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BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY

GENERAL BUSINESS—CONSIDERATION OF PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS

Orders of the Day

6 Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2015—(Senate bill)—(Senator Wong)
Second reading (restored 31 August 2016).

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 11 October 2016

1 Senators Waters and Dastyari: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and interim report by 28 November 2016 and final report by 1 February 2017:

(a) the experience of unplanned mass closures of electricity generators and other large industrial assets on workers and communities, both in Australia and overseas;

(b) whether regulated planned closures can alleviate and minimise the economic, social and community costs of large electricity generation and other industrial asset closures, drawing on experiences in Australia and overseas;

(c) policy mechanisms for the planned and regulated retirement of coal-fired power stations from the National Electricity Market, having regard to:
   (i) the ‘Paris Agreement’ to keep global warming below 2 degrees celsius, and ideally below 1.5 degrees celsius,
   (ii) the state and expected life span of Australia’s coal-fired power plants,
   (iii) the increasing amount of electricity generated by renewable energy and likely future electricity demand,
   (iv) maintenance of electricity supply, affordability and security, and
   (v) any other relevant matters;

(d) policy mechanisms to give effect to a just transition for affected workers and communities likely impacted by generator closures, as agreed in the ‘Paris Agreement’, including:
   (i) mechanisms to ensure minimal community and individual impact from closures, and
   (ii) mechanisms to attract new investment and jobs in affected regions and communities;
(e) the appropriate role for the Federal Government in respect of the above; and
(f) any other relevant matters.

2 Senators Cameron, Rhiannon and Lambie: To move—that the following matter be referred to the Education and Employment References Committee for inquiry and report by 30 November 2016:

The impact of the Government’s Workplace Bargaining Policy and approach to Commonwealth public sector bargaining, with particular reference to:

(a) the failure of the Government to conclude workplace bargaining across the Australian Public Service almost three years after the process began – a process that has impacted on more than 150,000 staff nationally and 115 agencies during this time;
(b) the impact of the protracted dispute on service provision, particularly in regional Australia, and for vulnerable and elderly people;
(c) the impact on Australia’s tourism industry and international reputation as a result of ongoing international port and airport strikes;
(d) the impact on agency productivity and staff morale of the delay in resolving enterprise agreements across the Australian Public Service;
(e) the effect of the implementation of the Government’s Workplace Bargaining Policy on workplace relations in the Commonwealth public sector;
(f) the effect of the implementation of the Government’s Workplace Bargaining Policy on the working conditions and industrial rights of Commonwealth public sector employees;
(g) the extent to which the implementation of the Workplace Bargaining Policy impacts on employee access to workplace flexibility, and with particular regard to flexibility for employees with family or caring responsibilities;
(h) whether the Workplace Bargaining Policy and changes or reductions in employees’ working conditions and industrial rights, including access to enforceable domestic and family violence leave, are a factor in the protracted delay in resolving enterprise agreements;
(i) the effect of an expanded role for the responsible Minister in the Government’s Workplace Bargaining Policy; and
(j) any other related matter.

Notice of motion altered on 12 October 2016 pursuant to standing order 77.

Notice given 12 October 2016

*3 Senator Marshall: To move—that the following matters be referred to the Education and Employment References Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2017:

The incidence of, and trends in, corporate avoidance of the Fair Work Act 2009, with particular reference to:

(a) the use of labour hire and/or contracting arrangements that affect workers’ pay and conditions;
(b) voting cohorts to approve agreements with a broad scope that affect workers’ pay and conditions;
(c) the use of agreement termination that affect workers’ pay and conditions;
(d) the effectiveness of transfer of business provisions in protecting workers’ pay and conditions;
(e) the avoidance of redundancy entitlements by labour hire companies;
(f) the effectiveness of any protections afforded to labour hire employees from unfair dismissal;
(g) the approval of enterprise agreements by workers not yet residing in Australia that affect workers’ pay and conditions;
(h) the extent to which companies avoid their obligations under the Fair Work Act 2009 by engaging workers on visas;
(i) whether the National Employment Standards and modern awards act as an effective ‘floor’ for wages and conditions and the extent to which companies enter into arrangements that avoid those obligations;
(j) legacy issues relating to WorkChoices and Australian Workplace Agreements;
(k) the economic and fiscal impact of reducing wages and conditions across the economy; and
(l) any other related matters.

*4 Senator Xenophon: To move—That the following matters be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 28 November 2016:
The use of drones in Australia, with particular reference to:
(a) public safety, security and privacy;
(b) benefits to the community and the economy;
(c) registration and training needs of both private and commercial users/operators;
(d) professional standards framework for commercial users/operators;
(e) insurance requirements of both private and commercial users/operators;
(f) the use of current and emerging drone technologies with respect to enhancing public safety, security and privacy;
(g) current and future regulatory requirements, including consideration of:
   (i) the Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment (Part 101) Regulation 2016,
   (ii) state and local government regulations, and
   (iii) regulations in other jurisdictions;
(h) legislative enforcement difficulties/impediments and solutions; and
(i) any other related matters.

*5 Senators O'Sullivan, Xenophon, Back, Fawcett, Rice and Sterle: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 27 April 2017:
(a) current and future regulatory requirements that impact on the safe commercial and recreational use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS), Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and associated systems, including consideration of:
   (i) Civil Aviation Safety Regulation Part 101,
   (ii) local design and manufacture of RPAS and associated systems,
(iii) importation of RPAS and associated systems,
(iv) state and local government regulation, and
(v) overseas developments, including work by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and overseas aviation regulatory jurisdictions;

(b) the existing industry and likely future social and economic impact of RPAS technology;

(c) the international regulatory/governance environment for RPAS technology and its comparison to Australian regulation;

(d) current and future options for improving regulatory compliance, public safety and national security through education, professional standards, training, insurance and enforcement;

(e) the relationship between aviation safety and other regulation of RPAS for example, regulation by state and local government agencies on public safety, security and privacy grounds;

(f) the potential recreational and commercial uses of RPAS, including agriculture, mining, infrastructure assessment, search and rescue, fire and policing operations, aerial mapping and scientific research;

(g) insurance requirements of both private and commercial users/operators, including consideration of the suitability of existing data protection, liability and insurance regimes, and whether these are sufficient to meet growing use of RPAS;

(h) the use of current and emerging RPAS and other aviation technologies to enhance aviation safety; and

(i) any other related matters.

Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the planned acquisition of the Joint Strike Fighter.

2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services.
Orders of the Day

*1 National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016
National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Employment (Senator Cash)—That these bills be now read a second time.

*On the amendment moved by Senator Watt in respect of the National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016—At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate condemns the Government for outsourcing Australians’ most sensitive health information to Telstra before the Parliament even saw the necessary legislation” (12 October 2016).

2 Water Legislation Amendment (Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).

3 Migration Amendment (Character Cancellation Consequential Provisions) Bill 2016—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 October 2016).

4 Statute Law Revision (Spring 2016) Bill 2016—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).

5 Governor-General’s Opening Speech

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Hume—That the following address-in-reply be agreed to:

To His Excellency the Governor-General

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—

We, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign and to thank Your Excellency for the speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament (Minister for Employment (Senator Cash), in continuation, 13 September 2016).

6 Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).

7 Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 October 2016).

8 Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).

9 Criminal Code Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).
GENERAL BUSINESS

A complete list of all general business notices of motion and orders of the day remaining on the Notice Paper is published at: www.aph.gov.au/Senate/business

Notices of Motion

Notice given 12 September 2016

34 Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—That the order of the Senate of 21 March 2002 restricting photography in the Senate chamber ceases to have effect on and from 10 October 2016.

Notice given 11 October 2016

82 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes that the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) recently called for Geraldton man, Mr Marlon Noble, to have the conditions of his release lifted after serving more than ten years in prison without a conviction;
(b) acknowledges that people with cognitive impairment or intellectual disability are being incarcerated for an indefinite period without conviction; and
(c) calls on the Western Australian Government to commit to implementing the CRPD recommendation to lift the conditions on Mr Marlon Noble’s release.

84 Senator Burston: To move—That the Senate—
(a) supports the efforts of the Department of Defence and other Commonwealth and state government agencies responding to environmental and health issues arising out of firefighting foam contamination at RAAF Base Williamtown in New South Wales and Army Aviation Centre Oakey in Queensland, including engaging the University of Newcastle Family Action Centre (UNFAC) to develop and deliver mental health awareness and stress management activities in the Williamtown area;
(b) notes that:
(i) some landholders in the immediate vicinity of Williamtown Air Base and Oakey Army Aviation Centre are reporting difficulties accessing equity, property value impacts and difficulty selling their land,
(ii) the Department of Defence has met with a number of lending institutions and the Australian Property Institute to discuss property lending policies and practices and how valuations are conducted in the Williamtown area, and
(iii) the Department of Defence has committed to review the issue of property acquisition once detailed environmental investigations at
RAAF Base Williamtown and Army Aviation Centre Oakey have been concluded; and

calls on the Government to expedite environmental investigations of the impact of firefighting foam contamination at Williamtown and Oakey to enable landholders to address the dilemma of land remediation or relocation, and move on with their lives and deal with issues of mental health and stress management.

*Notice of motion altered on 12 October 2016 pursuant to standing order 77.*

*Notice given 12 October 2016*

*87 Senators Smith and Fawcett: To move—That the Senate—*

(a) notes the death, on 28 September 2016, of Mr Shimon Peres, a founding father, staunch defender, former Prime Minister and former President of Israel;

(b) extends its appreciation for Mr Peres’ extraordinary lifetime of service to his own nation, and to advancing the cause of peace in the Middle East, which was internationally recognised through his receipt of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1994; and

(c) expresses its deepest sympathies to the family of Mr Peres and to the people of Israel at the loss of this extraordinary statesman.

*88 Senator Brown: To move—That the Senate—*

(a) notes that:

(i) National Carers Week 2016 runs from Sunday, 16 October to Saturday, 22 October, and

(ii) during National Carers Week, Australians are encouraged to show their appreciation for unpaid carers and learn about caring in Australia; and

(b) recognises that:

(i) an estimated 2.8 million Australians provide unpaid care and support for people who have a disability, mental illness, chronic condition, terminal illness or who are aged,

(ii) these carers make an extraordinary contribution to our communities as well as our national economy,

(iii) the replacement cost of this informal care is valued at $60.3 billion over the course of a year, and

(iv) any one at any time can become a carer.

*89 Senators Kakoschke-Moore and Xenophon: To move—That the Senate—*

(a) supports Stay Smart Online Week;

(b) notes that:

(i) Ms Sonya Ryan, CEO of the Carly Ryan Foundation, has supported Stay Smart Online Week by invitation of the Government for the past three years at no cost to the Government,

(ii) the Carly Ryan Foundation is a leader in online safety education,

(iii) the Carly Ryan Foundation has visited and supported over 5,000 schools, colleges and regional areas, educating Australian youth and the community about cyber safety, and
(iv) the Carly Ryan Foundation receives no funding from the Government;
(c) recognises the work of the Carly Ryan Foundation in raising awareness and education about cyber safety; and
(d) calls on the Government to provide funding to the Carly Ryan Foundation.

*90 Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) September 2016 Interim Economic Outlook which states that all countries have room to restructure their spending and tax policies by increasing infrastructure spending and using fiscal measures to support structural reforms,
(ii) the International Monetary Fund (IMF) April 2016 World Economic Outlook which states that infrastructure investment is needed across a range of countries and that countries with fiscal space should not wait to take advantage of low interest rates, and
(iii) the August 2016 and final speech of the former Reserve Bank Governor, Mr Glenn Stevens, in which he drew a distinction between borrowing to invest in the right investment assets—long-lived assets that yield an economic return—as opposed to borrowing to pay pensions, welfare and routine government expenses; and

(b) calls on the Government to:

(i) distinguish between ‘good’ debt used to fund investment in transformative and productivity enhancing infrastructure, and ‘bad’ debt used to fund recurrent spending, and
(ii) release a mini-Budget which distinguishes between borrowing for recurrent purposes from borrowing for capital, and in which it increases borrowing to invest in public infrastructure that would help provide a more sustainable economic future and create jobs.

DOCUMENTS

Orders of the Day relating to Government Documents

1 Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice—Additional estimates 2015-16—Statements pursuant to the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014—Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio; Health portfolio; Tourism Australia

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

2 Regional Forest Agreement between the Commonwealth and Tasmania—Joint Australian and Tasmanian government response to the Review of the implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement for the period 2007 to 2012

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the document (12 September 2016).
3 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Report of case study no. 33—The response of The Salvation Army (Southern Territory) to allegations of child sexual abuse at children’s homes that it operated
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 12 September 2016).

4 Register of Foreign Ownership of Agricultural Land Act 2015—Report of registrations for 2015-16
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 12 September 2016).

5 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare—Australia’s health 2016—Fifteenth biennial report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

6 International Air Services Commission—Report for 2015-16
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

7 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Report of case study no. 23—The response of Knox Grammar School and the Uniting Church in Australia to child sexual abuse at Knox Grammar School in Wahroonga, New South Wales
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

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11 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Reports of case study no. 21—The response of the Satyananda Yoga Ashram at Mangrove Mountain to allegations of child sexual abuse by the ashram’s former spiritual leader in the 1970s and 1980s
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 14 September 2016).

12 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Reports of case study no. 30—The response of Turana, Winlaton and Baltara, and the Victoria Police and the Department of Health and Human Services Victoria (and its relevant predecessors)
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 14 September 2016).

13 Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman—Inquiry into the effect of the Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal’s Payments Order on Australian small businesses—Report
Consideration (15 September 2016).

14 Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency—Quarterly report for the period 1 January to 31 March 2016
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 10 October 2016).

15 Australian Hearing—Report for 2015-16
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 10 October 2016).

16 NBN Group—Report for 2015-16
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 10 October 2016).

17 Fair Work (Building Industry) Act 2012—Commonwealth Ombudsman’s report on reviews conducted under Division 3—Report for 2014-15
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 10 October 2016).

18 Aged Care Complaints Commissioner—Report for the period 1 January to 30 June 2016, including final report of the Aged Care Commissioner for the period 1 July to 31 December 2015
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 10 October 2016).

19 Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority—Report for 2015-16
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 11 October 2016).

20 Attorney-General’s Department—Report for 2015-16
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the document (11 October 2016).
21 Industry—Northern Australia annual statement—Ministerial statement by the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia (Senator Canavan)  
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Moore, in continuation, 11 October 2016).

*22 Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Act 2012—Independent review under section 117 of the Act—Report by KPMG  
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Siewert—That the Senate take note of the document (12 October 2016).

*23 Administrative Appeals Tribunal—Report for 2015-16, including report of the Immigration Assessment Authority  
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 12 October 2016).

*24 Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet—Report for 2015-16, including reports of the Aboriginals Benefit Account, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Account and the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations  
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 12 October 2016).

*25 Australian Statistics Advisory Council—Report for 2015-16  
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 12 October 2016).

*26 Australian Bureau of Statistics—Report for 2015-16  
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 12 October 2016).

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COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

Orders of the Day relating to Committee Reports and Government Responses

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Consideration (10 October 2016).

2 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Interim report  
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3 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Bicycle helmet laws (term of reference d)—Interim report  
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4 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Sale and use of marijuana and associated products (term of reference c)—Interim report
 Consideration (13 September 2016).

5 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Western Sydney Wanderers supporters (term of reference f)—Interim report
 Consideration (13 September 2016).

6 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee—Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015—Interim report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKenzie—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator McKenzie, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

7 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee—Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions]—Report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

8 Health—Select Committee—Hospital funding cuts: the perfect storm – The demolition of Federal-State health relations 2014-2016—Final report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Polley—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator O’Neill, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

9 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Conditions and treatment of asylum seekers and refugees at the regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea—Interim report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

10 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Establishment of a national registration system for Australian paramedics to improve and ensure patient and community safety—Report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Polley, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

11 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Need for a nationally-consistent approach to alcohol-fuelled violence—Interim report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

12 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts: the classification of publications, films and computer games (term of reference e)—Interim report
 Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 1 September 2016).
13 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts: the sale and use of tobacco, tobacco products, nicotine products and e-cigarettes (term of reference a)—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

14 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts: sale and service of alcohol (term of reference b)—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

15 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Report—Industry structures and systems governing the imposition and disbursement of marketing and research and development (R&D) levies in the agriculture sector—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKenzie—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator McKenzie, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

16 Community Affairs References Committee—Report—Palliative care in Australia—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Polley—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Polley, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

17 Economics References Committee—Report—Interest rates and informed choice in the Australian credit card market—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

18 Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee—Jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (1 September 2016).

19 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—A world without the death penalty: Australia’s advocacy for the abolition of the death penalty—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (1 September 2016).

20 Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Seasonal change: Inquiry into the Seasonal Worker Programme—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (1 September 2016).

21 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Accommodation for people with disabilities and the NDIS—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).
AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS

Orders of the Day relating to Auditor-General’s reports

1 Auditor-General—Audit reports no. 10 of 2016-7—Performance audit—Award of funding under the Mobile Black Spot Programme: Department of Communications and the Arts
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 12 September 2016).

2 Auditor-General—Audit report no. 16 of 2016-17—Performance audit—Offshore Processing Centres in Nauru and Papua New Guinea: Procurement of garrison support and welfare services: Department of Immigration and Border Protection
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Gallacher—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

*69 Government’s response to committee report—Future of Australia’s video game development industry—Order for production of document
   By the Minister for the Arts, by no later than 2 pm on 13 October 2016, the Government’s response to the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on the future of Australia’s video game development industry. (Motion of Senator Ludlam agreed to 12 October 2016.)

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On 14 October 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee

2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On the next day of sitting (7 November 2016)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 13 September 2016

1 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—that the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016, made under the Judiciary Act 1903, be disallowed [F2016L00645].

Ten sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Orders of the Day

*1 Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 October 2016).

*2 Regulatory Powers (Standardisation Reform) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 October 2016).

On 8 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on Consultations prior to the making of directions concerning opinions of the Solicitor-General.

*2 Procedure—Standing Committee—First report of 2016—Photography in the chamber; Ministerial statements; Caring for infants
   Consideration (13 October 2016).

On 14 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 16 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   1 Community Affairs References Committee
       Report to be presented on the medical complaints process.

On 21 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 30 August 2016
   1 Senator Leyonhjelm: To move—that the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment (Shotguns and Shotgun Magazines) Regulation 2016, made under the Customs Act 1901, be disallowed [F2016L01255].
       Six sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

Notice given 10 October 2016
   2 Senator Xenophon: To move—that the Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment (Part 101) Regulation 2016, made under the Civil Aviation Act 1988 and Transport Safety Investigation Act 2003, be disallowed [F2016L00400].
       Thirteen sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

Order for Production of Documents
   16 Government response to committee report—Select Committee on Wind Turbines—Order for production of document
       By the Minister representing the Minister for Environment and Energy, by 3.30 pm on 21 November 2016, the Government’s response to the report of the Select Committee on Wind Turbines. (Motion of Senators Leyonhjelm, Day, Xenophon, Lambie, Griff, Kakoschke-Moore, Burston, Culleton and Roberts, the Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson) and Senator Hinch agreed to 1 September 2016.)

On 23 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day
   1 Environment and Communications References Committee
       Report to be presented on large capacity fishing vessels.
   2 Environment and Communications References Committee
       Report to be presented on the access by children to internet pornography.

On 24 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day
   1 Economics References Committee
       Report to be presented on 2016 Census.
2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
Report to be presented on domestic violence and gender inequality.

On 28 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
Report to be presented on the Commonwealth funding of Indigenous Tasmanians.

On 29 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
Report to be presented on the indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment.

On 30 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
Report to be presented on Lyme-like illness in Australia.

2 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 1 December 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
Report to be presented on recent fires in remote Tasmanian wilderness.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
Report to be presented on airport and aviation security at Australian airports.

3 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
Report to be presented on the future role and contribution of regional capitals.

On 6 December 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 7 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement.

On 10 February 2017

General Business—Order of the Day

*1 Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 24 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian dairy industry.

On the second last sitting day in February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the commercial use of Tasmanian bumblebees.

On 28 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the penalties for white collar crime or misconduct.

On the tenth sitting day of 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees
   Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016.

On the second last sitting day in March 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight.
On 30 March 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian veterans.

On the last sitting day in March 2017
Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Nauru and Manus Island regional processing centres.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector.

On 31 March 2017
Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on carbon risk disclosure.

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry.

3 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the implications of financial advice reforms.

On 28 April 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the future of Australia’s aged care sector workforce.

On 25 May 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on non-conforming building products.

On 30 June 2017
Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on the life insurance industry.
2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity.

3 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on foreign bribery.

**On 19 July 2017**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the use of Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia.

**On 30 September 2017**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on corporate tax avoidance.

**On 18 October 2017**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on aspects of road safety in Australia.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the state of Australia’s rail industry.

**On 1 December 2017**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry.

2 Red Tape—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

**BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES**

*Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015†*
   Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 15 September 2016; reporting date: 30 November 2016)
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 7 November 2016)

Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [provisions]‡
Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 14 October 2016)

Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 14 November 2016)

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 14 October 2016)

Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 6 December 2016)

National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 15 September 2016; reporting date: 7 November 2016)

‡ Reference adopted by the Senate following a recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered
Nos 3 to 7, 12, 13, 19, 20, 24, 59 to 63, 66, 67, 69 to 72, 78, 79, 82 to 86, 88, 94, 95, 100, 101, 105 to 115, 117, 119, 121 to 150 and 152 to 176.

Question nos, as shown above, from 3 to 101 remain unanswered for 30 or more days (see standing order 74(5)).

The full text of Questions on Notice and their answers are available online at www.aph.gov.au/qon.
ORDERS OF THE SENATE

Address-in-reply—Suspension of standing order 3(4)
That standing order 3(4) be suspended to enable the Senate to consider business other than that of a formal character before the address-in-reply to the Governor-General’s opening speech has been adopted.
(Agreed to 30 August 2016)

Allocation of departments/agencies
That departments and agencies be allocated to legislative and general purpose standing committees as follows:

Community Affairs
  Health
  Social Services, including Human Services

Economics
  Industry, Innovation and Science
  Treasury

Education and Employment
  Education and Training
  Employment

Environment and Communications
  Communications and the Arts
  Environment and Energy

Finance and Public Administration
  Finance
  Parliament
  Prime Minister and Cabinet

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
  Defence, including Veterans’ Affairs
  Foreign Affairs and Trade

Legal and Constitutional Affairs
  Attorney-General
  Immigration and Border Protection

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
  Agriculture and Water Resources
  Infrastructure and Regional Development.

(Agreed to 31 August 2016)
Committees—Determination of chair—Standing order 25(9)
That, pursuant to standing order 25(9), the Senate determines:
(a) that the chair of the Environment and Communications References Committee shall be elected by that committee from members nominated by minor parties or independent senators; and
(b) that this order remain in effect until the President is duly notified of an agreement that meets the terms of standing order 25(9)(c).

(Agreed to 2 November 2011; varied 13 September 2016)

Estimates hearings
(1) That the 2016-17 supplementary Budget estimates hearings be scheduled as follows:
   Monday, 17 October and Tuesday, 18 October 2016 (supplementary hearings—Group A)
   Wednesday, 19 October and Thursday, 20 October 2016 (supplementary hearings—Group B).
(2) That, pursuant to the order of the Senate of 26 August 2008 and 23 June 2015, cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters be scheduled for Friday, 21 October 2016.
(3) That the committees consider the proposed expenditure in accordance with the allocation of departments and agencies to committees agreed to by the Senate.
(4) That committees meet in the following groups:

   **Group A:**
   Environment and Communications
   Finance and Public Administration
   Legal and Constitutional Affairs
   Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

   **Group B:**
   Community Affairs
   Economics
   Education and Employment
   Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade.

(Agreed to 30 August 2016)

Estimates—Unanswered questions on notice
That:
(a) answers be provided by 14 September 2016 to all legislation committees relating to all questions taken on notice by the committees’ predecessor committees with respect to the Additional estimates 2015-16 and the Budget estimates 2016-17, and which remained unanswered at the beginning of the new Parliament; and
(b) for the purposes of standing order 74(5), the day set for answering the question for each of the unanswered questions is 14 September 2016.

(Agreed to 30 August 2016)
First speeches
That consideration of the business before the Senate on the following days be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable senators to make their first speeches without any question before the chair, as follows:

- Wednesday, 31 August 2016—Senator Hume
- Thursday, 1 September 2016—Senators Dodson and Duniam
- Monday, 12 September 2016—Senator Hinch
- Tuesday, 13 September 2016—Senators Roberts and Watt
- Wednesday, 14 September 2016—Senators Hanson and McCarthy
- Tuesday, 11 October 2016—Senators Kakoschke-Moore and Burston
- Wednesday, 12 October 2016—Senators Chisholm and Culleton.

(Agreed to 31 August, 1 September, 12 September, 15 September and 11 October 2016)

First speech
That consideration of the business before the Senate on Thursday, 13 October 2016, be interrupted at approximately 4 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Griff to make his first speech without any question before the chair.

(Agreed to 12 October 2016)

Legislation—Exemption of bills from the cut-off order
That the provisions of paragraph (6) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:

- Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016
- Corporations Amendment (Auditor Registration) Bill 2016
- Customs Tariff Amendment (Tobacco) Bill 2016
- Excise Tariff Amendment (Tobacco) Bill 2016
- Statute Law Revision (Spring 2016) Bill 2016
- Statute Update Bill 2016

(Agreed to 13 September 2016)

Meeting of Senate
That the days of meeting of the Senate for the remainder of 2016 be as follows:

**Spring sittings:**
- Thursday, 1 September
- Monday, 12 September to Thursday, 15 September

**Spring sittings (2):**
- Monday, 10 October to Thursday, 13 October
Spring sittings (3):
   Monday, 7 November to Thursday, 10 November
   Monday, 21 November to Thursday, 24 November
   Monday, 28 November to Thursday, 1 December.
(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

Ministerial statements—Consideration—Temporary order
That the following amendment to standing order 169 operate as a temporary order until 30 June 2017:
At the end of standing order 169, add:
(3) If a ministerial statement is presented to or tabled in the Senate other than in accordance with standing order 61, it shall be in order for a senator to move a motion without notice to take note of the statement. On any such motion, a senator may speak for not more than 10 minutes and paragraph (2) applies to the total time limit for individual or successive motions.
(Agreed to 31 August 2016; originally agreed to 11 November 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s third report of 2015)

Rotation of senators
That, pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, the senators chosen for each state be divided into two classes, as follows:
(1) Senators listed at positions 7 to 12 on the certificate of election of senators for each state shall be allocated to the first class and receive 3 year terms.
(2) Senators listed at positions 1 to 6 on the certificate of election of senators for each state shall be allocated to the second class and receive 6 year terms.
(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business
1 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Brandis): To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a minister moving a motion to provide for the consideration of any matter.
2 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon
   To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any
   item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another
   item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would
   prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the conduct of the business of the
   Senate or to provide for the consideration of any matter.

Formal business

3 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move (contingent
   on any senator objecting to a motion being taken as formal)—That so much of the
   standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion being put immediately
   and determined without amendment or debate.

4 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
   To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to move an amendment to
   a motion discovered during formal business)—That so much of the standing orders
   be suspended as would prevent that senator moving the amendment to the motion.

Limitation of time

   Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon

5 To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion that a bill be considered an
   urgent bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent
   debate taking place on the motion.

6 To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion to specify time to be allotted
   to the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill)—That so much of standing
   order 142 be suspended as would prevent the motion being debated without
   limitation of time and each senator speaking for the time allotted by standing
   orders.

7 To move (contingent on the chair declaring that the time allotted for the
   consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill, has expired)—That so much of
   standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent further consideration of the bill,
   or the stage of the bill, without limitation of time or for a specified period.
Senator Lambie

8 To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion to specify time to be allotted to the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent the motion being debated without limitation of time and each senator speaking for the time allotted by standing orders.

9 To move (contingent on the chair declaring that the time allotted for the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill, has expired)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent further consideration of the bill, or the stage of the bill, without limitation of time or for a specified period.

Matters of urgency

10 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Brandis): To move (contingent on the moving of a motion to debate a matter of urgency under standing order 75)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a minister moving an amendment to the motion.

11 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon

   To move (contingent on the moving of a motion to debate a matter of urgency under standing order 75)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a senator moving an amendment to the motion.

Order of business

12 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon

   To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the order of business on the Notice Paper.

Senator Lambie

13 To move (contingent on the President proceeding to the placing of business on any day)—That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the order of business on the Notice Paper.
Questions without notice

14 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon
   To move (contingent on a minister at question time on any day asking that further
   questions be placed on notice)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended
   as would prevent the senator moving a motion that, at question time on any day,
   questions may be put to ministers until 30 questions, including supplementary
   questions, have been asked and answered.

Statements

15 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon
   To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to make a statement to the
   Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that
   senator making that statement.

Tabling of documents

16 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
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   Senator Xenophon
   To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to table a document in the
   Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the
   senator moving that the document be tabled.

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