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1 **MEETING OF SENATE**

The Senate met at 12.30 pm. The President (Senator the Honourable Stephen Parry) took the chair, read prayers and made an acknowledgement of country.

2 **DOCUMENTS**

The following document was tabled pursuant to standing order 61(1)(b):


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

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

Civil Aviation Act 1988—Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 and Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998—Authorisations, approval, permission, directions and exemption—helicopter operations (Aeropower)—CASA 113/15 [F2015L01241].


Criminal Code Act 1995—


Higher Education Support Act 2003—Amendment No. 1 to the List of Maximum Grant Amounts under Division 41 for 2015 (Education) [F2015L01234].

Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989—Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Amendment (Registration Charges) Regulation 2015—Select Legislative Instrument 2015 No. 132 [F2015L01244].

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

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2015—Statement of compliance—Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security.

3 COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTING

A committee was authorised to meet during the sitting of the Senate, as follows:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) today, from 1.45 pm, for the committee’s consideration of the 2015-16 Budget estimates.

4 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The President informed the Senate that he had received letters nominating senators to be members of a committee.

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, moved—That senators be appointed to the Select Committee on the Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru, as follows:

  Senator Hanson-Young


Question put and passed.

5 MEDICAL RESEARCH FUTURE FUND BILL 2015
MEDICAL RESEARCH FUTURE FUND (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2015

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Human Services (Senator Payne)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

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

6 QUESTIONS

Questions without notice were answered.

7 TRANSPORT—WESTERN AUSTRALIA—PERTH FREIGHT LINK—ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—DOCUMENTS

The Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash) tabled the following documents:

  Transport—Western Australia—Perth Freight Link—Letters to the Clerk of the Senate (Dr Laing) responding to the order of the Senate of 10 August 2015 from—
  Assistant Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (Senator Cash), dated 11 August 2015.
  Assistant Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development (Mr Briggs), dated 11 August 2015.
  Chief Executive Officer, Infrastructure Australia (Mr Davies), dated 10 August 2015, and raising public interest immunity claims.
8 MOTIONS TO TAKE NOTE OF ANSWERS
Senator Lines moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Minister for Employment (Senator Abetz) to questions without notice asked by Senator Lines, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong) and Senator Cameron today relating to the unemployment rate and to penalty rates.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Senator Ludlam 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 Waters today relating to emissions reduction targets.
Question put and passed.

9 DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR JOHN PETER SIM, CBE
The President informed the Senate of the death, on 29 July 2015, of John Peter Sim, CBE, a senator for the state of Western Australia from 1964 to 1981.
The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, moved—That the Senate records its deep regret at the death, on 29 July 2015, of John Peter Sim, CBE, former senator for Western Australia, places on record its appreciation of his long and highly distinguished service to the nation and tenders its profound sympathy to his family in their bereavement.
The motion was supported and all senators present stood in silence—
Question passed.

10 PETITION
The following petition, lodged with the Clerk by Senator Siewert, was received:
From 6,296 petitioners, requesting that the Senate take action to end lethal shark control methods, including drum-lines and beach meshing programs.

11 NOTICES
Senator Rice: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) in April 2015, the Minister for the Environment up-listed Victoria’s animal emblem, the Leadbeater’s Possum, to critically endangered which is one category level prior to becoming extinct in the wild,
   (ii) the ‘Threatened Species Strategy Action Plan 2015-16 – 20 mammals by 2020’ released by the Government on 16 July 2015 states that emergency intervention is required for this species, and
   (iii) the scientific evidence states that the main threats to the Leadbeater’s Possum habitat are native forest logging and fire, and that fire risk is exacerbated by logging activity; and
(b) calls on the Government to:
   (i) take urgent action to immediately protect the Leadbeater’s Possum from extinction, including:
      (A) immediately listing the montane ash forests of the Victorian Central Highlands on the Register of Critical Habitat, and
(B) working with the Victorian Government to implement an immediate moratorium on logging in the native forests of Victorian Central Highlands, while the taskforce considering the future of logging in these forests carries out its investigations, and

(ii) scrap the Regional Forest Agreement which entrenches industrial scale clear fell logging in these forests. (general business notice of motion no. 792)

Senator O’Sullivan: To move on the next day of sitting—that the Senate notes:

(a) that the opportunity now exists for Australian mango growers—a $110 million a year industry that produces the best mangoes in the world—to nominate for export to lucrative markets such as the United States of America, China, Japan and Korea;

(b) that a key to increasing farm gate returns for Australian producers is through creating new trade opportunities for Australia’s agricultural sector;

(c) that since September 2013, the Government has achieved 42 key market access gains or restorations of suspended markets, and 14 key market access improvements or actions to maintain market access; and

(d) the knee-jerk reaction of the Australian Greens in opposing free trade agreements places in jeopardy Australian producers’ access to new markets and the growth of primary production export industries. (general business notice of motion no. 793)

Senator Rhiannon: To move on the next day of sitting—that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Education and Training, no later than 11 am on Wednesday, 19 August 2015, all documents held by the Government in relation to the modelling or costings of impacts of the Government’s proposed changes to higher education or funding for students, universities or other related changes regarding higher education not previously provided to the Senate, including but not limited to:

(a) the impact of removing caps on university fees charged to students;

(b) calculations of the potential impact on student fees, accumulated student HELP debt and loan costs, and interest rates where applicable;

(c) the effects of accumulated fee and loan costs for female graduates over their working lives;

(d) the level of public funding to public and for-profit higher and VET education providers, including the potential cost of cuts for individual institutions;

(e) cuts to course funding;

(f) the assessment of impacts of deregulation and funding on regional public universities; and

(g) access by lower income, regional and other students suffering disadvantage to a full choice of university courses. (general business notice of motion no. 794)

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield): To move on the next day of sitting—that the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Aged Care Act 1997, and for related purposes. Aged Care Amendment (Independent Complaints Arrangements) Bill 2015.

Senators Williams, Canavan and O’Sullivan: To move on the next day of sitting—that the Senate notes that:

(a) the beef industry is worth $8.5 billion to Australia;
(b) a report released by the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences [ABARES] shows that farm incomes are increasing for Australia’s beef producers;
(c) beef producers in northern Australia have enjoyed a 98.1 per cent increase or around 50 per cent above the average for the previous 10 years;
(d) beef producers in southern Australia have seen their farm cash income increase from $38 100 a farm in 2013-14 to $64 000 a farm in 2014-15;
(e) increases in the numbers of cattle sold for live export and higher prices have resulted in the farm cash income in the northern live cattle export region increasing from an average of $143 000 in 2013-14 to $277 000 in 2014-15; and
(f) the Australian Government’s free trade agreements with China, Japan and Korea, combined with the live cattle trade negotiations with China, ensure a strong and prosperous future for the beef industry. (general business notice of motion no. 795)

Senator Brown: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters be authorised to hold private meetings otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sittings of the Senate, from 9.40 am to 11 am, as follows:
(a) Wednesday, 12 August 2015;
(b) Wednesday, 19 August 2015;
(c) Wednesday, 9 September 2015;
(d) Wednesday, 16 September 2015;
(e) Wednesday, 14 October 2015;
(f) Wednesday, 11 November 2015;
(g) Wednesday, 25 November 2015; and
(h) Wednesday, 2 December 2015. (general business notice of motion no. 796)

Senator McKenzie, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong), the Parliamentary Secretary to the Attorney-General (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) and Senator Hanson-Young: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—
(a) notes:
(i) that netball is the largest female community-based sport in the world, with more than 70 nations competing and more than 21 million participants,
(ii) that netball is ranked as the leading women’s participation team sport in Australia for 15-24 year olds, boasting more than 350 000 registered members with an estimated 1.2 million people nationwide who are involved in the game as players, umpires, coaches and administrators,
(iii) the important role netball plays in empowering young women and girls through competitive sport and teamwork,
(iv) that the Netball World Cup is being held in Sydney, from 7 to 16 August 2015, with 16 nations playing a total of 64 matches over 10 days,
(v) that Australia has a strong record of success in World Cup matches, winning the sport’s first gold medal in 1963 as well as a total of 109 of its 116 World Cup matches, and securing a record 10 World Cups, and
(vi) that the Australian Government invested $300,000 to support the participation of qualified teams from Zambia, Uganda, Sri Lanka, Malawi and Samoa at the 2015 Netball World Cup, removing the financial barriers for these nations to ensure they can compete in Sydney; and

(b) wishes:

(i) the Australian Diamonds, led by captain Ms Laura Geitz and coach Ms Lisa Alexander, great success as they chase a record 11th World Cup in Sydney, and

(ii) a successful and enjoyable World Cup for Australia and the 15 other competing nations. (general business notice of motion no. 797)

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

(a) notes:

(i) with sadness that 4 August 2015 marked one year since the death of Ms Dhu in police custody in Western Australia, and

(ii) that the inquest into Ms Dhu’s death still has not occurred and will not until the end of 2015, and that meanwhile fine defaulters are still being gaoled in Western Australia; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to continue to work with its state and territory counterparts to implement the remaining recommendations from the Deaths in Custody report. (general business notice of motion no. 798)

12 PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS—CONSIDERATION

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) moved—That general business order of the day no. 1 (National Integrity Commission Bill 2013) be considered on Thursday, 13 August 2015 under the order relating to consideration of private senators’ bills.

Question put and passed.

13 COMMITTEES—EXTENSIONS OF TIME TO REPORT

The following committees were granted extensions of time to report:

Community Affairs References Committee—Out of home care, extended to 18 August 2015.

Education and Employment References Committee—Australia’s temporary work visa programs, extended to 14 October 2015.

14 ROUTINE OF BUSINESS—VARIATION—VALEDICTORY STATEMENTS

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved government business notice of motion no. 2—That on Wednesday, 19 August 2015 consideration of the business before the Senate shall be interrupted at 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable valedictory statements to be made relating to Senator Wright.

Question put and passed.
15 **FOREIGN AFFAIRS—OPTIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION AGAINST TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT**

*Motion determined as not formal:* Senator Wright requested that general business notice of motion no. 782 standing in her name for today, relating to the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, be taken as formal.

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

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

16 **INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS—HUTCHISON PORTS AUSTRALIA—TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEES**

Senator Cameron, also on behalf of Senator Rhiannon, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 783—That the Senate—

(a) notes the termination by Hutchison Ports Australia of 97 of its employees by notice given in text messages and emails sent late at night on Thursday, 6 August 2015;

(b) affirms that the method of giving notice of termination of its employees by Hutchison Ports Australia was callous and disrespectful to its employees, and has no place in any workplace; and

(c) having regard to the potential disruption to Australia’s ports the dispute may cause, calls on the parties to the dispute to respect pre-dispute employment arrangements and to commence co-operative negotiations to resolve the dispute as soon as possible.

*Leave refused:* The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield) sought leave to move an amendment to the motion.

An objection was raised and leave was not granted.

Question put and passed.

*Statements by leave:* Senators Fifield, Cameron and Rhiannon, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

17 **REGIONAL AUSTRALIA—NORTHERN AUSTRALIA WHITE PAPER**

Senator Bushby, at the request of Senator O’Sullivan and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 784—That the Senate endorses the Northern Australia White Paper that will unlock the capacity and capability of the north through increased investment in water infrastructure, including:

(a) $200 million of investment in water infrastructure in the north as part of a new National Water Infrastructure Fund;

(b) $15 million for water resource assessments to determine available water (and soils) for development in the Mitchell River (Queensland), West Kimberley (Western Australia) and Darwin (Northern Territory) catchments;

(c) up to $5 million for a feasibility study for Nullinga, and up to another $5 million for a soils analysis of the Ord Stage Three; and
(d) a feasibility study into the 4 metre extension on the Lake Argyle spillway that would increase storage capacity by nearly 5 million megalitres – the biggest increase in public water storage in Australia in more than 4 decades.

Question put and passed.

18 ABBOTT GOVERNMENT’S BUDGET CUTS—SELECT COMMITTEE—VARIATION OF APPOINTMENT

The Chair of the Select Committee into the Abbott Government’s Budget Cuts (Senator Whish-Wilson), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 785—That the resolution of 25 June 2014 appointing the Select Committee into the Abbott Government’s Budget Cuts be amended by omitting “to be known as the Select Committee into the Abbott Government’s Budget Cuts” and substituting “to be known as the Select Committee into the Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures”.

Question put and passed.

19 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS—HUTCHISON PORTS AUSTRALIA—TERMINATION OF EMPLOYEES

Senator Lazarus, also on behalf of Senator Rice, amended general business notice of motion no. 786 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—That the Senate—

(a) notes the manner in which the 97 Australian workers (57 in Sydney and 40 in Brisbane) were sacked by Hutchison Ports Australia on Thursday, 6 August 2015, via text message and email;

(b) expresses concern:

(i) for the workers, and

(ii) that the sackings may be in breach of Fair Work laws and legislative instruments;

(c) acknowledges that business practices of this nature are not welcome or considered acceptable behaviour in Australia; and

(d) calls on the Prime Minister (Mr Abbott) and the Minister for Employment (Senator Abetz) to defend Australian jobs, and intervene in this unjust treatment of Australian workers.

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

Question put and passed.

20 NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES—JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE—LEAVE TO MEET DURING SITTINGS

Senator McEwen, at the request of the Deputy Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on the National Capital and External Territories (Senator Brown) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 787—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), followed by public meetings, during the sittings of the Senate, as follows:

(a) Thursday, 13 August 2015;

(b) Thursday, 20 August 2015;
(c) Thursday, 10 September 2015;
(d) Thursday, 17 September 2015;
(e) Thursday, 15 October 2015;
(f) Thursday, 12 November 2015; and
(g) Thursday, 26 November 2015.
Question put and passed.

21 **INDUSTRY—PACIFIC PATROL BOATS TENDER**

Senator Lazarus amended general business notice of motion no. 788 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—That the Senate—

(a) recognises the need for the Australian Government to support Australia’s shipbuilding and maintenance industry, Australian maritime jobs and to restore confidence in the sector;
(b) notes that Cairns, Queensland has a rich naval shipbuilding heritage, including the building of the 14 Fremantle Class patrol boats, and that a Cairns consortium has submitted a bid for the Federal Government Pacific Patrol Boats Tender; and
(c) calls on the Government to confirm that the outcome of the Pacific Patrol Boats Tender will not be affected by Prime Minister Mr Tony Abbott’s commitment to build naval vessels in South Australia.

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

Question put and passed.

22 **DEATH OF FELICITY (FLIC) WISHART**

Senator Waters, also on behalf of Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 789—That the Senate—

(a) expresses its deep gratitude for the great and pivotal contribution to Australia’s environment movement made by the late Felicity ‘Flic’ Wishart; in particular, her contribution to campaigns to protect our rainforests, stop broad-scale land clearing in Queensland, protect our wild rivers, confront the threat of climate change, protect the marine environment and finally to the ongoing campaign to protect the Great Barrier Reef; and
(b) conveys its sympathy and condolences to her partner Todd and her two sons, Bardi and Clancy.

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

Question put and passed.

23 **TRANSPORT—WESTERN AUSTRALIA—ROE 8 EXTENSION AND PERTH FREIGHT LINK—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. 790—That—

(a) the Senate notes the non-transparent process the Barnett and Abbott governments have followed in relation to the Roe 8 Extension and Perth Freight Link; and
(b) there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, no later than 5 pm on Wednesday, 12 August 2015, the following documents which are not publicly available but crucial to the assessment process:

(i) the draft Strategic Environmental Assessment of the Perth and Peel Region, including any advice requested from the Western Australian Government on its progress,

(ii) evidence that the proponent’s offset proposal can be met,

(iii) any completed Aboriginal cultural heritage surveys and evidence of the Western Australian Department of Aboriginal Affairs’ Aboriginal Cultural Material Committee ‘sign off’ on the Roe 8 Extension,

(iv) evidence of formal consultation with Whadjuk Noongyar representatives,

(v) any evidence to support the proponent’s assertion on the Main Roads Western Australia website that the Whadjuk Noongyar people support the Roe 8 Extension and Perth Freight Link,

(vi) evidence that the Hope Road Swamp (Roe Swamp) site was deregistered during the time of environmental assessment on the Roe 8 Extension,

(vii) any survey work on the Mound (tumulus) Spring Inquiry post-September 2013, and any advice on exact weighting of various Mound Spring categorisation criteria,

(viii) the independent modelling on the increased traffic, diesel particulate pollution, and noise pollution due to the increased scale and size of the Perth Freight Link project since the project was submitted for assessment in 2009,

(ix) any material, including maps, relating to alignments for the Perth Freight Link through North Fremantle,

(x) evidence of consideration of alternatives to the proposed Perth Freight Link, and

(xi) the business case for the Perth Freight Link.

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

Question put and passed.

24 HISTORICAL EVENTS—VICTORY IN THE PACIFIC—70TH ANNIVERSARY

Senator Fawcett, also on behalf of Senator McEwen, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 791—

That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) that 15 August 2015 marks the 70th anniversary of Victory in the Pacific on 15 August 1945,

(ii) that this date marked the end of World War II for Australia,

(iii) the bravery and sacrifice of all those sailors, soldiers and aviators who served in the Pacific Theatre, and

(iv) the contribution made in support of the war effort by those at home; and

(b) records our everlasting gratitude for their service to Australia, and for the support of our gallant allies, in this conflict.

Question put and passed.
25 **Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act—Amendment to List of CITES Species—Disallowance Motion—Consideration**

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved government business notice of motion no. 1—That—

(a) so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the succeeding provisions of this resolution having effect;

(b) on Wednesday, 12 August 2015, the business of the Senate notice of motion proposing the disallowance of the Amendment to List of CITES Species, Declaration of a stricter domestic measure, standing in the name of Senator Leyonhjelm, for that day be called on no later than 6.15 pm; and

(c) if consideration of the motion listed in paragraph (b) is not concluded at 6.30 pm, the questions on the unresolved motion shall then be put.

Question put and passed.

26 **Document—Consideration**

The document tabled earlier today (see entry no. 2) was called on but no motion was moved.

27 **Committee Reports and Government Responses—Tabling and Consideration Pursuant to Standing Order 62(4)**

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

- **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Industry structures and systems governing the imposition and disbursement of marketing and research and development (R&D) levies in the agriculture sector—Report.** Motion to take note of report moved by Senator Leyonhjelm. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Leyonhjelm in continuation.

- **Economics References Committee—Future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry: Long-term planning (part 3)—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—Report—Current and future arrangements for the marketing of Australian sugar—Erratum.** Motion to take note of document moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

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

- **Wind Turbines—Select Committee—Report.** Motion to take note of report moved by Senator Leyonhjelm. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Leyonhjelm in continuation.

- **Economics References Committee—Digital currency – game changer or bit player—Report.** Motion to take note of report moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.
Community Affairs References Committee—Availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia—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—Report—Industry structures and systems governing levies on grass-fed cattle—Government response. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.


Environment and Communications References Committee—Report—Recent trends in and preparedness for extreme weather events—Government response. Motion to take note of document moved by Senator McEwen. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator McEwen in continuation.

28 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Lines) informed the Senate that the President had received letters nominating senators to be members of a committee.

The Assistant Minister for Social Services (Senator Fifield), by leave, moved—that senators be appointed to the Select Committee on the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, as follows:

Senators McAllister and Rhiannon


Question put and passed.

29 FAMILY LAW (FEES) AMENDMENT (2015 MEASURES NO. 1) REGULATION—DISALLOWANCE

Senator Collins, also on behalf of Senators Wright and Lazarus, pursuant to notice, moved business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1—that the Family Law (Fees) Amendment (2015 Measures No. 1) Regulation 2015, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2015 No. 114 and made under the Family Law Act 1975 and the Federal Circuit Court of Australia Act 1999, be disallowed.

Debate ensued.

Question put.
The Senate divided—

AYES, 39

Senators—

Bilyk, Hanson-Young, McAllister, Siewert
Brown, Ketter, McEwen, Singh
Bullock, Lambie, McLucas, Urquhart (Teller)
Cameron, Lazarus, Moore, Wang
Collins, Leyonhjelm, Muir, Waters
Dastyari, Lines, O’Neill, Whish-Wilson
Day, Ludlam, Peris, Wong
Di Natale, Ludwig, Polley, Wright
Gallacher, Madigan, Rhiannon, Xenophon
Gallagher, Marshall, Rice

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Back, Cormann, Lindgren, Reynolds
Bernardi, Edwards, Macdonald, Ronaldson
Birmingham, Fawcett, McGrath, Ryan
Brandis, Fierravanti-Wells, McKenzie, Seselja
Bushby (Teller), Fifield, Nash, Sinodinos
Canavan, Heffernan, Parry, Smith
Cash, Johnston, Payne, Williams
Colbeck

Question agreed to.

30 FIRST SPEECH

Pursuant to order (see entry no. 10, 16 June 2015), Senator Lindgren made her first speech.

31 ECONOMICS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—CORPORATIONS AMENDMENT (FINANCIAL ADVICE) BILL 2014

Pursuant to order, Senator O’Sullivan, at the request of the Chair of the Economics Legislation Committee (Senator Edwards), tabled the following report:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator O’Sullivan.

32 EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—FAIR WORK (REGISTERED ORGANISATIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2014 [NO. 2]

Pursuant to order, Senator O’Sullivan, at the request of the Chair of the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (Senator McKenzie), tabled the following report and documents:


Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator O’Sullivan.
33 **COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—SOCIAL SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT (YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND OTHER MEASURES) BILL 2015**

Pursuant to order, Senator O’Sullivan, at the request of the Chair of the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Seselja), tabled the following report and documents:

Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report, dated August 2015, Hansard record of proceedings, additional information and submissions.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator O’Sullivan.

34 **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—REPORT—REGULATOR OF MEDICINAL CANNABIS BILL 2014**

Pursuant to order, Senator O’Sullivan, at the request of the Chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (Senator Macdonald), tabled the following report and documents:

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—Regulator of Medicinal Cannabis Bill 2014—Report, dated August 2015, Hansard record of proceedings, documents presented to the committee, additional information and submissions.

Report ordered to be printed on the motion of Senator O’Sullivan.

35 **MEDICAL RESEARCH FUTURE FUND BILL 2015**

**MEDICAL RESEARCH FUTURE FUND (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS) BILL 2015**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Human Services (Senator Payne)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

*At 7.20 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Canavan was speaking.*

36 **ADJOURNMENT**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Whish-Wilson) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Senate adjourned at 9.51 pm till Wednesday, 12 August 2015 at 9.30 am.

37 **ATTENDANCE**

Present, all senators except Senator Ruston.

**ROSEMARY LAING**

Clerk of the Senate

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