (d) an area that is land designated for conservation under the Conservation, Forests and Lands Act 1987 of the State of Victoria as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes land designated for conservation under that Act, or is added to an existing area that is land designated for conservation, on or after that date; or
   (e) an area that is a state reserve or a nature reserve under the National Parks and Reserves Management Act 2002 of the State of Tasmania as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes a state reserve or a nature reserve, or is added to an existing state reserve or nature reserve, on or after that date; or
   (f) an area that is a reserve under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1975 of the State of South Australia as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes a reserve, or is added to an existing reserve, on or after that date; or
   (g) an area that is a wilderness protection area under the Wilderness Protection Act 1992 of the State of South Australia as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes a wilderness protection area, or is added to an existing wilderness protection area, on or after that date; or
(h) an area that is a park or reserve under the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act 2006* of the Northern Territory as at 17 June 2013, or is an area that becomes a park or reserve, or is added to an existing park or reserve, on or after that date.

2 After section 15A

Insert:

15AA Offences relating to National Parks

(1) A person is guilty of an offence if:
   (a) the person takes an action; and
   (b) the action results or will result in a significant impact on the environment of a property; and
   (c) the property is a National Park.

Note: Chapter 2 of the Criminal Code sets out the general principles of criminal responsibility.

(1A) Strict liability applies to paragraph (1)(c).

Note: For strict liability, see section 6.1 of the *Criminal Code*.

(2) A person is guilty of an offence if:
   (a) the person takes an action; and
   (b) the action is likely to have a significant impact on the environment of a property; and
   (c) the property is a National Park.

Note: Chapter 2 of the *Criminal Code* sets out the general principles of criminal responsibility.

(2A) Strict liability applies to paragraph (2)(c).

Note: For strict liability, see section 6.1 of the *Criminal Code*.

(3) An offence against subsection (1) or (2) is punishable on conviction by imprisonment for a term of not more than 7 years, a fine not more than 420 penalty units, or both.

Note 1: Subsection 4B(3) of the *Crimes Act 1914* lets a court fine a body corporate up to 5 times the maximum amount the court could fine a person under this subsection.

Note 2: An executive officer of a body corporate convicted of an offence against this section may also be guilty of an offence against section 495.

Note 3: If a person takes an action on land that contravenes this section, a landholder may be guilty of an offence against section 496C.

(4) Subsections (1) and (2) do not apply to an action if:
   (a) an approval of the taking of the action by the person is in operation under Part 9 for the purposes of this section; or
   (b) Part 4 lets the person take the action without an approval under Part 9 for the purposes of this section; or
   (c) there is in force a decision of the Minister under Division 2 of Part 7 that this section is not a controlling provision for the action and, if the decision was made because the Minister believed the action would be taken in a manner specified in the notice of the decision under section 77, the action is taken in that manner; or
(d) the action is an action described in subsection 160(2) (which describes actions whose authorisation is subject to a special environmental assessment process).

Note: The defendant bears an evidential burden in relation to the matters in this subsection. See subsection 13.3(3) of the Criminal Code.

3 **Subsection 29(1)**

After “or 24E”, insert “ or section 12A or 15AA”.

4 **Section 34 (after table item 1A)**

Add:

| 1AA | section 15AA | the environment within a National Park |

5 **After section 34BA**

Insert:

**34BB Declarations relating to National Parks**

(1) The Minister may make a declaration under section 33 relating to a National Park only if:

(a) the Minister is satisfied that the declaration is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity;

(b) the Minister is satisfied that the declaration is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under any other relevant international environment convention which aims to protect the natural environment to which Australia is a party; and

(c) the declaration meets the requirements (if any) prescribed by the regulations.

(2) For the purpose of this Act, the *Convention on Biological Diversity* means the Convention on Biological Diversity done at Rio de Janeiro on 5 June 1992.

6 **After section 37D**

Insert:

**37DA Declarations relating to National Parks**

The Minister may make a declaration under section 37A relating to a National Park only if:

(a) the Minister is satisfied that the declaration is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity; and

(b) the Minister is satisfied that the declaration is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under any other relevant international environment convention which aims to protect the natural environment to which Australia is a party.

7 **Subsection 46(1)**

After “or 24E”, insert “ or 12A or 15AA”.

8 **Subsections 46(2) and (2A)**

After “or 24E”, insert “ or 12A or 15AA”.

9 After section 51A

Insert:

51B Agreements relating to National Parks

(1) The Minister may enter into a bilateral agreement containing a provision relating to a National Park only if:
   (a) the Minister is satisfied that the provision is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity;
   (b) the Minister is satisfied that the provision is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under any other relevant international environment convention which aims to protect the natural environment to which Australia is a party; and
   (c) the provision meets the requirements (if any) prescribed by the regulations.

(2) The Minister may accredit a management arrangement or an authorisation process under section 46 for the purposes of a bilateral agreement containing a provision relating to a National Park only if:
   (a) the Minister is satisfied that the management arrangement or authorisation process is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity; and
   (b) the Minister is satisfied that the management arrangement or authorisation process is not inconsistent with Australia’s obligations under any other relevant international environment convention which aims to protect the natural environment to which Australia is a party.

10 After section 137A

Insert:

137B Requirements for decisions about National Parks

In deciding whether or not to approve, for the purposes of section 12, the taking of an action and what conditions to attach to such an approval, the Minister must not act inconsistently with:
   (a) Australia’s obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity; and
   (b) any other relevant international environment convention to which Australia is a party which aims to protect the natural environment.

11 After section 146G

Insert:

146GA Approvals relating to National Parks

If the approval relates to a National Park, the Minister must not act inconsistently with:
   (a) Australia’s obligations under the Convention on Biological Diversity; and
   (b) any other relevant international environment convention to which Australia is a party which aims to protect the natural environment.
Debate ensued.

Closure: Senator Conroy moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The committee divided—

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Question agreed to.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The committee divided—

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Senators—

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Hanson-Young
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Siewert (Teller)
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Question negatived.
Question—That the bill stand as printed—put.

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Question agreed to.

Question—That the bill be reported—put.

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Question agreed to.
The President resumed the chair and the Chair of Committees (Senator Parry) reported accordingly.
Senator Conroy moved—That the report from the committee be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Closure: Senator Conroy moved—That the question be now put.
Question—That the question be now put—put and passed.
Question—That the report from the committee be adopted—put and passed.
Senator Conroy moved—That this bill be now read a third time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a third time.

4 Constitution Alteration (Local Government) 2013
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins)—That this bill be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.
Senator Brandis moved the following amendment:
At the end of the motion, add “but that further consideration of the bill be made an order of the day for the first sitting day after the Government puts into place financial arrangements to provide for equal funding for both the ‘yes’ and the ‘no’ cases, to ensure that the Australian community is properly informed about the arguments for and against the proposed change to the Constitution”.
Debate ensued.
At 12.45 pm: Debate was interrupted.

5 Matters of Public Interest
Matters of public interest were discussed.

At 2 pm—

6 Questions
Questions without notice were answered.

7 Motions to Take Note of Answers
Senator McKenzie moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Ludwig) to a question without notice asked by Senator McKenzie today relating to farm finance concessional loans.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Senator Siewert moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy) to a question without notice asked by Senator Siewert today relating to the Wyndham Early Learning Activity Centre.
Question put and passed.
Notices of motion:

The Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (Senator Sterle): To move on the next day of sitting—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee on the Biosecurity Bill 2012 [2013] and a related bill be extended to 27 November 2013. (general business notice of motion no. 1278)

The Chair of the Environment and Communications References Committee (Senator Birmingham): To move on the next day of sitting—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on the protection of Australia’s threatened species and ecological communities be extended to 4 July 2013. (general business notice of motion no. 1279)

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 the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on sports science in Australia be extended to 10 July 2013. (general business notice of motion no. 1280)

Senator Madigan: To move on 27 June 2013—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to alter the Constitution to provide that marriage is confirmed as a union between a man and a woman. Constitution Alteration (Recognition of Marriage) 2013. (general business notice of motion no. 1281)

Senator Fifield: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate notes Labor’s failure to secure the borders and stop the boats. (general business notice of motion no. 1282)

Senator Hanson-Young: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) acknowledges that 20 June 2013 is World Refugee Day, when all nations recognise the resilience and humanity of forcibly displaced people around the world;

(b) notes that when Australia signed the Refugee Convention in 1954, one of the earliest countries to do so, Australia’s delegate said that the Government regards the adoption of the Convention as a necessary step towards alleviating the conditions facing large numbers of people whose plight is one of the saddest facts of our unhappy world; and

(c) reaffirms Australia’s strong commitment to the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and 1967 Protocol. (general business notice of motion no. 1283)

Senator Siewert: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Federal Government allocated $13 million of funding to address kidney health and dialysis in central Australia in response to the Central Desert Renal Study in 2011, and

(ii) $3 million of this funding has already been pulled back into consolidated revenue and that much of the balance of $10 million remains unspent; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) ensure that the entirety of the $10 million in funding is used for dialysis-related purposes,
(ii) renew efforts to engage with state and territory governments to enter into funding agreements for dialysis programs, including infrastructure and service delivery, and  
(iii) fund community-driven delivery services for dialysis, such as those in Kiwirrkurra in the Gibson Desert of Western Australia. *(general business notice of motion no. 1284)*

Senators Whish-Wilson and Thorp: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the uncertainty about the environmental impacts of the operation of large mid-water trawl freezer vessels in the Small Pelagic Fishery, and  
(ii) a temporary ban on this new method of fishing is in place along with funding to perform further scientific research; and  
(b) commits to supporting the completion of this scientific research, its funding, and the associated temporary ban. *(general business notice of motion no. 1285)*

Senator Waters: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) Australians are outraged that our national parks are under threat from logging, grazing, shooting and tourism developments, and  
(ii) it is too late to secure by regulation national protection for national parks in this parliamentary term; and  
(b) calls on the Government to act on its promise to protect our national parks by amending the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* before this Parliament rises. *(general business notice of motion no. 1286)*

Senator Waters: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes that Australia’s national environment laws only regulate this country’s most environmentally destructive projects which threaten our most precious species and wild places; and  
(b) calls on the Government to amend our national environment laws before this Parliament rises to ensure these responsibilities cannot be handed to state or territory governments. *(general business notice of motion no. 1287)*

Senators Williams and Cameron and the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne): To move on the next day of sitting—That the following matter be referred to the Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 31 March 2014:

The performance of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), with particular reference to:

(a) ASIC’s enabling legislation, and whether there are any barriers preventing ASIC from fulfilling its legislative responsibilities and obligations;  
(b) the accountability framework to which ASIC is subject, and whether this needs to be strengthened;  
(c) the workings of ASIC’s collaboration, and working relationships, with other regulators and law enforcement bodies;  
(d) ASIC’s complaints management policies and practices;  
(e) the protections afforded by ASIC to corporate and private whistleblowers; and  
(f) any related matters.
Notice of motion withdrawn: The Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins) withdrew government business notice of motion no. 1 standing in her name for today, relating to the consideration of legislation.

9 POSTPONEMENTS

The following items of business were postponed:

- Business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1 standing in the name of Senator Xenophon for today, proposing the disallowance of the Export Market Development Grants (Extended Lodgement and Consultant Quality Incentive) Determination 2012, postponed till 25 June 2013.
- Business of the Senate notices of motion nos 1 and 2 standing in the name of Senator Fifield for 20 June 2013, proposing the disallowance of certain instruments made under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, postponed till 26 June 2013.
- General business notice of motion no. 1242 standing in the name of Senator Madigan for 20 June 2013, proposing the introduction of the Fair Trade (Compliance of Imported Goods with Australian Standards) Bill 2013, postponed till 27 June 2013.
- General business notice of motion no. 1273 standing in the name of Senator Rhiannon for today, proposing an order for the production of documents by the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, postponed till 24 June 2013.

10 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator McEwen, by leave, moved—That leave of absence be granted to Senators Singh and Sterle for 20 June 2013, for personal reasons.

Question put and passed.

11 TREATIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

Senator Kroger, at the request of the Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (Senator McKenzie) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1269—That the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties be authorised to hold a private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sitting of the Senate on Monday, 24 June 2013, from 10 am, followed by a public hearing.

Question put and passed.

12 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—IRAN—RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Senator Stephens, also on behalf of Senator Bernardi, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1270—That the Senate—

(a) supports freedom of religion as a universal human right;
(b) does not support the imprisonment or persecution of individuals on the basis of their religious belief;
(c) calls on the Iranian authorities to release Pastor Saeed Abedini who was sentenced to 8 years in prison because his Christian faith and activities were deemed a national security threat by the Iranian Government;

(d) recognises that this action is a breach of Iran’s international obligations, its own constitution and stated religious values; and

(e) stands in solidarity with Pastor Abedini, his family and all those who seek to practise their religion without fear of persecution.

Question put and passed.

13 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—CHARTER OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Senator Smith, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1271—That the Senate—

(a) recognises:
    (i) the signing of the Charter of the Commonwealth by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Australia and Head of the Commonwealth, on 11 March 2013, and
    (ii) that the Charter reaffirms the core values and principles of the Commonwealth as being:
        (A) democracy,
        (B) human rights,
        (C) international peace and security,
        (D) tolerance, respect and understanding,
        (E) freedom of expression,
        (F) separation of powers,
        (G) rule of law,
        (H) good governance,
        (I) sustainable development,
        (J) protecting the environment,
        (K) access to health, education, food and shelter,
        (L) gender equality,
        (M) importance of young people in the Commonwealth,
        (N) recognition of the needs of small states,
        (O) recognition of the needs of vulnerable states, and
        (P) the role of civil society; and

(b) encourages the Australian Government to further demonstrate its support for the values contained in the Charter by working to ensure all Commonwealth nations abide by its commitments.

Question put and passed.

14 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—IRAQ—CAMP HURRIYA

Senator McEwen, at the request of Senators Moore, Williams and Cameron and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1276—That the Senate—

(a) notes the concerns about the security of the residents of Camp Hurriya in Iraq which was subject to a mortar attack on 15 June 2013;

(b) recognises that individual refugee status assessments are underway in Camp Hurriya, with more than half the determinations completed to date; and
urges the international community to continue to work with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the Government of Iraq on finding a durable solution for camp residents, including resettlement in third countries.

Question put and passed.

INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS—YIRRKALA BARK PETITIONS

Senator McEwen, at the request of Senator Crossin and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1277—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) 2013 is the 50th anniversary of the Yirrkala bark petitions, and

(ii) these petitions were:

(A) from the Yolngu people of Yirrkala and the first documents bridging Commonwealth law as it then stood, and the Indigenous laws of the land,

(B) the first traditional documents recognised by the Commonwealth Parliament and are thus the documentary recognition of Indigenous people in Australian law,

(C) extraordinary in nature as they were the first petitions to use traditional forms and combine bark painting with text typed on paper, and

(D) painted designs proclaiming Yolngu law, depicting the traditional relations to the land and the typed text incorporating both English and Gumatj languages; and

(b) recognises:

(i) the national appreciation of this anniversary, and

(ii) that NAIDOC Week 2013 will be aptly themed ‘We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963’.

Question put and passed.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES—UNPAID CARING WORK—PROPOSED PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION INQUIRY

Senator Hanson-Young, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1274—That the Senate—

(a) notes that unpaid caring work being undertaken by Australian individuals is leading to inequality over the life-cycle of women and the emergence of gender-based disparity in retirement incomes; and

(b) calls on the Government to:

(i) direct the Productivity Commission to conduct an inquiry into mechanisms for recognising and valuing unpaid care which might reduce the gender gap, including, but not limited to, options and models for superannuation and tax offsets, carer’s leave, child care, aged pension supplements, and additional paid parental leave measures, and

(ii) specify that the inquiry examine the merits and feasibility of a system of ‘carer credits’ in the form of direct credits to the superannuation accounts of individuals with parent care responsibilities or carer responsibilities.

Question put.
The Senate divided—

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Question negatived.

17 FOREIGN AFFAIRS—TIBET

Senator Hanson-Young, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 1275—that the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the current visit of His Holiness the Dalai Lama to Australia, and the visit of the Speaker of the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile, Mr Penpa Tsering, to Australia’s Parliament House, and

(ii) the ongoing tension and repressions in Tibetan regions, leading to nearly 120 deaths of Tibetans by self-immolation, and the continuing surveillance and violent crackdowns on Tibetans; and

(b) calls on the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Bob Carr) to escalate diplomatic arrangements for a visit by the Australian Ambassador and an Australian parliamentary delegation to Tibetan regions for the purposes of fact-finding and observation.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

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18 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ADMINISTRATION—LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFERENDUM—FUNDING**

The Deputy President (Senator Parry) informed the Senate that, at 8.30 am today, Senator Fifield and Senator Siewert 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 Fifield had proposed that the following matter of public importance be submitted to the Senate for discussion:

The failure of the Gillard Government to commit to equal resources for a ‘yes’ case and a ‘no’ case for the proposed referendum question on the Constitution and local government.

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

19 **HOUSE—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Fawcett) tabled the following report:


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

20 **SCRUTINY OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—6TH REPORT AND ALERT DIGEST NO. 6 OF 2013**

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. 6 of 2013, dated 19 June 2013.

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

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

Question put and passed.

21 **HUMAN RIGHTS—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—8TH AND 9TH REPORTS OF 2013**

Senator Stephens, on behalf of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights, tabled the following reports and documents:

Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee—

8th report of 2013—Examination of legislation in accordance with the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*—Bills introduced 27 May to 6 June 2013; Human rights and civil penalties, dated June 2013.

9th report of 2013—Examination of legislation in accordance with the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*—Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing and Other Measures) Act 2012 and related legislation, dated June 2013, Hansard record of proceedings, additional information and submissions.

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

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

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Stephens in continuation.
22 **AUDITOR-GENERAL—AUDIT REPORT NO. 48 OF 2012-13 AND REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR—DOCUMENTS**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Fawcett) tabled the following documents:


23 **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.]*

- A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act, Customs Act and Excise Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 126—Customs and Other Legislation Amendment (LAG and Other Measures) Regulation 2013 [F2013L01020].
- *Appropriation Act (No. 1) 2012-2013—Advance to the Finance Minister Determination (No. 3 of 2012-2013)* [F2013L01045].
- Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 124—Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 3) [F2013L01015].
- Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act—
  - Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (Confidentiality) Determination No. 12 of 2013—Information provided by general insurers and Lloyd’s underwriters for the purposes of the National Claims and Policies Database under Reporting Standard GRS 800.1, GRS 800.2, GRS 800.3, LOLRS 800.1, LOLRS 800.2 and LOLRS 800.3 [F2013L01046].
  - Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Instrument Fixing Charges No. 5 of 2013—Models-based capital adequacy requirements for ADIs for the financial year 2012-13 [F2013L00999].
- Christmas Island Act and Cocos (Keeling) Islands Act—Territories Legislation (Applied Laws) Amendment Ordinance 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L01017].

**Civil Aviation Act**—

Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 119—Civil Aviation (Fees) Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L01003].

Commissioner of Taxation—Public Rulings—
Class Rulings CR 2013/40-CR 2013/46.

Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 114—Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L01004].

Corporations Act—
ASIC Class Order [CO 13/657] [F2013L00979].
Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 115—Corporations Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 4) [F2013L01013].


Defence Act—Determinations under section 58B—Defence Determinations—
2013/26—Salary non-reduction – amendment.
2013/27—Chaplains – amendment.
2013/28—Salary non-reduction and rent ceilings – amendment.
2013/29—Clearance diver individual bonus payment.

Defence Act, Naval Defence Act and Air Force Act—Select Legislative Instruments 2013 Nos—
112—Cadet Forces Regulation 2013 [F2013L01021].
113—Defence (Inquiry) Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L01018].

Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme Act—Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme Amendment (Average House Price and Median Interest Rate) Determination 2013 [F2013L01012].

Energy Efficiency Opportunities Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 121—Energy Efficiency Opportunities Amendment (Continuation of Networks Exemption) Regulation 2013 [F2013L01024].

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—
Amendment of list of exempt native specimens—EPBC303DC/SFS/2013/38 [F2013L01030].

Financial Management and Accountability Act—
FMA Act (Litigants’ Fund Special Account) Determination 2013/06 [F2013L01051].
FMA Act (Royal Australian Mint Special Account) Determination 2013/04 [F2013L01049].
FMA Act (Variation and abolition of Special Account) Determination 2013/03 [F2013L01050].
FMA Act (Variations and abolitions of Special Accounts) Determination 2013/05 [F2013L01052].

Financial Sector (Collection of Data) Act—Financial Sector (Collection of Data) (Reporting Standard) Determinations Nos—


66 of 2013—Reporting Standard SRS 160.0 Defined Benefit Matters [F2013L00980].


78 of 2013—Reporting Standard SRS 530.0 Investments [F2013L00984].

96 of 2013—Reporting Standard SRS 802.0 Fund Profile [F2013L00987].

Fisheries Management Act—Northern Prawn Fishery (Closures) Direction No. 164 [F2013L01040].

Fuel Tax Act—Road User Charge Determination (No. 1) 2013 [F2013L00990].

Higher Education Support Act—

Higher Education Provider Approval No. 3 of 2013—Nan Tien Institute Limited [F2013L00998].

VET Provider Approval No. 22 of 2013—Strategix Training Group Pty Ltd [F2013L01034].

Income Tax Assessment Act 1936—Select Legislative Instruments 2013 Nos—

128—Income Tax Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L01001].

129—Income Tax Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 2) [F2013L00992].


Marriage Act—Marriage (Recognised Denominations) Amendment Proclamation 2013 [F2013L01025].

Migration Act—

Migration Agents Regulations—Instrument IMMI 13/021—Fees for performing assessments [F2013L00982].

Migration Regulations—Instruments IMMI—

13/048—Disclosure of information to prescribed bodies [F2013L01038].

13/057—Eligible education providers and educational business partners [F2013L01035].

13/079—Required health assessment [F2013L01033].

Select Legislative Instruments 2013 Nos—

118—Migration Amendment (Visa Application Charge and Related Matters) Regulation 2013 [F2013L01029].

131—Migration Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 4) [F2013L01014].

National Disability Insurance Scheme Act—
National Disability Insurance Scheme (Registered Providers of Supports) Rules 2013 [F2013L01009].

National Health Act—
Instruments Nos PB—
34 of 2013—National Health (Remote Aboriginal Health Services Program) Special Arrangements Amendment Instrument 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L01037].
36 of 2013—National Health (Efficient Funding of Chemotherapy) Special Arrangement Amendment Instrument 2013 (No. 6) [F2013L01039].
National Health (Immunisation Program – Designated Vaccines) Variation Determination 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L00996].


Public Service Act and Public Service Amendment Act 2013—Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 110—Public Service Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 2) [F2013L01002].

Social Security Act—
Social Security (Exempt Lump Sum) (Defence Abuse Reparation Scheme) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2013 [F2013L01032].
Social Security (Special Disability Trust – Discretionary Spending) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2013 [F2013L01023].
Social Security (Special Disability Trust – Trust Deed, Reporting and Audit Requirements) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2013 [F2013L01026].


Superannuation Act 1990—

Superannuation (Self Managed Superannuation Funds) Supervisory Levy Imposition Act and Superannuation (Self Managed Superannuation Funds) Taxation Act—Select Legislative Instrument 2013 No. 116—Superannuation (Self Managed Superannuation Funds) Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Regulation 2013 (No. 1) [F2013L00988].
Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) Act—
Telecommunications (Annual Carrier Licence Charge) Determination 2013 [F2013L00985].
Telecommunications (Specification of Costs by the ACMA) Determination 2013 [F2013L00989].
Veterans’ Entitlements Act—Instruments 2013 Nos—

24 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Stephens) informed the Senate that the President had received a letter nominating senators to be members of a committee.
The Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy), by leave, moved—That Senators Fifield and McKenzie be appointed to the Joint Select Committee on DisabilityCare Australia. Question put and passed.

25 BROADCASTING LEGISLATION—JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE—VARIATION OF APPOINTMENT
A message from the House of Representatives was reported as follows:
Message no. 704, dated 18 June 2013—Agreeing to the Senate resolution varying the resolution of appointment of the Joint Select Committee on Broadcasting Legislation.

26 CHARITIES BILL 2013
CHARITIES (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2013
Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
Message no. 709, dated 18 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to define charity and charitable purpose, and for related purposes.
Message no. 705, dated 18 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to deal with consequential and transitional matters arising from the enactment of the Charities Act 2013, and for other purposes.
The Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy) 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 Lundy moved—That these bills be now read a second time.
On the motion of Senator Lundy the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.
27 Customs Amendment (Anti-Dumping Measures) Bill 2013
Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Amendment Bill 2013

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:

Message no. 699, dated 17 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend the Customs Act 1901, and for related purposes.


The Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy) 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 Lundy moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Lundy the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

28 Marriage Amendment (Celebrant Administration and Fees) Bill 2013
Marriage (Celebrant Registration Charge) Bill 2013

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:

Message no. 708, dated 18 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend the Marriage Act 1961 in relation to celebrants, and for other purposes.

Message no. 707, dated 18 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to impose celebrant registration charge, and for related purposes.

The Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy) 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 Lundy moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Lundy the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

29 Australian Capital Territory Water Management Legislation Amendment Bill 2013
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Law Enforcement Integrity, Vulnerable Witness Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2013
Migration Amendment (Offshore Resources Activity) Bill 2013
Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Bill 2013
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Public Housing Tenants' Support) Bill 2013
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2013 Measures No. 1) Bill 2013

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:

Message no. 702, dated 17 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to the management and regulation of water resources by the Australian Capital Territory, and for related purposes.

Message no. 701, dated 17 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend various Acts relating to criminal law and law enforcement, and for other purposes.
Message no. 697, dated 17 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend the Migration Act 1958, and for other purposes.
Message no. 703, dated 18 June 2013—A Bill for an Act about the governance, performance and accountability of, and the use and management of public resources by, the Commonwealth, Commonwealth entities and Commonwealth companies, and for related purposes.
Message no. 700, dated 17 June 2013—A Bill for an Act to amend the social security law and the family assistance law, and for related purposes.
The Minister for Sport (Senator Lundy) 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 Lundy moved—that these bills be now read a second time.

Explanatory memorandum: Senator Lundy tabled a revised explanatory memorandum relating to the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Bill 2013.

On the motion of Senator Lundy the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.
Consideration of legislation: Senator Lundy moved—that the bills be listed on the Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.
Question put and passed.

30 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Report—Marriage Amendment (Celebrant Administration and Fees) Bill 2013 and a Related Bill
Pursuant to order, Senator Polley, 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 Polley.

31 Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee—Report—Student Identifiers Bill 2013
Pursuant to order, Senator Polley, 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 Polley.
32 ORDER OF BUSINESS—REARRANGEMENT
Senator McEwen, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (Senator Heffernan), moved—That business of the Senate order of the day no. 3, relating to the presentation of the final report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on Auditor-General’s reports nos 26 of 2007-08 and 22 of 2012-13 in relation to the Tasmanian forest industry, be postponed till a later hour.
Question put and passed.

33 CONSTITUTION ALTERATION (LOCAL GOVERNMENT) 2013
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations (Senator Collins)—That this bill be now read a second time—and on the amendment moved by Senator Brandis (see entry no. 4).
Debate resumed.
At 6.50 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Back was speaking.

34 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE—REPORT—AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS NOS 26 OF 2007-08 AND 22 OF 2012-13 IN RELATION TO THE TASMANIAN FOREST INDUSTRY
Pursuant to order, Senator Back, at the request of 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—Auditor-General’s reports on Tasmanian forestry grants programs—Report, dated June 2013, Hansard record of proceedings, documents presented to the committee, additional information and submissions.
Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Back.
Senator Back, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the report.
Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Back in continuation.

35 GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS—CONSIDERATION
The government documents tabled earlier today (see entry no. 2) and general business orders of the day nos 65 to 76 relating to government documents were called on but no motion was moved.

36 ADJOURNMENT
The Deputy President (Senator Parry) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

Document: Senator Ludlam, by leave, tabled the following document:
Debate continued.
The Senate adjourned at 7.30 pm till Thursday, 20 June 2013 at 9.30 am.

37 ATTENDANCE
Present, all senators.

ROSEMARY LAING
Clerk of the Senate