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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 **LAW AND JUSTICE—CIVIL PROCEEDINGS—DOCUMENTS**  
Senator Madigan, by leave, tabled the following documents:  

   - Law and justice—Civil proceedings—Correspondence between Senator Madigan and Bleyer Lawyers Pty Ltd, dated 15 April, 13 May and 10 June 2014.

3 **PRIVACY AMENDMENT (PRIVACY ALERTS) BILL 2014**  
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Singh—That this bill be now read a second time.  

   - Debate resumed.

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

   - Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

4 **PETITION**  
The following petition, lodged with the Clerk by Senator Boyce, was received:  

   - From 143 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to promote better employment pathways for people with disability, including by doubling the participation rate of people with disability in the public services by 2017.

5 **NOTICE**  
Senator Xenophon: To move on the next day of sitting—That the following matters be referred to the Community Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 27 October 2014:  

   - The current requirements for labelling of seafood and seafood products, with particular reference to the following matters:  
     (a) whether the current requirements provide consumers with sufficient information to make informed choices, including choices based on sustainability and provenance preferences, regarding their purchases;  
     (b) whether the current requirements allow for best-practice traceability of product chain-of-custody;  
     (c) the regulations in other jurisdictions, with particular reference to the standards in the European Union (EU) under the common market regulation (EU) No 1379/2013 Article 35;  
     (d) the need for consistent definitions and use of terms in product labelling, including catch area, species names, production method (including gear category), and taking into account Food and Agriculture Organisation guidelines;  
     (e) the need for labelling for cooked or pre-prepared seafood products with reference to the Northern Territory’s seafood country of origin regulation;  
     (f) recommendations for the provision of consumer information as determined through the Common Language Group process conducted by the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation;
whether current labelling laws allow domestic seafood producers to compete on even terms with imported seafood products; and

any related matters.

6 SELECTION OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—REPORT NO. 7 OF 2014

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

SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 7 OF 2014

1. The committee met in private session on Wednesday, 18 June 2014 at 7.20 pm.

2. The committee resolved to recommend—that—

(a) contingent upon its introduction in the House of Representatives, the provisions of the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Repeal) Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Economics Legislation Committee but was unable to reach agreement on a reporting date;

(b) the provisions of the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Bill 2014 and the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee but was unable to reach agreement on a reporting date;

(c) the provisions of the Carbon Farming Initiative Amendment Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 July 2014;

(d) contingent upon their introduction in the House of Representatives, the provisions of the Excise Tariff Amendment (Fuel Indexation) Bill 2014, the Customs Tariff Amendment (Fuel Indexation) Bill 2014, the Fuel Indexation (Road Funding) Special Account Bill 2014 and the Fuel Indexation (Road Funding) Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 July 2014;

(e) the Migration Amendment (Protecting Babies Born in Australia) Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 28 October 2014;

(f) the provisions of the National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 26 August 2014; and

(g) the provisions of the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2014 and the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 2) Bill 2014 be referred immediately to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee but was unable to reach agreement on a reporting date.

3. The committee resolved to recommend—that the following bills not be referred to committees:

Corporations Amendment (Simple Corporate Bonds and Other Measures) Bill 2014

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014.

The committee recommends accordingly.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the Save Our Sharks Bill 2014 to its next meeting.

Helen Kroger
Chair
19 June 2014.

Senator Kroger moved—that the report be adopted.

Senator Moore moved the following amendment:

At the end of the motion, add, “and, in respect of:

(a) the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Repeal) Bill 2014, the Economics Legislation Committee report by 4 September 2014;

(b) the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Bill 2014 and the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014, the Community Affairs Legislation Committee report by 26 August 2014; and

(c) the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2014 and the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 2) Bill 2014, the Community Affairs Legislation Committee report by 4 September 2014.”.

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved the following amendment to Senator Moore’s proposed amendment:

Omit paragraphs (a) to (c), substitute:

(a) the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Repeal) Bill 2014, the Economics Legislation Committee report by 7 July 2014;

(b) the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Bill 2014 and the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014, the Community Affairs Legislation Committee report by 24 June 2014; and

(c) the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2014 and the Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 2) Bill 2014, the Community Affairs Legislation Committee report by 23 June 2014.

Debate ensued.

Question—that Senator Fifield’s amendment to Senator Moore’s proposed amendment be agreed to—put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 30

Senators—

Bernardi
Birmingham
Boswell
Boyce
Bushby
Cash
Colbeck
Back
Edwards
Eggleston
Fawcett
Fierravanti-Wells
Fifield
Heffernan
Kroger (Teller)
Macdonald
Mason
McKenzie
Nash
O’Sullivan
Parry
Payne
Ronaldson
Ryan
Scullion
Seselja
Sinodinos
Smith
Williams

New senators—

Kroger (Teller)
Cash
Colbeck
NOES, 39

Senators—

Bilyk
Bishop
Cameron
Carr
Collins
Dastyari
Di Natale
Farrell
Faulkner
Furner

Gallacher
Hanson-Young
Hogg
Lines
Ludlam
Ludwig
Lundy
Madigan
Marshall
McEwen (Teller)

McLucas
Milne
Moore
O’Neill
Peris
Polley
Pratt
Rhiannon
Siewert
Singh

Stephens
Sterle
Thorp
Tillem
Urquhart
Waters
Whish-Wilson
Wright
Xenophon

Question negatived.
Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put and passed.
Main question, as amended, put and passed.

7 NOTICE OF MOTION WITHDRAWN

Senator Xenophon withdrew business of the Senate notice of motion no. 2 standing in his name for today, proposing a reference to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee.

8 POSTPONEMENT

Senator Hanson-Young, by leave, moved—That general business notice of motion no. 285 standing in her name for today, relating to asylum seekers from Iraq, be postponed till the next day of sitting.

Question put and passed.

9 ORDER OF BUSINESS—REARRANGEMENT

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That—

(a) the following government business orders of the day be considered from 12.45 pm today:

No. 3 Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment Bill 2014
No. 4 Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 2) Bill 2014
No. 5 Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2014 Measures No. 3) Bill 2014
No. 6 Tax Laws Amendment (Implementation of the FATCA Agreement) Bill 2014
No. 7 Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2014 Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Oil) Bill 2014
No. 8 Railway Agreement (Western Australia) Amendment Bill 2014
No. 9 Student Identifiers Bill 2014
No. 10 Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment (Mental Health and Other Measures) Bill 2014;
(b) business of the Senate order of the day no. 2 (Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Export of Live-stock to Egypt) Repeal Order 2014—motion for disallowance) be called on after consideration of the bills listed in paragraph (a) and considered till not later than 2 pm today; and

c) government business be called on after consideration of the motion for disallowance listed in paragraph (b) 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. 286 standing in the name of Senator Moore relating to the paid parental leave scheme; and

(b) orders of the day relating to government documents.

Question put and passed.

10 PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS—CONSIDERATION

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That general business order of the day no. 27 (Flags Amendment Bill 2014) be considered on Thursday, 26 June 2014 under the temporary order relating to the consideration of private senators’ bills.

Question put and passed.

11 POSTPONEMENTS

The following items of business were postponed:

General business notice of motion no. 271 standing in the name of Senator Di Natale for today, proposing the establishment of a select committee into the Abbott Government’s budget cuts, postponed till 23 June 2014.

General business notice of motion no. 283 standing in the name of Senator Whish-Wilson for today, relating to the Marrakesh Treaty, postponed till 23 June 2014.

12 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE—REFERENCE

Senator McEwen, at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (Senator Sterle) and 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 matter be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 3 December 2014:

Grain export networks, including the on- and off-farm storage, transport, handling and export of Australian grain, with particular reference to:

(a) the principles and practices underpinning an efficient grain supply chain from farm-gate to port;

(b) grain marketing and export arrangements and their impact on farm-gate returns;

(c) competition constraints on grain transport, storage and handling services;
(d) the extent to which transport, storage and handling arrangements are transparent and accountable; and

(e) any other related matter.

Question put and passed.

13 **EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT REFERENCES COMMITTEE—PROPOSED REFERENCE**

Senator Rhiannon, 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 matter be referred to the Education and Employment References Committee for inquiry and report by 27 November 2014:

Portable long service leave, with consideration given to:

(a) the creation of a nationwide portable workplace entitlement scheme for long service leave and any other appropriate entitlements, taking into account:

(i) the number of Australian workers in insecure work, and

(ii) increased workplace mobility and increasingly precarious working conditions;

(b) developing recommendations as to how any such scheme could be paid for and implemented, including:

(i) the role of existing portable long service leave schemes operating in some sectors, and

(ii) how the scheme should be coordinated and by whom; and

(c) any other relevant matters.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 11**

Senators—

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

**NOES, 48**

Senators—

Bernardi Collins Ludwig Pratt
Bilyk Edwards Lundy Ruston
Birmingham Eggleson Marshall Ryan
Bishop Farrell McEwen (Teller) Singh
Boswell Faulkner McKenzie Sinodinos
Boyce Fawcett McLucas Smith
Brown Fifield Moore Stephens
Bushby Furner O‘Neill Sterle
Cameron Gallacher O’ Sullivan Thorp
Carr Hogg Parry Tillem
Cash Kroger Peris Urquhart
Colbeck Lines Polley Williams

Question negatived.
14 **WORLD REFUGEE DAY 2014**

Senator Hanson-Young, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 269—That the Senate—

(a) acknowledges that 20 June 2014 is World Refugee Day, when all nations recognise the resilience and humanity of forcibly displaced people around the world;

(b) notes the vast and positive contribution that refugees have made and continue to make to Australian society;

(c) reaffirms Australia’s strong commitment to the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol in recognition of the need to restore hope to those seeking protection in our region; and

(d) calls on the Government to:

(ii) be more transparent and open about the conditions and circumstances experienced by asylum seekers in immigration detention centres controlled by the Australian Government,

(ii) establish independent and systematic monitoring of sites of immigration detention, and

(iii) take steps to prevent further incidents and improve safety and conditions for asylum seekers in immigration detention centres.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 11**

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

**NOES, 46**

Bernardi  Collins  Lundy  Ruston
Bilyk  Edwards  Marshall  Ryan
Birmingham  Eggleston  McEwen (Teller)  Singh
Bishop  Farrell  McKenzie  Sinodinos
Boswell  Fawcett  McLucas  Smith
Boyce  Fifield  Moore  Stephens
Brown  Farmer  O’Neill  Sterle
Bushby  Gallacher  O’Sullivan  Tillem
Cameron  Hogg  Parry  Urquhart
Carr  Kroger  Peris  Williams
Cash  Lines  Polley  
Colbeck  Ludwig  Pratt

Question negatived.
15 **HEALTH—PLAIN PACKAGING OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

Senator Xenophon, also on behalf of Senators Madigan and Di Natale, amended general business notice of motion no. 284 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—that the Senate—

(a) notes that cheap cigarettes are currently being sold in Australia, reportedly as low as $13 for a packet of 25 cigarettes, following the introduction of plain packaging for tobacco products; and

(b) calls on the Australian Government to:

(i) introduce a minimum floor price on cheap and/or cross-subsidised tobacco products to remove the cost differential, and

(ii) recognise the value of preventative measures such as Quitline and the National Tobacco Campaign, and increase funding accordingly to maximise the effectiveness of these measures and campaigns.

**Question put.**

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 11**

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**Question negatived.**

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

16 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—REFERENCE**

Senator Wright amended business of the Senate notice of motion no. 4 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—that the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 2 October 2014:

The ability of Australian law enforcement authorities to eliminate gun-related violence in the community, with reference to:

(a) the estimated number, distribution and lethality of illegal guns, including both outlawed and stolen guns, in Australia;

(b) the operation and consequences of the illicit firearms trade, including both outlawed and stolen guns within Australia;
(c) the adequacy of current laws and resourcing to enable law enforcement authorities to respond to technological advances in gun technology, including firearms made from parts which have been imported separately or covertly to avoid detection, and firearms made with the use of 3D printers;

(d) the extent to which the number and types of guns stolen each year in Australia increase the risk posed to the safety of police and the community, including the proportion of gun-related crime involving legal firearms which are illegally held;

(e) the effect banning semi-automatic handguns would have on the number of illegally held firearms in Australia;

(f) stricter storage requirements and the use of electronic alarm systems for guns stored in homes;

(g) the extent to which there exist anomalies in federal, state and territory laws regarding the ownership, sale, storage and transit across state boundaries of legal firearms, and how these laws relate to one another; and

(h) any related matters.

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

Question put and passed.

17 REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCES—STANDING COMMITTEE—DOCUMENT

Senator Kroger, at the request of the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Edwards), tabled the following document:

Regulations and Ordinances—Standing Committee—Delegated legislation monitor no. 6 of 2014, dated 18 June 2014.

At 12.45 pm—

18 PUBLIC GOVERNANCE, PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY AMENDMENT BILL 2014

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bill was read a third time.

19 TAX AND SUPERANNUATION LAWS AMENDMENT (2014 MEASURES NO. 2) BILL 2014

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bill was read a third time.

20 **TAX AND SUPERANNUATION LAWS AMENDMENT (2014 MEASURES NO. 3) BILL 2014**
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bill was read a third time.

21 **TAX LAWS AMENDMENT (IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FATCA AGREEMENT) BILL 2014**
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bill was read a third time.

22 **EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP FOR OIL) BILL 2014**
**CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP FOR OIL) BILL 2014**
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—That these bills be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.
Question put and passed.
Bills read a second time.
No amendments to the bills were circulated and no senator required that they be considered in committee.
On the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bills were read a third time.

23 **RAILWAY AGREEMENT (WESTERN AUSTRALIA) AMENDMENT BILL 2014**
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bill was read a third time.

24 **STUDENT IDENTIFIERS BILL 2014**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 to the Minister for Foreign Affairs (Senator Mason) the bill was read a third time.

25 **VETERANS’ AFFAIRS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (MENTAL HEALTH AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2014**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—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 Minister for Veterans’ Affairs (Senator Ronaldson) the bill was read a third time.

26 **AUSTRALIAN MEAT AND LIVE- STOCK INDUSTRY (EXPORT OF LIVE- STOCK TO EGYPT) REPEAL ORDER—PROPOSED DISALLOWANCE**


Debate resumed.

Closure: The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture (Senator Colbeck) moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Senate proceeded to divide—

The call for the division was withdrawn by leave.

Motion for closure, by leave, not proceeded with.

Debate continued.

Closure: The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That the question be now put.

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

AYES, 47

Senators—

Back
Bernardi
Birmingham
Boyce
Brown
Bushby (Teller)
Cameron
Cash
Colbeck
Collins
Cormann
Dastyari

Edwards
Farrell
Faulkner
Fawcett
Fifield
Gallacher
Johnston
Kroger
Lines
Ludwig
Lundy

Marshall
Mason
McEwen
McKenzie
McLucas
Moore
Nash
O’Neill
O’Sullivan
Parry
Peris

Ryan
Seselja
Singh
Sinodinos
Smith
Stephens
Sterle
Thorp
Tillem
Urquhart
Williams

NOES, 9

Senators—

Di Natale
Hanson-Young
Ludlam

Milne
Rhiannon
Siewert (Teller)
Waters
Whish-Wilson
Wright

Question agreed to.

Main question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 9

Senators—

Di Natale
Hanson-Young
Ludlam

Milne
Rhiannon
Siewert (Teller)
Waters
Whish-Wilson
Wright

NOES, 38

Senators—

Back
Bernardi
Birmingham
Boyce
Brown
Bushby (Teller)
Cash
Colbeck
Collins
Cormann
Dastyari

Edwards
Farrell
Faulkner
Fawcett
Fifield
Gallacher
Johnston
Kroger
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Ludwig
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Macdonald
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McKenzie
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Sinodinos
Smith
Stephens
Sterle
Thorp
Tillem
Urquhart
Williams

Question negatived.

27 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (GREEN ARMY PROGRAMME) BILL, 2014

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham)—That this bill be now read a second time—and on the amendment moved by Senator Siewert:

At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate:

(a) notes the recent reduction to Landcare funding:
(b) regrets that the Green Army Programme funding allocation will in part replace the funding that was previously available to Natural Resource Management groups to undertake high quality conservation work and that the net effect of this program will be to transfer funding from skilled Natural Resource Management workers with a long-term focus, to unskilled, work-for-the-dole-style volunteers and short-term projects; and

(c) condemns the Government for introducing a program that will reduce the funding available for conservation in Australia”.

Debate resumed.
Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put and negatived.
Main 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 Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) the bill was read a third time.

Suspension of sitting: On the motion of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) the sitting of the Senate was suspended at 1.57 pm till 2 pm.

At 2 pm—

28 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were answered.

29 MOTIONS TO TAKE NOTE OF ANSWERS

Senator McLucas moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Assistant Minister for Health (Senator Nash) to questions without notice asked by Senators Peris and McLucas today relating to co-payments for medical services.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Senator Hanson-Young moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Employment (Senator Abetz) to a question without notice asked by Senator Hanson-Young today relating to asylum seekers from Iraq.

Question put and passed.

30 WOMEN—APEC WOMEN IN THE ECONOMY FORUM—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—DOCUMENT

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Services (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) tabled the following document:

Women—APEC Women in the Economy Forum—Ministerial statement by the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Women (Senator Cash), dated 18 June 2014.
31 **TRANSPORT—AVIATION SAFETY REGULATION REVIEW—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—DOCUMENTS**

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Services (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) tabled the following documents:

- Transport—Aviation—Australian Government’s aviation safety regulation review—Ministerial statement by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development (Mr Truss), dated 3 June 2014.
- Report, dated May 2014.

32 **TRADE—WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION—MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—DOCUMENTS**

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Services (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) tabled the following documents:

- Trade—World Trade Organization Agreement on Trade Facilitation—Ministerial statement by the Minister for Trade and Investment (Mr Robb), dated 18 June 2014.
- Treaty—Multilateral—World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Trade Facilitation, Text as adopted at Bali on 7 December 2013—Text, together with national interest analysis and annexure.

33 **ECONOMICS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—TICKET SCALPING**

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Services (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) tabled the following document:


34 **EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—GOVERNMENT RESPONSE—PROVISION OF CHILDCARE**

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Social Services (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) tabled the following document:


35 **AUDITOR-GENERAL—AUDIT REPORTS NOS 41 TO 46 OF 2013-14—DOCUMENTS**

The Deputy President (Senator Parry) tabled the following documents:

- Auditor-General—Audit reports for 2013-14—
  - No. 41—Performance audit—Commercialisation Australia Program: Department of Industry.
  - No. 42—Performance audit—Screening of international mail: Department of Agriculture; Australian Customs and Border Protection Service.
  - No. 44—Financial statement audit—Interim phase of the audits of the financial statements of major general government sector agencies for the year ending 30 June 2014.
No. 45—Performance audit—Initiatives to support the delivery of services to Indigenous Australians: Department of Human Services.

No. 46—Performance audit—Administration of residential care payments: Department of Veterans’ Affairs.

36 **ABBOTT GOVERNMENT’S COMMISSION OF AUDIT—SELECT COMMITTEE—REPORT**

Pursuant to order, the Chair of the Select Committee on the Abbott Government’s Commission of Audit (Senator Di Natale) tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Di Natale.

Senator Di Natale, by leave, moved—that the Senate take note of the report.

Debate ensued.

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

37 **SCRUTINY OF BILLS—STANDING COMMITTEE—6TH REPORT AND ALERT DIGEST NO. 6 OF 2014**

The Chair of the Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills (Senator Polley) tabled the following report and document:

- Scrutiny of Bills—Standing Committee—
  - Alert Digest No. 6 of 2014, dated 18 June 2014.

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

38 **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—442ND AND 443RD REPORTS**

Senator Smith, on behalf of the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit, tabled the following reports:

- Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee—

*Statement by leave:* Senator Smith, by leave, made a statement relating to the appointment of the Independent Auditor of the Australian National Audit Office.

39 **HUMAN RIGHTS—JOINT STATUTORY COMMITTEE—7TH REPORT OF 44TH PARLIAMENT**

The Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights (Senator Smith) tabled the following report:

- Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee—7th report of 44th Parliament—
  Examination of legislation in accordance with the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*—Bills introduced 13 to 29 May 2014 and legislative instruments received 8 March to 30 May 2014, dated June 2014.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator Smith.
Senator Smith, by leave, moved—that the Senate take note of the report. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.

40 **EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—ESTIMATES**

Senator McKenzie, at the request of the Chair of the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (Senator Back), tabled the following documents:

Additional estimates 2013-14—Education and Employment Legislation Committee—Additional information received between 15 May and 18 June 2014—Education portfolio.

41 **DOCUMENTS**

The following documents were tabled by the Clerk:

[Literary 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.]

- **Civil Aviation Act 1988**—
  - Civil Aviation Order 82.6—Exemption — initial NVG pilot flight training prerequisites—CASA EX37/14 [F2014L00737].
- **Crimes (Overseas) Act 1964**—Crimes (Overseas) (Declared Foreign Countries) Amendment Regulation 2014—Select Legislative Instrument 2014 No. 87 [F2014L00718].
- **Defence Act 1903**—Section 58B—
  - Payment or transfer of recreation leave credit—Defence Determination 2014/27.
- **Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment Act 2014**—Education for Overseas Students Amendment Commencement Proclamation 2014 [F2014L00709].
Export Market Development Grants Act 1997—
   Determination of the Balance Distribution Date for Grant Year 2012-13.
   Determination of the Initial Payment Ceiling Amount for Grant Year 2013-14.
Lands Acquisition Act 1989—Statement describing property acquired by agreement for specified purposes.
Private Health Insurance Act 2007—Private Health Insurance (Prostheses) Amendment Rules 2014 (No. 2) [F2014L00733].
Superannuation Act 1976—Superannuation (CSS) (Eligible Employees—Exclusion) Amendment Declaration 2014 (No. 1) [F2014L00729].
Superannuation Act 1990—Superannuation (PSS) Membership Inclusion Amendment Declaration 2014 (No. 1) [F2014L00727].
42 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Sterle) informed the Senate that the President had received a letter requesting changes in the membership of a committee.
The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham), by leave, moved—That Senator Siewert replace Senator Wright on the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for the committee’s inquiry into the provisions of the Australian Citizenship Amendment (Intercountry Adoption) Bill 2014, and Senator Wright be appointed as a participating member.
Question put and passed.

43 SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (INCREASED EMPLOYMENT PARTICIPATION) BILL 2014
A message from the House of Representatives was reported agreeing to the amendments made by the Senate to the following bill:

44 AUSTRALIAN WORKFORCE AND PRODUCTIVITY AGENCY REPEAL BILL 2014 ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION AMENDMENT (BILATERAL AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTATION) BILL 2014 FAMILY ASSISTANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (CHILD CARE MEASURES) BILL 2014 MIGRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 1) 2014
Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
Message no. 148, dated 18 June 2014—A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to family assistance, and for related purposes.
Message no. 140, dated 16 June 2014—A Bill for an Act to amend the Migration Act 1958, and for other purposes.
The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham) 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 Birmingham moved—that these bills be now read a second time.

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

Consideration of legislation: Senator Birmingham moved—That the bills be listed on the Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.
Question put and passed.

45 BUSINESS SERVICES WAGE ASSESSMENT TOOL PAYMENT SCHEME BILL 2014
BUSINESS SERVICES WAGE ASSESSMENT TOOL PAYMENT SCHEME (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2014

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:
    Message no. 146, dated 17 June 2014—A Bill for an Act to establish a scheme to make payments in relation to use of the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool, and for related purposes.
    Message no. 147, dated 17 June 2014—A Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters arising in connection with the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Act 2014, and for related purposes.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham) 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 Birmingham moved—That these bills be now read a second time.
On the motion of Senator Birmingham the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

46 OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE AMENDMENT (REGULATORY POWERS AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2014
OFFSHORE PETROLEUM AND GREENHOUSE GAS STORAGE (REGULATORY LEVIES) AMENDMENT BILL 2014

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

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham) 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 Birmingham moved—That these bills be now read a second time.
On the motion of Senator Birmingham the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

General business was called on.
Senator Cameron, at the request of Senator Moore and pursuant to notice, moved general business notice of motion no. 286—that the Senate—

(a) notes the division and dysfunction in the Coalition Government over the Prime Minister’s unaffordable and unfair Paid Parental Leave Scheme; and

(b) calls on the Government to release the details of the Prime Minister’s scheme, including its costs and modelling that quantifies productivity and distributional impacts.

Debate ensued.

At 6 pm: Debate was interrupted while the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment (Senator Birmingham) was speaking.

The following orders of the day relating to government documents were considered:


Productivity Commission—Report No. 64—Safeguards inquiry into the import of processed fruit products. Motion of Senator McKenzie to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator Urquhart in continuation.


Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)—Report for 2012-13, including report of the Science and Industry Endowment Fund. Motion of Senator Edwards to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Back the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.


Australian Customs and Border Protection Service—Report for 2012-13. Motion of Senator Macdonald to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Back the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.

Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation (ARPC)—Report for 2012-13. Motion of Senator Macdonald to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Back the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.

Director of National Parks—Report for 2012-13. Motion of Senator Edwards to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Back the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.


Productivity Commission—Report No. 68—Safeguards inquiry into the import of processed tomato products. Motion of Senator Bushby to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Urquhart the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.

Wet Tropics Management Authority—Report for 2012-13, including State of the Wet Tropics report. Motion of Senator Macdonald to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Back the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.

Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA)—Report for 2012-13. Motion of Senator Macdonald to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Back the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.


Productivity Commission—Report No. 66—Safeguards inquiry into the import of processed fruit products. Motion of Senator Bushby to take note of document agreed to.

Mid-year economic and fiscal outlook—2013-14—Statement by the Treasurer (Mr Hockey) and the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann). Motion of Senator Ludwig to take note of document debated and agreed to.

Productivity Commission—Report No. 65—Mineral and energy resource exploration. Motion of Senator Gallacher to take note of document called on. On the motion of Senator Bushby the debate was adjourned till Thursday at general business.

Defence Abuse Response Taskforce—Fifth interim report to the Attorney-General and Minister for Defence. Motion of Senator Brown to take note of document agreed to.


Treaties—Bilateral—Free Trade Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Korea (Seoul, 8 April 2014)—Text, together with national interest analysis, regulation impact statement and annexures. Motion of Senator McKenzie to take note of document agreed to.


Defence Abuse Response Taskforce—Sixth interim report to the Attorney-General and Minister for Defence. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till Thursday at general business, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Orders of the day nos 25 to 27 relating to government documents were called on but no motion was moved.

General business concluded.

49 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—Performance of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission—Interim report. Motion to take note of report moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.


Northern Australia—Joint Select Committee—Inquiry into the development of Northern Australia—Interim report. Motion of Senator Eggleston to take note of report agreed to.

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Current investigative processes and powers of the Australian Federal Police in relation to non-criminal matters—Report. Motion of Senator Waters to take note of report agreed to.

Environment and Communications References Committee—Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Thorp) to take note of report agreed to.

Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Senate order for departmental and agency contracts—Report. Motion of Senator Tillem to take note of report agreed to.

Education and Employment References Committee—Technical and further education system in Australia—Report. Motion of Senator Bilyk to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee—Implementation of the \textit{Defence Trade Controls Act 2012}—Progress report no. 2. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Eggleston) to take note of report agreed to.


Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Conduct of the 2013 federal election: Senate voting practices—Interim report. Motion to take note of report moved by Senator Faulkner and debated. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Macdonald in continuation.

Abbott Government’s Commission of Audit—Select Committee—Second interim report. Motion to take note of report moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

National Broadband Network—Select Committee—Interim report. Motion to take note of report moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Qantas’ future as a strong national carrier supporting jobs in Australia—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Sterle) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Australia’s overseas aid and development assistance program—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Stephens) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Breaches of Indonesian territorial waters—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Dastyari) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Education and Employment References Committee—Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2013 [Provisions]—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Lines) to take note of report agreed to.

Education and Employment References Committee—Government’s approach to re-establishing the Australian Building and Construction Commission—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Lines) to take note of report called on. On the motion of Senator McEwen the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Education and Employment References Committee—Effectiveness of the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy—Final report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Lines) to take note of report agreed to.

Environment and Communications References Committee—Direct Action: Paying polluters to halt global warming?—Report. Motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Thorp) to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Report—Aviation accident investigations—Government response. Motion of Senator Xenophon to take note of document agreed to.

Orders of the day nos 1 to 5, 8 to 10, 18, 20, 22 and 23 relating to committee reports and government responses were called on but no motion was moved.

50 **AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS—ORDERS OF THE DAY—CONSIDERATION**

Orders of the day nos 1 to 17 relating to reports of the Auditor-General were called on but no motion was moved.

51 **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Debate ensued.

The Senate adjourned at 7 pm till Monday, 23 June 2014 at 10 am.

52 **ATTENDANCE**

Present, all senators.

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**ROSEMARY LAING**

Clerk of the Senate