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1 MEETING OF SENATE
The Senate met at 10 am. The President (Senator the Honourable John Hogg) took the chair, read prayers and made an acknowledgement of country.

2 COURT OF DISPUTED RETURNS—ELECTION PETITIONS—DOCUMENTS
The President tabled the following documents:

Court of Disputed Returns—Election petitions—Orders disposing of petitions received from the Chief Executive and Principal Registrar of the High Court of Australia, dated 20 February 2014 and accompanying letter, dated 21 February 2014—Australian Electoral Commission v Johnston & Ors; Mead v Johnston & Ors; Wang v Johnston & Ors.

3 COMMITTEES—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING
Senator Kroger, by leave and at the request of the chairs of the respective committees, moved—That—

(a) the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate today, from 10 am to 11 am, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into the Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2013; and

(b) the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee be authorised to hold a private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sitting of the Senate today.

Question put and passed.

4 CLIMATE CHANGE AUTHORITY (ABOLITION) BILL 2013
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 Pratt:

At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate expresses concern over the impact of the abolition of the Climate Change Authority on the provision of independent advice to Government and the public on carbon pollution reduction targets and actions”.

Debate resumed.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

A division was called for.

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 14 November 2013 consideration of the matter was adjourned till after 12.30 pm (see entry no. 7).

5 CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION
The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, moved—That government business orders of the day nos 2 to 10 (Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 and 8 related bills) may be taken together for their remaining stages.

Question put and passed.
On the motion of Senator Fifield the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for a later hour.

7 **Climate Change Authority (Abolition) Bill 2013**

The order of the day relating to the motion of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)—That this bill be now read a second time—and the amendment moved by Senator Pratt (see entry no. 4)—was called on for the question on the amendment to be put.

Question—That the amendment be agreed to—put.

The Senate divided—

**AYES, 38**

- Bilyk
- Bishop
- Brown
- Cameron
- Carr
- Collins
- Dastyari
- Di Natale
- Farrell
- Faulkner
- Furner
- Gallacher
- Hanson-Young
- Hogg
- Lines
- Latham
- Ludby
- Marshall
- McEwen (Teller)
- McLachlan
- Milne
- Moore
- O’Neill
- Peris
- Polley
- Rhiannon
- Stiwer
- Singh

**NOES, 31**

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

Question agreed to.

Main question, as amended, put.
The Senate divided—

AYES, 32

Senators—

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NOES, 38

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Milne
Moore
O’Neill
Peris
Polley
Pratt
Rhiannon
Siewert
Singh
Stephens
Sterle
Thorpe
Tillem
Unquhart
Waters
Whish-Wilson
Wong
Wright

Question negatived.

8 CLEAN ENERGY LEGISLATION (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

OZONE PROTECTION AND SYNTHETIC GREENHOUSE GAS (IMPORT LEVY) AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

OZONE PROTECTION AND SYNTHETIC GREENHOUSE GAS (IMPORT LEVY) (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2013

OZONE PROTECTION AND SYNTHETIC GREENHOUSE GAS (MANUFACTURE LEVY) AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

TRUE-UP SHORTFALL LEVY (GENERAL) (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

TRUE-UP SHORTFALL LEVY (EXCISE) (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013

CLEAN ENERGY (INCOME TAX RATES AND OTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL 2013

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motions of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

At 2 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Macdonald was speaking.

9 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were answered.

10 QUESTION ON NOTICE—ANSWER AND EXPLANATION

Senator Ludlam, pursuant to standing order 74, asked the Minister representing the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield) for an explanation of an answer not being provided to question on notice no. 7 (notice given 12 November 2013) relating to the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

Senator Fifield provided an explanation.
Senator Ludlam moved—That the Senate take note of the explanation.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

11 MOTIONS TO TAKE NOTE OF ANSWERS

The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong) moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Assistant Treasurer (Senator Sinodinos) to questions without notice asked by Senators Wong and Carr today relating to Australian Water Holdings Pty Ltd.
Debate ensued.

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Document: Senator Carr, by leave, tabled the following document:
Administration—Australian Water Holdings Pty Ltd—Letter from the Chairman, Australian Water Holdings Pty Ltd (Mr Sinodinos) to the Chairman, Sydney Water Corporation (Dr Parry), dated 29 August 2011.

Debate continued.
Question put and passed.

Senator Ludlam moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) to a question without notice asked by Senator Ludlam today relating to homelessness.
Question put and passed.

12 NOTICES

Senator Siewert: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) the shark cull and the deployment of drum lines continues in Western Australia,
   (ii) at least two mako sharks have died after they were caught on the drum lines,
   (iii) the mako shark is listed as a migratory species under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act), and
   (iv) the Minister for the Environment (Mr Hunt):
      (A) has exempted the drum lines from the EPBC Act, and
      (B) says that ‘any breach of conditions will result in the exemption being terminated’; and
(b) calls on the Government to terminate the exemption of the drum lines from the EPBC Act. (general business notice of motion no. 135)

Senator Rhiannon: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) Transfield Holdings is a major sponsor of the 18th Biennale of Sydney,
   (ii) Transfield Holdings is a shareholder in Transfield Services,
(iii) Transfield Services is being paid $1.22 billion by the Australian Government to run offshore detention centres on Manus Island and Nauru,

(iv) five artists have pulled out of the Biennale of Sydney because of Transfield’s links to Australia’s cruel mandatory detention policies, and

(v) 28 Biennale artists have written to the Biennale board, urging it to cut ties with Transfield and to find new sponsors; and

(b) commends the courage and commitment to human rights of the Biennale artists who have both written to the board requesting new sponsors, and the artists who have pulled out of the Biennale of Sydney. (general business notice of motion no. 136)

The Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Macdonald): To move on the next day of sitting—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee on the Criminal Code Amendment (Harming Australians) Bill 2013 be extended to 28 May 2014. (general business notice of motion no. 137)

Senator Waters: To move on 5 March 2014—

(1) That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2014:

The history, appropriateness and effectiveness of the use of environmental offsets in federal environmental approvals in Australia, including:

(a) the principles that underpin the use of offsets;

(b) the processes used to develop and assess proposed offsets;

(c) the adequacy of monitoring and evaluation of approved offsets arrangements to determine whether promised environmental outcomes are achieved over the short and long term; and

(d) any other related matters.

(2) That in conducting the inquiry the committee consider the terms of reference in (1) with specific regard to, but not restricted to, the following projects:

(a) Whitehaven Coal’s Maules Creek Project;

(b) Waratah Coal’s Galilee Coal Project;

(c) QGC’s Queensland Curtis LNG project;

(d) North Queensland Bulk Port’s Abbot Point Coal Terminal Capital Dredging Project; and

(e) Jandakot Airport developments.

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

(a) notes that:

(i) meeting notes and draft decision documents released under Freedom of Information in regard to the Abbot Point Coal Terminal Capital Dredging Project have revealed that the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA):

(A) believed the Abbot Point dredging proposal in the form proposed at that time should be refused a Great Barrier Reef Marine Park permit for offshore dumping of dredge spoil,
(B) found offshore dumping of up to 1.6 million cubic metres per year for three separate dredging campaigns has the potential to cause long-term, irreversible harm to areas of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park, in particular seagrass meadows and nearby coral reefs of Camp Reef, Horseshoe Bay, Cape Upstart, and Holbourne Island,

(c) considered the North Queensland Bulk Ports dredge plume modelling for the offshore dumping to be of limited value, deficient and unreliable,

(d) considered that remnant and recovering seagrass meadows, such as those around Abbot Point, provide critical foraging refugia for struggling turtle and dugong populations,

(E) found the project could result in water quality in the region being in a degraded state for approximately the next 6 to 7 years, and

(F) clearly advised Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities officials in June 2013 that GBRMPA did not consider it practical or feasible to develop environmental offsets of the magnitude required to offset the damage caused to the reef by the proposed dredging and offshore dumping at Abbot Point, and that the project approval as proposed would involve conditions which are effectively unachievable, and

(ii) there do not appear to have been changes made to the proposed Abbot Point Coal Terminal Capital Dredging Project, since these concerns were raised by GBRMPA officials, that would address these concerns; and

(b) calls on the Minister for the Environment (Mr Hunt) to immediately revoke his approval of the Abbot Point Coal Terminal Capital Dredging Project. (general business notice of motion no. 138)

Senator Rhiannon: To move on the next day of sitting—

(1) That the following matter be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 18 March 2014:

A plan to support Qantas as a national carrier, and in doing so, the committee consider:

(a) what plan should be implemented to ensure Qantas remains a strong national carrier with jobs onshore, including options available to the Federal Government such as:

(i) a debt guarantee,

(ii) a debt guarantee with conditions to protect local jobs, wages, conditions and services,

(iii) a Federal Government loan,

(iv) an equity stake in Qantas, or

(v) any other forms of support;

(b) the levels and forms of government support received by other international airlines;

(c) the ownership structures of other international airlines; and

(d) the impact on Qantas workers and the wider community of the announced job cuts and other measures, such as a wages freeze for all employees and route cuts.
(2) That the committee hold at least one public hearing and invite the Chief Executive Officer of Qantas Airways to appear before the committee.

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

(a) notes, with concern, the decision of the Russian Parliament to authorise the use of force against Ukraine;
(b) supports the United Nations (UN) Secretary-General’s call for the preservation of Ukraine’s territorial integrity and sovereignty;
(c) urges all parties to exercise restraint, and to seek to resolve the situation peacefully; and
(d) calls on the Australian Government to work together with the international community, including as a member of the UN Security Council, to seek a peaceful resolution to the situation in Ukraine through dialogue. (general business notice of motion no. 139)

Senators Wright and McLucas: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes that the National Perinatal Depression Initiative, since 2008:
   (i) has improved the prevention and detection of antenatal and postnatal depression, and provided better support and treatment for expectant and new mothers experiencing depression, and in doing so has provided what experts have called ‘the ultimate two-for-one’ by ensuring the babies’ wellbeing in the course of supporting mothers at this critical stage of life, and
   (ii) has demonstrated Australia to be a world leader in terms of its support for, and treatment of, people experiencing perinatal depression;
(b) notes that the initiative is under review, and there is no clarity in relation to the future of its federal funding; and
(c) calls on the Federal Government to express whether it has a commitment to the support of new mothers and their children by continuing the National Perinatal Depression Initiative beyond the 2013-14 financial year. (general business notice of motion no. 140)

Senator Xenophon: To move on the next day of sitting—That, given the recently announced half-yearly losses of the Qantas Group, its plans to retrench 5,000 employees, and its requests for amendments to the Qantas Sale Act 1992 and a debt guarantee, the following matters be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 26 June 2014:

(a) the likely causes of Qantas’ decline in financial performance;
(b) whether the Qantas Sale Act 1992 is, or has been, an impediment to Qantas’ current and long-term financial viability, including the existing foreign ownership and foreign airline ownership restrictions;
(c) the effectiveness of the national interest and foreign ownership provisions in the Air Navigation Act 1920, and whether these provisions led to the greatest benefit for Australians;
(d) the ‘Open Skies’ policy and its impact on the competitiveness of the Australian aviation sector, including the policy’s role in shaping bilateral agreements and air navigation rights;
(e) the direct costs on Australian-domiciled air carriers, including airport charges and depreciation allowances, compared to foreign-based competitors; and
(f) any related matters.
The Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee (Senator Wright): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee be authorised to hold a private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sitting of the Senate on Wednesday, 5 March 2014, from 1.30 pm. (general business notice of motion no. 141)

Senator Fierravanti-Wells: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate authorises the publication of the unpublished documents provided to the former Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee by Fair Work Australia in relation to the Fair Work Australia report, Investigation into the National Office of the Health Services Union under section 331 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009. (general business notice of motion no. 142)

The Chair of the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (Senator Williams): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee be authorised to hold a public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Tuesday, 4 March 2014, from 6.45 pm, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into Australia Post. (general business notice of motion no. 143)

The Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on the National Capital and External Territories (Senator Brown): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Joint Standing Committee on the National Capital and External Territories be authorised to hold private meetings otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sittings of the Senate, on the following days:

(a) Thursday, 6 March 2014;
(b) Thursday, 20 March 2014; and
(c) Thursday, 27 March 2014. (general business notice of motion no. 144)

Senator Kroger: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters be authorised to hold public meetings during the sittings of the Senate, from 9.40 am, on the following days:

(a) Wednesday, 5 March 2014;
(b) Wednesday, 19 March 2014; and
(c) Wednesday, 26 March 2014. (general business notice of motion no. 145)

Senator Siewert: To move on the next day of sitting—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Native Title Act 1993 to further the interests of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islanders, and for related purposes. Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2014. (general business notice of motion no. 146)

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

(a) notes that:

(i) the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees’ position is that Australia should provide asylum seekers who enter Australia by whatever means with a full and efficient refugee status determination process in Australia, and

(ii) it would be significantly more cost-effective to process asylum seekers onshore as opposed to offshore;

(b) recognises that Australia:

(i) only has limited influence in ending the circumstances forcing people to flee their homeland and seek asylum,
must increase efforts overseas to do all it can to foster peace and stability in areas of conflict around the world, and

(iii) must also focus on what it can do to help the plight of asylum seekers in a balanced, dignified, safe and compassionate way; and

(c) calls on the Government to:

(i) strengthen relations and provide further assistance to Indonesia to stop people attempting the treacherous journey from Indonesia to Australia by boat,

(ii) increase our annual asylum seeker and refugee intake from Indonesia, and

(iii) process all asylum seekers onshore, at least in recognition of it being cheaper. (general business notice of motion no. 147)

Senator Di Natale: To move on the next day of sitting—That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, no later than noon on 17 March 2014, any reports received from the National Commission of Audit. (general business notice of motion no. 148)

The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move on the next day of sitting—That there be laid on the table by the Assistant Minister for Health, no later than 12.45 pm on Wednesday, 5 March 2014, a copy of the letter submitted by Mr Alastair Furnival to the Minister at the commencement of his engagement as her chief of staff containing undertakings on action to address conflicts of interest between his business affairs and his ministerial staff role. (general business notice of motion no. 149)

The Chair of the Standing Committee of Privileges (Senator Collins): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) endorse the conclusion at paragraph 1.57 of the 152nd report of the Committee of Privileges on a possible unauthorised disclosure of the draft report of the Select Committee on Electricity Prices; and

(b) adopt the recommendation that no contempt be found in respect of the matter referred. (general business notice of motion no. 150)

Senator Urquhart: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate expresses its sincere condolences to the family, friends and work colleagues of Mr Michael Welsh, who was tragically killed at work at the Mount Lyell copper mine on Tasmania’s west coast on Friday, 17 January 2014. (general business notice of motion no. 151)

13 PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS—CONSIDERATION

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That general business order of the day no. 9 (Landholders’ Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2013) be considered on Thursday, 6 March 2014 under the temporary order relating to the consideration of private senators’ bills.

Question put and passed.
14 LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPORT

Senator Kroger, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Macdonald), moved—that the time for the presentation of the report of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Regaining Control Over Australia’s Protection Obligations) Bill 2013 be extended to 18 March 2014.

Question put and passed.

15 POSTPONEMENTS

The following items of business were postponed:

Business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1 standing in the name of Senator Hanson-Young for 5 March 2014, proposing the disallowance of the amendments to the Migration Regulations 1994 made by the Migration Amendment (Unauthorised Maritime Arrival) Regulation 2013, postponed till 27 March 2014.

Business of the Senate notices of motion nos 2 and 4 standing in the name of Senator Hanson-Young for today, proposing references to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, postponed till 5 March 2014.

16 NOTICE OF MOTION WITHDRAWN

Senator Xenophon withdrew business of the Senate notice of motion no. 3 standing in the names of Senators Xenophon and Madigan for today, proposing a reference to the Economics References Committee.

17 LAW AND JUSTICE—UNDERAGE AND FORCED MARRIAGE

Senator Kroger, also on behalf of the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Women (Senator Cash) and Senators Moore and Waters, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 132—that the Senate acknowledges that:

(a) under age and forced marriage is a totally unacceptable illegal practice and will not be tolerated in Australia under any circumstances;

(b) the Australian Government is deeply concerned by this illegal practice and is keen to work jointly with state and territory governments on tackling this issue;

(c) under the Commonwealth Marriage Act 1961, it is an offence to solemnise a marriage where one or both parties is not of marriageable age;

(d) it is also an offence to go through a form of ceremony of marriage with a person who is not of marriageable age;

(e) under the Commonwealth Criminal Code, it is also an offence to force a person into marriage without their full and free consent through coercion, threat or deception;

(f) the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Slavery, Slavery-like Conditions and People Trafficking) Act 2013 has strengthened Australia’s response to slavery, slavery-like practices and human trafficking, including by criminalising forced marriage; and
(g) the Government provides support to victims of forced marriage through the Support for Trafficked People Program, which provides victims access to accommodation, financial support, counselling, medical treatment, legal and migration advice and interpreter services.

Question put and passed.

18 **HEALTH—CENTRAL AUSTRALIA—RENAL HEALTH**

Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 134—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) that poor kidney health continues to be a serious problem for Aboriginal people in Central Australia with an alarming growth in the need for dialysis both now and in the future,

(ii) the release of a report by the Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation and EY into Service Delivery Model of remote dialysis in Central Australia, and

(iii) that this report finds that the Western Desert Dialysis model of care:

(A) offers a unique combination of services and approach to patient care and community engagement that has allowed for significant success particularly in terms of patient participation,

(B) is cost effective,

(C) encourages higher patient participation rate,

(D) creates better clinical outcomes,

(E) offers higher levels of clinical safety, and

(F) supports people to be able to remain on country, which means that there is a greater prospect of children accessing education, adults contributing economically and communities remaining safe and stable; and

(b) calls on the Government to ensure that:

(i) the $10 million earmarked by the previous government for renal services is urgently spent on improving central desert infrastructure, and

(ii) a community approach to renal services is at the heart of any renal treatment strategy.

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

Question put and passed.

19 **NOTICE OF MOTION WITHDRAWN**

Senator Madigan withdrew business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1 standing in his name for today, proposing a reference to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee.
20 **LAW AND JUSTICE—MR EDWARD SNOWDEN—PROPOSED ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS**

Senator Ludlam, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 133—That there be laid on the table by the Attorney-General, no later than 2 pm on 6 March 2014, evidence to substantiate the Attorney-General’s claim to the Senate on 11 February 2014 that former National Security Agency contractor Mr Edward Snowden ‘has put Australian lives at risk’.

*Statements by leave:* Senator Ludlam and the Attorney-General (Senator Brandis), by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put and negatived.

21 **DISCUSSION OF MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE—ADMINISTRATION—ABBOTT GOVERNMENT**

The Deputy President (Senator Parry) informed the Senate that Senator Moore had proposed that the following matter of public importance be submitted to the Senate for discussion:

> The failure of the Abbott Government to be accountable and transparent.

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

*Documents:* Senator Ludwig, by leave, tabled the following documents:

- Immigration—Asylum seekers—Operation Sovereign Borders—
  - Budget estimates 2013-14 (Supplementary)—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Answer to question on notice SE13/0169.

Discussion concluded.

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

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following report received on 19 February 2014:


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

23 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—INTERIM REPORT—PUBLIC INTEREST IMMUNITY CLAIM**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following report received on 21 February 2014:

Extension of time to report: Senator McKenzie, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee (Senator Wright), moved—that the time for the presentation of the report of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee on a public interest immunity claim be extended to 6 March 2014.

Question put and passed.

24 RURAL AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS AND TRANSPORT REFERENCES COMMITTEE—INTERIM REPORT—FRESH PINEAPPLE IMPORTS—FRESH GINGER IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS—NEW ZEALAND POTATOES IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following report received on 28 February 2014:

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Effect on Australian pineapple growers of importing fresh pineapples from Malaysia—Effect on Australian ginger growers of importing fresh ginger from Fiji—Proposed importation of potatoes from New Zealand—Interim report, dated 28 February 2014.

Extension of time to report: Senator McKenzie, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee (Senator Sterle), moved—that the time for the presentation of the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on its inquiries into the effect on Australian pineapple growers of importing fresh pineapple from Malaysia, the effect on Australian ginger growers of importing fresh ginger from Fiji, and the proposed importation of potatoes from New Zealand be extended to 31 March 2014.

Question put and passed.

25 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE—INTERIM REPORT—CARE AND MANAGEMENT OF DEMENTIA

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following report received on 28 February 2014:

Community Affairs References Committee—Care and management of younger and older Australians living with dementia and behavioural and psychiatric symptoms of dementia (BPSD)—Second interim report, dated 28 February 2014.

Extension of time to report: Senator McKenzie, by leave and at the request of the Chair of the Community Affairs References Committee (Senator Siewert), moved—that the time for the presentation of the report of the Community Affairs References Committee on the care and management of younger and older Australians living with dementia and behavioural and psychiatric symptoms of dementia (BPSD) be extended to 19 March 2014.

Question put and passed.

26 GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents received on 21 February 2014:

Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC)—Equity and diversity—Report for the period 1 September 2012 to 31 August 2013.


27 **AUDITOR-GENERAL—AUDIT REPORT NO. 20 OF 2013-14—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following document received on 20 February 2014:


28 **INDUSTRY—SPC ARDMONA—REPORT ON GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following document received on 17 February 2014:

Industry—SPC Ardmona—Report on government assistance—Letter from the Minister for Veterans’ Affairs (Senator Ronaldson) to the Clerk of the Senate (Dr Laing), dated 13 February 2014, responding to the order of the Senate of 12 February 2014 and raising public interest immunity claims.

29 **IMMIGRATION—ASYLUM SEEKERS—OPERATION SOVEREIGN BORDERS—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents received on 21 February 2014:

Immigration—Asylum seekers—Operation Sovereign Borders—Letter from the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash) to the Clerk of the Senate (Dr Laing), dated 20 February 2014, responding to the order of the Senate of 13 February 2014 and raising public interest immunity claims, and attachment.

30 **IMMIGRATION—BORDER PROTECTION OPERATIONS—LIFEBOATS—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following document received on 21 February 2014:

Immigration—Border protection operations—Lifeboats—Letter from the Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash) to the Clerk of the Senate (Dr Laing), dated 21 February 2014, responding to the order of the Senate of 12 February 2014 and raising public interest immunity claims.

31 **INDEXED LISTS OF DEPARTMENTAL AND AGENCY FILES—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS**

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 30 May 1996, as amended, the Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

 Indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 July to 31 December 2013—Statements of compliance—

Finance portfolio. [*Received 26 February 2014*]

Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security. [*Received 28 February 2014*]
National Health Performance Authority. [Received 28 February 2014]
Safe Work Australia. [Received 18 February 2014]

32 DEPARTMENTAL AND AGENCY CONTRACTS—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS
Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 20 June 2001, as amended, the Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

Departmental and agency contracts for 2013—Letters of advice—
  Attorney-General’s portfolio. [Received 25 February 2014]
  Cancer Australia. [Received 27 February 2014]
  Defence portfolio. [Received 26 February 2014]
  Department of Health. [Received 27 February 2014]
  Department of Human Services. [Received 28 February 2014]
  Department of Veterans’ Affairs. [Received 26 February 2014]
  Education portfolio. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Finance portfolio. [Received 19 February 2014]
  Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio. [Received 28 February 2014]
  Independent Hospital Pricing Authority. [Received 28 February 2014]
  Industry portfolio. [Received 25 February 2014]
  National Blood Authority. [Received 25 February 2014]
  Organ and Tissue Authority. [Received 27 February 2014]
  Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio. [Received 28 February 2014]
  Professional Services Review. [Received 28 February 2014]
  Social Services portfolio. [Received 25 February 2014]
  Treasury portfolio. [Received 27 February 2014]

33 DEPARTMENTAL AND AGENCY APPOINTMENTS AND VACANCIES—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS
Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008, as amended, the Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies—Additional estimates—Letters of advice—
  Agriculture portfolio. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Communications portfolio. [Received 21 February 2014]
  Department of Human Services. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. [Received 28 February 2014]
  Department of Veterans’ Affairs. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Education portfolio. [Received 19 February 2014]
  Employment portfolio. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Environment portfolio. [Received 18 February 2014]
  Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio. [Received 14 February 2014]
  Immigration and Border Protection portfolio. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Infrastructure and Regional Development portfolio. [Received 17 February 2014]
  Treasury portfolio. [Received 27 February 2014]
34 **DEPARTMENTAL AND AGENCY GRANTS—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS**

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008, the Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents received on the dates indicated:

- Departmental and agency grants—Additional estimates—Letters of advice—
  - Attorney-General’s portfolio. [Received 21 February 2014]
  - Communications portfolio. [Received 21 February 2014]
  - Department of Education. [Received 17 February 2014]
  - Department of Employment. [Received 18 February 2014]
  - Department of Health. [Received 21 February 2014]
  - Department of Human Services. [Received 17 February 2014]
  - Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. [Received 28 February 2014]
  - Department of Veterans’ Affairs. [Received 17 February 2014]
  - Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio. [Received 19 February 2014]
  - Immigration and Border Protection portfolio. [Received 19 February 2014]
  - Organ and Tissue Authority. [Received 21 February 2014]
  - Social Services portfolio. [Received 20 February 2014]
  - Treasury portfolio. [Received 27 February 2014]

35 **CONSIDERATION OF DOCUMENTS**

Senator McKenzie, by leave, moved—that consideration of the committee reports tabled earlier today (see entries nos 22 to 25) be listed on the Notice Paper as separate orders of the day.

Question put and passed.

36 **VACANCY IN THE REPRESENTATION OF QUEENSLAND—CHOICE OF BARRY JAMES O’SULLIVAN—DOCUMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the original certificate of the choice by the Parliament of Queensland of Barry James O’Sullivan to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Joyce (see entry no. 53, 13 February 2014).

37 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS—CAMBODIA—DOCUMENTS**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following documents:

- Foreign affairs—Cambodia—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Cambodia (His Excellency Mr Sounry), dated 25 February 2014, responding to the resolution of the Senate of 13 February 2014 and attachments.

The Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Milne), by leave, moved—that the Senate take note of the documents.

Question put and passed.
38 ENVIRONMENT—QUEENSLAND—GREAT BARRIER REEF COASTLINE—DOCUMENT

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following document:

Environment—Queensland—Great Barrier Reef coastline—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for the Environment (Mr Hunt), dated 26 February 2014, responding to the resolution of the Senate of 12 February 2014.

Senator Waters, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the document.

Question put and passed.

39 ENVIRONMENT—TASMANIAN WILDERNESS WORLD HERITAGE AREA—DOCUMENT

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following document:

Environment—Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for the Environment (Mr Hunt), dated 28 February 2014, responding to the resolution of the Senate of 12 February 2014.

40 BUSINESS OF THE SENATE—1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2013

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) tabled the following document:

Business of the Senate—1 January to 31 December 2013.

Document ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator McKenzie.

41 TRADE—KOREA–AUSTRALIA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT—MODELLING—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education (Senator Ryan) tabled the following documents:

Trade—Korea–Australia Free Trade Agreement—Modelling—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), dated 3 March 2014, responding to the order of the Senate of 13 February 2014 and attachment.

42 COMMUNICATIONS—AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION—FUNDING—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENT—DOCUMENT

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Education (Senator Ryan) tabled the following document:

Communications—Australian Broadcasting Corporation—Funding—Letter from the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) to the Clerk of the Senate (Dr Laing), dated 3 March 2014, responding to the order of the Senate of 13 February 2014 and raising a public interest immunity claim.

43 ASIA PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM—AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION—DOCUMENT

Senator O’Neill, by leave, tabled the following document:

Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum—22nd annual meeting, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, 12 to 16 January 2014 and Mexico City, 16 to 19 January 2014, dated February 2014.

Senator O’Neill, by leave, moved—That the Senate take note of the document.

Question put and passed.
44 **ELECTORAL MATTERS—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—COMMONWEALTH ELECTION AMENDMENT (ABOVE THE LINE VOTING) BILL 2013—DOCUMENT**

Senator Kroger, on behalf of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters, tabled the following document:

Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Above the Line Voting) Bill 2013—Statement discharging the committee’s requirement to present a report.

Senator Kroger, by leave, moved—that the Senate take note of the document.

Question put and passed.

45 **ADMINISTRATION—AUSTRALIAN WATER HOLDINGS PTY LTD—ANSWER TO QUESTION—STATEMENT BY LEAVE**

The Assistant Treasurer (Senator Sinodinos), by leave, made a statement clarifying the answer he gave to a question without notice asked by Senator Carr today relating to Australian Water Holdings Pty Ltd.

*Statement by leave:* The Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong), by leave, made a statement relating to the matter.

46 **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.*

- Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998—Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (confidentiality) determination No. 3 of 2014 [F2014L00184].
- Civil Aviation Act 1988—Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Civil Aviation Order 40.3.0 Amendment Instrument 2014 (No. 1) [F2014L00145].
- Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998—Exemption—operations by paragliders in the Corryong Paragliding Open—CASA EX08/14 [F2014L00141].
- Exemption—recent experience requirements for night V.F.R. agricultural ratings—CASA EX12/14 [F2014L00173].
- Exemption—recognition of EASA type certification—CASA EX09/14 [F2014L00163].
Commissioner of Taxation—Public Rulings—


*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*—
Amendment of List of Exempt Native Specimens – Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery (deletion) (24 February 2014)—EPBC303DC/SFS/2014/06 [F2014L00185].
Amendment of List of Exempt Native Specimens – Eastern Tuna and Billfish Fishery (inclusion) (24 February 2014)—EPBC303DC/SFS/2014/07 [F2014L00186].
Amendment of List of Exempt Native Specimens – Queensland Mud Crab Fishery (19 February 2014)—EPBC303DC/SFS/2014/03 [F2014L00165].


*Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991*—
Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code — Standard 1.4.2 — Maximum Residue Limits Amendment Instrument No. APVMA 2, 2014 [F2014L00175].
Food Standards (Application A1081 – Food derived from Herbicide-tolerant Soybean Line SYHT0H2) Variation [F2014L00189].


*Migration Act 1958*—
Migration Regulations 1994—
Eligible Education Providers and Educational Business Partners—IMMI 14/007 [F2014L00146].
Eligible Passports—IMMI 13/158 [F2014L00155].
Statements under section 197AB—1 July to 31 December 2013 [101].


National Health Act 1953—
National Health Determination under paragraph 98C(1)(b) Amendment 2014 (No. 2)—PB 10 of 2014 [F2014L00144].
National Health (Highly specialised drugs program for hospitals) Special Arrangement Amendment Instrument 2014 (No. 2)—PB 11 of 2014 [F2014L00183].
National Health (Listed drugs on F1 or F2) Amendment Determination 2014 (No. 1)—PB 15 of 2014 [F2014L00171].

Navigation Act 2012—
Marine Order 70 (Seafarer certification) 2014—AMSA MO 2014/2 [F2014L00177].
Marine Order 73 (Ratings) 2014—AMSA MO 2014/5 [F2014L00181].


Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas Management Act 1989—Grant of exemptions under section 40—
   Qantas Airways Ltd—S40E65341642.
   Tiger Airways Australia Pty Limited—S40E38471038.
   Virgin Australia Airlines Pty Ltd—S40E89640864.
   Virgin Australia Regional Airlines Pty Ltd—S40E66430359.

Privacy Act 1988—Credit Reporting Privacy Code (CR code) [F2014L00170].

Private Health Insurance Act 2007—Private Health Insurance (Prostheses) Amendment Rules 2014 (No. 1) [F2014L00172].


Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973—
Remuneration and Allowances for Holders of Part-Time Public Office—Remuneration Tribunal Determination 2014/03 [F2014L00188].

Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988—
Section 34D – Variation of Criteria for Approval or Renewal of Approval as a Workplace Rehabilitation Provider (Rehabilitation Program Provider) (17 October 2012) [F2012L02075]—Revised explanatory statement.
Section 34S – Approval of Form of Application for Approval as a Workplace Rehabilitation Provider (Rehabilitation Program Provider) (17 October 2012) [F2012L02078]—Revised explanatory statement.

Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910—
National Land (Parking) Repeal Ordinance 2014 [F2014L00167].
National Land (Road Transport) Ordinance 2014 [F2014L00166].

Social Security Act 1991—
Social Security (Deeming Threshold Rates) Determination 2013 (No. 2) [F2013L01854]—Revised explanatory statement.
Social Security (Waiver of Debts — University of New South Wales approved course of education or study) Specification 2014 [F2014L00161].

Torres Strait Fisheries Act 1984—Torres Strait Prawn Fishery Management Plan 2008—Torres Strait Prawn Fishery Total Allowable Effort Determination 2014 [F2014L00143].

Veterans’ Entitlements Act 1986—
47 Departmental and Agency Contracts—Order for Production of Documents—Documents

The following documents were tabled pursuant to the order of the Senate of 20 June 2001, as amended:

- Departmental and agency contracts for 2013—Letters of advice—
  - Agriculture portfolio.
  - Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority.
  - Infrastructure and Regional Development portfolio.
  - National Health Funding Body.

48 Departmental and Agency Grants—Order for Production of Documents—Document

The following document was tabled pursuant to the order of the Senate of 24 June 2008:

- Departmental and agency grants—Additional estimates—Letter of advice—
  - National Health Funding Body.

49 Committee Membership

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) informed the Senate that the President had received a letter requesting changes in the membership of committees.

The Assistant Treasurer (Senator Sinodinos), by leave, moved—That senators be discharged from and appointed to committees as follows:

- **Abbott Government’s Commission of Audit—Select Committee**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Community Affairs Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Economics Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Education and Employment Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee**—
  Appointed [for the purposes of the committee’s inquiry into the 2013 election]—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Environment and Communications Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Finance and Public Administration Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation and References Committees**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

- **National Broadband Network—Select Committee**—
  Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan
National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—
Discharged—Senator McKenzie
Appointed—Senator O’Sullivan

Northern Australia—Joint Select Committee—
Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

Public Works—Joint Statutory Committee—
Discharged—Senator Boyce
Appointed—Senator O’Sullivan

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—
Discharged—Senator Boswell
Appointed—
Senator O’Sullivan
Participating member: Senator Boswell

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—
Appointed—Participating member: Senator O’Sullivan

School Funding—Select Committee—
Discharged—Senator McKenzie
Appointed—
Senator O’Sullivan
Participating member: Senator McKenzie.

Question put and passed.

50 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (EXCISE) LEVIES AMENDMENT (DAIRY PRODUCE) BILL 2014
A message from the House of Representatives was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bill:
Message no. 69, dated 26 February 2014—A Bill for an Act to amend the Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Act 1999, and for related purposes.
The Assistant Treasurer (Senator Sinodinos) moved—That this bill may proceed without formalities and be now read a first time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a first time.
Senator Sinodinos moved—That this bill be now read a second time.
Consideration of legislation: Pursuant to order, the debate was adjourned and the resumption of the debate made an order of the day for the first day in the next period of sittings.

51 TAX BONUS FOR WORKING AUSTRALIANS REPEAL BILL 2013
A message from the House of Representatives was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bill:
Message no. 67, dated 24 February 2014—A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes.
The Assistant Treasurer (Senator Sinodinos) moved—That this bill may proceed without formalities and be now read a first time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a first time.
Senator Sinodinos moved—That this bill be now read a second time.
On the motion of Senator Sinodinos the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

52 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP
A message from the House of Representatives was reported informing the Senate of changes in the membership of joint committees, as follows:
Message no. 68, dated 25 February 2014—
Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee—Mrs Prentice in place of Dr Stone.
Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—Dr Stone in place of Mrs Prentice.

53 CLEAN ENERGY LEGISLATION (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
OZONE PROTECTION AND SYNTHETIC GREENHOUSE GAS (IMPORT LEVY) AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
OZONE PROTECTION AND SYNTHETIC GREENHOUSE GAS (IMPORT LEVY) (TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS) BILL 2013
OZONE PROTECTION AND SYNTHETIC GREENHOUSE GAS (MANUFACTURE LEVY) AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
TRUE-UP SHORTFALL LEVY (GENERAL) (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
TRUE-UP SHORTFALL LEVY (EXCISE) (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
CUSTOMS TARIFF AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
EXCISE TARIFF AMENDMENT (CARBON TAX REPEAL) BILL 2013
CLEAN ENERGY (INCOME TAX RATES AND OTHER AMENDMENTS) BILL 2013

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motions of the Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield)—That these bills be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.

Senator Di Natale moved the following amendment in respect of the Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013:
At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate:
(a) rejects this bill and the related bills;
(b) recognises that:
(i) the world is on track for 4 degrees of warming, and
(ii) warming of less than 1 degree is already intensifying extreme weather events in Australia and around the world with enormous costs to life and property; and
(c) calls on the Government to:
(i) protect the Australian people and environment from climate change by approving no new coal mines or extensions of existing mines, or new coal export terminals, and
(ii) adopt a trajectory of 40 to 60 per cent below 2000 levels by 2030 and net carbon zero by 2050 emissions reduction target in global negotiations for a 2015 treaty”.

Debate ensued.
Document: Senator Wright, by leave, tabled the following document:

Debate continued.
At 9.50 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Rhiannon was speaking.

54 ADJOURNMENT
The Acting Deputy President (Senator Furner) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
The Senate adjourned at 10.27 pm till Tuesday, 4 March 2014 at 12.30 pm.

55 ATTENDANCE
Present, all senators.

ROSEMARY LAING
Clerk of the Senate