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1 **MEETING OF SENATE**

The Senate met at 9.30 am. The President (Senator the Honourable Stephen Parry) took the chair, read prayers and made an acknowledgement of country.

2 **DOCUMENTS**

The following documents were tabled by the Clerk pursuant to statute:

[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.]

- **Medical Research Future Fund Act 2015**—Medical Research Future Fund (Amount to be Transferred from the Health and Hospitals Fund) Determination 2015 [F2015L01412].

The following document was tabled by the Clerk pursuant to the order of the Senate of 30 May 1996, as amended:

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2015—Statement of compliance—Fair Work Commission.

3 **COMMITTEES—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING**

Committees were authorised to meet during the sitting of the Senate today, as follows:

- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee—private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1), from 10 am, for the committee’s inquiry into the International Aid (Promoting Gender Equality) Bill 2015.
- Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—private briefing, from 12.30 pm.

4 **VACANCY IN THE REPRESENTATION OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

The President announced the resignation today of Senator Wright and advised the Senate that, pursuant to section 21 of the Constitution, he had notified the Governor of South Australia that there was a vacancy in the representation of that state.

**Documents:** The President tabled the following documents:

- Vacancy in the representation of South Australia—Letters from—Senator Wright to the President, dated 10 September 2015.
- President of the Senate to the Governor of South Australia (His Excellency the Honourable Hieu Van Le, AO), dated 10 September 2015 [copy].
5 THE NATIONALS WHIP—APPOINTMENT

The Leader of The Nationals in the Senate (Senator Scullion), by leave, informed the Senate of the appointment of Senator Canavan as The Nationals Whip.

6 SOCIAL SECURITY (ADMINISTRATION) AMENDMENT (CONSUMER LEASE EXCLUSION) BILL 2015

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Cameron—That this bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 36

Senators—

Bilyk Brown Bullock Cameron Conroy Dustyari Day Di Natale Gallacher

Gallagher Hanson-Young Ketter Lambie Lazarus Leyonhjelm Lines Ladlam Ludwig

Madigan McAllister McEwen (Teller) McKim McLucas Moore Muir O’Neill Rhiannon

Rice Siewert Singh Sterle Urquhart Wang Whish-Wilson

NOES, 26

Senators—

Back Bernardi Birmingham Brandis Bushby (Teller) Canavan Cash

Colbeck Fawcett Fierravanti-Wells Fifield Heffernan Johnston Lindgren

Macdonald McGrath McKenzie O’Sullivan Reynolds Ruston

Ryan Scullion Seseja Sinodinos Smith Williams

Question agreed to.

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 Senator Cameron the bill was read a third time.

Time expired: The time for general business orders of the day for the consideration of bills reached the limit of 2 hours 20 minutes.

7 NOTICE

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

(a) notes that:

(i) 2 September 2015 marks a year since the Community Affairs References Committee tabled its report, Prevalence of different types of speech, language and communication disorders and speech pathology services in Australia, and

(ii) the Government is yet to respond to the report; and

(b) calls on the Government to respond to the report and its recommendations. (general business notice of motion no. 855)
8 SELECTION OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 11 OF 2015

The Chair of the Selection of Bills Committee (Senator Bushby) tabled the following report:

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 11 OF 2015

1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 9 September 2015 at 7.12 pm.

2. The committee resolved to recommend—That—
   (a) contingent upon its introduction in the House of Representatives, the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (More Generous Means Testing for Youth Payments) Bill 2015 be referred immediately to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 9 November 2015; and
   (b) the provisions of the Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (Better Targeting the Income Tax Transparency Laws) Bill 2015 be referred immediately to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 12 October 2015.

3. The committee resolved to recommend—That the following bills not be referred to committees:
   Aged Care Amendment (Independent Complaints Arrangements) Bill 2015
   Australian Centre for Social Cohesion Bill 2015
   Banking Laws Amendment (Unclaimed Money) Bill 2015
   Fair Work Amendment (Penalty Rates Exemption for Small Businesses) Bill 2015
   Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Amendment (Inter-State Voyages) Bill 2015
   Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2015 Measures No. 4) Bill 2015.

   The committee recommends accordingly.

4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
   Australian Immunisation Register Bill 2015
   Australian Immunisation Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2015
   Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Country of Origin Food Labelling) Bill 2015
   Corporations Amendment (Publish What You Pay) Bill 2014
   Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2015
   Marriage Equality Plebiscite Bill 2015
   Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Caring for Single Parents) Bill 2014

David Bushby
Chair
10 September 2015.

Senator Bushby moved—That the report be adopted.
Question put and passed.
9 ORDER OF BUSINESS—REARRANGEMENT
The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That—
(a) government business order of the day no. 2 (Aged Care Amendment (Independent Complaints Arrangements) Bill 2015) be considered from 12.45 pm today; and
(b) government business be called on after consideration of the bill listed in paragraph (a) and considered till not later than 2 pm today.
Question put and passed.
Senator Fifield moved—That the order of general business for consideration today be as follows:
(a) general business notice of motion no. 850 standing in the name of Senator Siewert relating to parliamentary approval for Australian forces to be deployed to Syria; and
(b) orders of the day relating to documents.
Question put and passed.

10 PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS—CONSIDERATION
The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That the following general business orders of the day be considered on Thursday, 17 September 2015 under the order relating to the consideration of private senators’ bills:
No. 65 Higher Education Support Amendment (New Zealand Citizens) Bill 2015.
No. 69 Fair Work Amendment (Penalty Rates Exemption for Small Businesses) Bill 2015.
Question put and passed.

11 POSTPONEMENT
Business was postponed as follows:
General business notice of motion no. 854 standing in the name of Senator Muir for today, relating to the theft and export of Australian motor vehicles, postponed till 16 September 2015.

12 COMMITTEE—EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPORT
The following committee was granted an extension of time to report:
Education and Employment References Committee—Students with disability and the schools system, extended to 3 December 2015.

13 INDUSTRY—AUSTRALIAN STEEL INDUSTRY
Senator Rhiannon, also on behalf of Senators Madigan, Carr and Xenophon, amended general business notice of motion no. 845 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
(i) urgent action is needed to ensure that Australia does not lose its steelmaking capacity, in the wake of the global steel industry crisis, and
(ii) steel-producing nations are responding to the oversupply and dumping of sub-cost steel with a range of strategies that include increasing public procurement, restructuring and emergency safeguards in the form of temporary targeted tariffs; and

(b) calls on the Abbott Government to:

(i) immediately refer matters related to dumped sub-cost steel into Australia to the Anti-Dumping Commission for a preliminary report within three weeks to include an assessment of the possible harm to local industry, and options for action including duties and World Trade Organization emergency safeguards,

(ii) ensure that the Anti-Dumping Commission is suitably resourced to pursue ongoing improvements to Australia’s anti-dumping system and reduce harm to local industry resulting from dumped imports,

(iii) work with the steel industry, unions, businesses and communities to minimise the impact on local jobs and living standards, particularly at the Port Kembla site in the Illawarra, from the world-wide over-supply of steel by developing:

(A) a constructive Steel Industry Plan, including comprehensive policies for improvements in Australian Industry Participation, and

(B) public procurement frameworks that include whole of life cost methods for assessing and determining procurement contracts,

(iv) prioritise structural adjustment and jobactive assistance to the Illawarra to minimise the impact on local jobs and living standards,

(v) reinstate the Local Employment Coordinator to assist steelworkers losing their jobs to retrain and gain alternative employment, and

(vi) continue the work of the International Trade Remedies Forum to address the need for ongoing improvements to Australia’s anti-dumping system, and any outstanding matters from the previous Government’s suite of reforms to streamline Australia’s anti-dumping system.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 34

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14 **ADMINISTRATION—CLIMATE CHANGE AUTHORITY**

Senator Waters, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 846—That the Senate—

(a) notes, with regret, the resignation of Mr Bernie Fraser as chair of the independent Climate Change Authority 2 years before the expiry of his 5 year term;

(b) congratulates Mr Fraser on his outstanding service as chair of the board and his contribution to the work of the Authority;

(c) notes that the Authority now no longer has a quorum; and

(d) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) immediately appoint a replacement chair to ensure that the board is able to function and allow the work of the Authority to proceed,

(ii) abandon its plan to abolish the Authority, and

(iii) stop ignoring the Authority’s advice on the need for ambitious pollution reduction targets to safeguard Australians’ way of life from dangerous global warming.

*Statement by leave:* The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

15 **ENVIRONMENT—CLIMATE CHANGE—PACIFIC ISLAND COUNTRIES**

*Motion determined as not formal:* Senator Waters requested that general business notice of motion no. 847 standing in her name for today, relating to the impact of climate change on countries in the Pacific islands, be taken as formal.

An objection was raised and the motion was not proceeded with as a formal motion.

16 **HEALTH—WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY AND RU OK DAY**

Senator McLucas, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 848—That the Senate—

(a) notes that Thursday 10 September 2015, is World Suicide Prevention Day and RU OK Day in Australia, and acknowledges that:

(i) the theme for World Suicide Prevention Day is ‘Preventing Suicide: Reaching Out and Saving Lives’, which is aimed at encouraging people to speak up and reduce the stigma of talking about suicide prevention safely, and

(ii) World Suicide Prevention Day and RU OK Day is an opportunity to build awareness of the support and services available to everyone who has been touched by suicide;
(b) recognises the great work of the National Coalition for Suicide Prevention to draw attention to this issue, to make a positive impact on the mental health and wellbeing of all Australians and to help build resilient communities that work together to prevent suicide;

(c) notes that:

(i) suicide rates remain unacceptably high, especially among vulnerable groups, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, young people and people from lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex [LGBTI] communities – nearly 2,500 people tragically die by suicide each year, with nearly twice as many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people dying by suicide than non-Indigenous people – and each day, seven people die by suicide in Australia,

(ii) the National Mental Health Commission’s final report on the review of mental health programs and services recommends the development of an evidence-based National Suicide Prevention Framework as a priority,

(iii) the Commission’s report was handed to the Government on 1 December 2014 but was not formally released by the Government until 16 April 2015 after it was embarrassingly leaked, resulting in a 4 month delay in any action in response,

(iv) the sector is becoming increasingly frustrated because of the Government’s lack of action on implementing any of the recommendations contained within the National Mental Health Commission’s report, and

(v) the mental health sector is facing difficulties because of the lack of funding certainty beyond June 2016, making it increasingly challenging for the sector to employ skilled workers and offer ongoing services to the people who need it most; and

(d) urges the Government to announce its plans for a transformed mental health system which will give certainty and confidence to people living with mental illness, their families and carers, and the organisations that support them in the very near future.

Statements by leave: The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) and Senator McLucas, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

The Deputy President (Senator Marshall) reminded senators of the Procedure Committee’s second report of 2011 and its consideration of standing order 66 relating to procedures for dealing with formal motions and in particular, statements being made by leave which may amount to de facto debate.

Question put and passed.

17 IMMIGRATION—TEMPORARY WORK VISAS

Senator O’Sullivan, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 849—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Temporary Work (Skilled) (subclass 457) visa is designed to enable employers to address labour shortages by bringing in genuinely skilled workers where they cannot find an appropriately skilled Australian, and
(ii) many employers, including those in the trade union movement, have utilised this program to address skill shortages in their workforces; and
(b) condemns the short-sighted view of those who label this program as a ‘form of slavery’ and not a vital tool in improving the productivity of Australian businesses.

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

Question put.
The Senate divided—

AYES, 31

Senator—
Back  Fawcett  McGrath  Ryan
Bernardi  Fierravanti-Wells  McKenzie  Scullion
Birmingham  Fifield  Mun  Seselja
Bushby (Teller)  Heffernan  Nash  Sinodinos
Canavan  Johnston  O’Sullivan  Smith
Cash  Leyonhjelm  Reynolds  Wang
Colbeck  Lindgren  Ronaldson  Williams
Day  Macdonald  Ruston

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Senator—
Bilyk  Gallacher  Ludwig  Rhiannon
Brown  Gallagher  Madigan  Rice
Bullock  Hanson-Young  McAllister  Siewert
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Carr  Lambie  McKim  Steer
Connolly  Lazarus  McLucas  Urquhart
Dastyari  Lines  Moore  Waters
Di Natale  Ladlam  O’Neill  Whish-Wilson

Question negatived.

18 INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS—NINDJI NINDJI ABORIGINAL ARTS AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 851—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) the Nindji Nindji Aboriginal arts and music festival, the only one of its kind in the Pilbara, has been running in South Hedland since 1996, and
   (ii) due to funding cuts by the Federal Government the Nindji Nindji Festival did not occur in 2015;

(b) acknowledges that:
   (i) remaining connected to culture is essential in ensuring wellbeing and positive outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and
   (ii) important cultural events like the Nindji Nindji Festival are integral in helping Australia move towards reconciliation; and

(c) calls on the Government to reinstate funding to ensure that this important cultural event occurs in 2016.
Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

19 TRANSPORT—QANTAS GROUP

Senator Back, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 852—That the Senate—

(a) recognises the excellent performance and financial turnaround of the Qantas group;
(b) notes that:
   (i) all sectors in the group returned a profit,
   (ii) Qantas posted an annual profit before tax for 2014-15 of $975 million,
   (iii) Qantas is placing orders for eight new 787-9 long range aircraft,
   (iv) shareholders will receive a return of $505 million,
   (v) Qantas negotiated new industrial agreements with pilots, and
   (vi) the Australian Government’s abolition of the carbon tax saved Qantas $116 million; and
(c) calls on all members and senators in the Australian Parliament to celebrate the achievements of our national carrier and support it into the future.

Statements by leave: Senators Moore, Rice and Back, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 31

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Question agreed to.
20 **HEALTH—WORLD SUICIDE PREVENTION DAY**

Senator Lazarus, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 853—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) Thursday, 10 September 2015, is World Suicide Prevention Day, and
   (ii) this day is an awareness day to provide worldwide commitment and action to prevent suicide;

(b) recognises and commends the organisers of World Suicide Prevention Day, both in Australia and internationally, who are working to bring communities together to:
   (i) reduce the stigma associated with mental health issues,
   (ii) increase the awareness of mental health issues, and
   (iii) constructively work towards eliminating the incidence of suicide;

(c) acknowledges that:
   (i) on average seven Australians commit suicide every day, of whom 75 per cent are male, and
   (ii) Queensland has the second highest suicide rate in the country; and

(d) calls on the Government to increase its efforts to assist mental health organisations, government agencies and other service providers to increase public awareness of mental health issues and enhance the scope, delivery and availability of support services to the Australian community to reduce suicide rates across the country.

*Statement by leave*: Senator Lazarus, by leave, made a statement relating to the motion. Question put and passed.

21 **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Smith) informed the Senate that the President had received letters requesting changes in the membership of committees. The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, moved—That senators be discharged from and appointed to committees as follows:

- **Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee**—
  Discharged—Senator O’Sullivan
  Appointed—Senator Johnston

- **Environment and Communications References Committee**—
  Appointed—
  Substitute member: Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Waters for the committee’s inquiry into large capacity fishing vessels
  Participating member: Senator Waters

- **Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee**—
  Appointed—Senator McKim

- **Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory Committee**—
  Discharged—Senator O’Sullivan
  Appointed—Senator Johnston
Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—
  Discharged—Senator O’Sullivan
  Appointed—
    Senators Lindgren and McKim
    Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

Publications—Standing Committee—
  Discharged—Senator O’Sullivan
  Appointed—Senator Reynolds.

Question put and passed.

A message from the House of Representatives was reported informing the Senate of the appointment of a member of the House of Representatives to the Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade, as follows:

Message no. 447, dated 9 September 2015—Mr Varvaris.

22 Water Amendment Bill 2015

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)—That this bill be now read a second time—and on the amendment moved by Senator Rhiannon:

At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate is of the opinion that water purchases managed under the Act should be driven by an evidence-based approach premised on the latest climate and hydrological science”.

Debate resumed.

At 12.45 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Fawcett was speaking.

23 Aged Care Amendment (Independent Complaints Arrangements) Bill 2015

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)—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 Senator Fifield the bill was read a third time.

24 Water Amendment Bill 2015

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)—That this bill be now read a second time—and on the amendment moved by Senator Rhiannon (see entry no. 22).

Debate resumed.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put and passed.

Main question, as amended, put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Senate resolved itself into committee for the consideration of the bill.
In the committee

Bill taken as a whole by leave.

Senator Leyonhjelm moved the following amendments together by leave:

Schedule 1, Part 1, page 5 (after line 12), at the end of the Part, add:

2A Subsection 86AE(2)
Omit “Paragraphs 105(3)(b) and (4)(b)”, substitute “Paragraphs 105(4)(b)”. 

2B Subsection 105(3)
Repeal the subsection, substitute:
(1) The functions of the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder are to be performed for the purpose of achieving the objects of this Act.

2C At the end of subsection 105(4)
Add:
Note: This subsection is modified in relation to water access rights acquired by the Commonwealth with amounts debited from the Water for the Environment Special Account (see subsection 86AE(2)).

2D Subsection 106(1)
Repeal the subsection, substitute:
(1) The Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder must not dispose of water and Commonwealth environmental water holdings during a water accounting period unless the water or the water holdings are not required in the water accounting period to meet the objectives of:
(a) if the water is in, or the water holdings relate to water in, the Murray-Darling Basin—the environmental watering plan; or
(b) if the water is in, or the water holdings relate to water in, an area outside the Murray-Darling Basin—any plans specified in the regulations in relation to that area; or
(c) any applicable environmental watering schedules.

Schedule 1, Part 2, page 6 (before line 3), before item 3, insert:

3A Subsection 6.04(2) (note)
Repeal the note.

3B Paragraph 6.05(3)(a)
Omit “143 GL”, substitute “128.7 GL”.

3C Paragraph 6.05(3)(b)
Omit “425.3 GL”, substitute “382.8 GL”.

3D Paragraph 6.05(3)(c)
Omit “458 GL”, substitute “412.2 GL”.

3E Paragraph 6.05(3)(d)
Omit “82.8 GL”, substitute “74.5 GL”.

3F Paragraph 6.05(3)(e)
Omit “4.9 GL”, substitute “4.4 GL”.

Debate ensued.
At 2 pm: The President resumed the chair and the Temporary Chair of Committees (Senator Gallacher) reported progress.

At 2 pm—

25 Questions
Questions without notice were answered.

26 Motions to Take Note of Answers
Senator Urquhart moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by ministers to questions without notice asked by Opposition senators today.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Senator Whish-Wilson moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Human Services (Senator Payne) to a question without notice asked by Senator Whish-Wilson today relating to the China-Australia Free Trade Agreement.
Question put and passed.

27 Committee Reports and Government Responses—Tabling and Consideration Pursuant to Standing Order 62(4)
Senator Ruston, at the request of the Chair of the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (Senator McKenzie), tabled the following documents:
Education and Employment Legislation Committee—Budget estimates 2015-16—Additional information received between 20 August and 9 September 2015—Education and Training portfolio.

Senator Ruston, at the request of the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams), tabled the following document:
Regulations and Ordinances—Standing Committee—Delegated legislation monitor no. 10 of 2015, dated 10 September 2015.
Document ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Ruston.

The Assistant Minister for Health (Senator Nash) tabled the following document:
Economics—The global outlook and the Australian economy—Ministerial statement by the Treasurer (Mr Hockey), dated 9 September 2015.

General business was called on.
29 DEFENCE—INVOLVEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN FORCES IN SYRIA—PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL

Senator Ludlam, at the request of Senator Siewert and pursuant to notice, moved general business notice of motion no. 850—That parliamentary approval should be required for Australian forces to be deployed to Syria.

Debate ensued.

At 6 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Macdonald was speaking.

30 DOCUMENTS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—CONSIDERATION

The following order of the day relating to documents was considered:

Australia’s welfare 2015—Twelfth biennial report. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document agreed to.

General business concluded.

31 COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES—ORDERS OF THE DAY—CONSIDERATION

The following orders of the day relating to committee reports and government responses were considered:

Economics References Committee—Report—Corporate tax avoidance – Part 1: You cannot tax what you cannot see—Corrigendum. Motion of Senator Canavan to take note of document agreed to.

Environment and Communications References Committee—Regulation of the fin-fish aquaculture industry in Tasmania—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Urquhart) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Economics References Committee—Future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry—Interim report. Motion of Senator Canavan to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator Ruston the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru—Select Committee—Taking responsibility: conditions and circumstances at Australia’s regional processing centre in Nauru—Report. Motion of Senator Gallacher to take note of report debated. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Hanson-Young in continuation.

Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Australian Citizenship Amendment (Allegiance to Australia) Bill 2015—Advisory report. Motion of Senator Fawcett to take note of report agreed to.

Economics References Committee—Report—Privatisation of state and territory assets and new infrastructure—Government response. Motion of Senator Canavan to take note of document agreed to.

Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory Committee—Inquiry into financial related crime—Report. Motion of Senator Singh to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—Review of administration and expenditure no. 13 (2013-14)—Australian intelligence agencies—Report. Motion of Senator Canavan to take note of report agreed to.


Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—151st report—Treaty tabled on 28 October 2014. Motion of Senator Canavan to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator Hanson-Young the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.


Economics References Committee—Future of Australia’s automotive industry—Interim report. Motion of Senator Carr to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Community Affairs References Committee—Out of home care—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Siewert) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Domestic violence in Australia—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Gallagher) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Community Affairs References Committee—Availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia—Interim report. Motion of Senator McEwen to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru—Select Committee—Report. Motion of Senator McEwen to take note of report debated. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Macdonald in continuation.

Economics References Committee—Future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry – Part 3: Long-term planning—Report. Motion of Senator McEwen to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator Ruston the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Use of unmanned air, maritime and land platforms by the Australian Defence Force—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher) to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Blind agreement: reforming Australia’s treaty-making process—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher) to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples—Joint Select Committee—Report. Motion of Senator Peris to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.
Community Affairs References Committee—Adequacy of existing residential care arrangements available for young people with severe physical, mental or intellectual disabilities in Australia—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Siewert) to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.


Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Incident at the Manus Island Detention Centre from 16 February to 18 February 2014—Government responses to interim and final reports. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of documents agreed to.

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Ability of Australian law enforcement authorities to eliminate gun-related violence in the community—Report. Motion to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator Ruston the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.


Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Domestic violence in Australia—Interim report. Motion to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

National Broadband Network—Select Committee—Second interim report. Motion to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Progress report—Implementation and administration of the National Disability Insurance Scheme—Government response. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Abbott Government’s Budget Cuts—Select Committee—First interim report. Motion of Senator Bilyk to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Incident at the Manus Island Detention Centre from 16 February to 18 February 2014—Interim and final reports. Motion of Senator Bilyk to take note of reports called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Ruston in continuation.

32 ADJOURNMENT
The President proposed the question—that the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
The Senate adjourned at 7.16 pm till Monday, 14 September 2015 at 10 am.
ATTENDANCE
Present, all senators except Senators Cormann* and Edwards* (*on leave).

ROSEMARY LAING
Clerk of the Senate