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GUIDE TO THE NOTICE PAPER

### Notices of motion
A proposed resolution that a senator intends to put to the Senate for debate and/or a vote. Notice is given so others have time to consider the proposal.

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BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY

PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS

Orders of the Day

*23 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Ending the Poverty Trap) Bill 2018—(Senate bill)—(Senator Siewert)
Second reading (restored 4 July 2019).

*21 Murray-Darling Basin Commission of Inquiry Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Senator Hanson-Young)
Second reading (restored 4 July 2019).
(Bill referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee on 4 July 2019; reporting date: 19 September 2019)

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notice of Motion

Notice given 2 July 2019

1 Senator Patrick: To move—
(1) That the Senate notes—
(a) the Prime Minister’s Statement of Ministerial Standards of 30 August 2018, at paragraph 2.25 concerning post-ministerial employment, states that “Ministers are required to undertake that, for an eighteen month period after ceasing to be a Minister, they will not lobby, advocate or have business meetings with members of the government, Parliament, public service or defence force on any matters on which they have had official dealings as Minister in their last eighteen months in office. Ministers are also required to undertake that, on leaving office, they will not take personal advantage of information to which they have had access as a Minister, where that information is not generally available to the public”;
(b) that Mr Christopher Maurice Pyne served as the Minister for Defence Industry from 19 July 2016 to 28 August 2018, and as the Minister for Defence from 28 August 2018 to 11 April 2019;
(c) that Mr Pyne has taken employment with consulting firm EY and that, in his own words, he is “looking forward to providing strategic advice to EY, as the firm looks to expand its footprint in the defence industry”;
(d) that media reports indicate that AusTender government contract notices show that over the past four years EY has secured over 830 contracts with the Australian Government worth more than $370 million, including 138 contracts with the Department of Defence worth $148 million;
(e) that EY has publicly identified the Australian Government’s investment in new defence capabilities, including the future submarines project and the future frigate project as major business opportunities;

(f) EY’s statement that Mr Pyne will help build EY’s defence-related business in South Australia and elsewhere, including helping to “lead conversations about what all states need to do to meet the challenges and opportunities this defence investment will bring”;

(g) EY’s subsequent statement that Mr Pyne “will not be lobbying or meeting with public sector MPs, public service or defence in his EY role” and that he will be “supporting the private sector side of the business”; and

(h) Mr Pyne’s further statement that he intends “to ensure that anyone I provide advice to has rigorous processes and procedures in place to ensure that I am not put in a position where the Ministerial Code might be breached”.

(2) That the following matter be referred to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee for inquiry and report by 10 September 2019:

(a) compliance by former Ministers of State with the requirements of paragraph 2.25 of the Prime Minister’s Statement of Ministerial Standards, dated 30 August 2018, including, but not limited to the undertakings given by Ministers to comply with their obligations concerning post-ministerial employment, and action taken by the Prime Minister and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to ensure full compliance by former Ministers with paragraph 2.25 of the Ministerial Standards; and

(b) any related matters.

Order of the Day

*1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Customs Amendment (Immediate Destruction of Illicit Tobacco) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

*1 National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Worker Screening Database) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 July 2019).

*2 Road Vehicle Standards Legislation Amendment Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—
( Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 July 2019).
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*3 Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 July 2019).

*4 National Rental Affordability Scheme Amendment Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—
(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 July 2019).

5 Governor-General’s Opening Speech
Consideration (2 July 2019).

*6 Health Insurance Amendment (Bonded Medical Programs Reform) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 July 2019).

*7 Australian Veterans’ Recognition (Putting Veterans and Their Families First) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Defence, Senator Reynolds)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 July 2019).

Notice of Motion

Notice given 4 July 2019

*1 Minister for Families and Social Services (Senator Ruston): To move—

(1) 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:
(a) Tuesday, 23 July 2019—Senators McDonald and Chandler;
(b) Wednesday, 24 July 2019—Senators Bragg and Ciccone;
(c) Tuesday, 30 July 2019—Senators Hughes, Ayres and O’Sullivan; and
(d) Wednesday, 31 July 2019—Senators Sheldon and Green.

(2) On Tuesday, 30 July 2019, immediately after Senator O’Sullivan’s first speech, valedictory statements may be made relating to Senator Fifield.

Notice of motion altered on 9 July 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.
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 2 July 2019

2 Senator Patrick: To move—

(1) That the Senate notes that—

(a) on 12 October 2017, Mr Richard Boyle made a disclosure under the **Public Interest Disclosure Act 2013 (PID Act)** as a former employee of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), alleging the ATO:

(i) had instructed employees to issue standard garnishee notices to seize funds from taxpayers’ bank accounts without notice or consideration of their personal and business circumstances, and

(ii) in doing so, had required employees to engage in conduct that was unethical, unprofessional and against the Australian Public Service Code of Conduct;

(b) on 27 October 2017, the ATO decided not to further investigate Mr Boyle’s disclosure on the basis that the information did not concern serious disclosable conduct as defined in the PID Act; and

(c) subsequent media inquiries found anomalies in the ATO’s debt collection practices that appeared consistent with Mr Boyle’s disclosure.

(2) That the Senate is of the opinion that—

(a) whistleblowers must be protected to ensure integrity and deter misconduct within the government and the public sector; and

(b) examining the ATO’s actions in relation to Mr Boyle’s disclosure is consistent with the Senate’s role in providing oversight of government administration.

(3) That the Senate orders the Commissioner of Taxation to provide all documents relating to the disclosure generated or received by Mr Boyle’s supervisor, authorised officer and principal officer (as defined in the PID Act) to the Economics Legislation Committee (the committee) by no later than 5 pm on 10 July 2019.

(4) That the committee, when it has considered the documents, report to the Senate as to whether the ATO’s handling of disclosures by whistleblowers warrants further inquiry.

Notice given 4 July 2019

*31 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill to protect the Great Australian Bight from environmental damage resulting from mining activities and begin the process of World Heritage Listing the Great Australian Bight. **Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2019**.
Senators McKim and Hanson-Young: To move—

(1) That a select committee, to be known as the Select Committee into the Public’s Right to Know and Press Freedom, be established to inquire into and report on the appropriate balance between the public’s right to know, the freedom of the press and Australia’s national security, with particular reference to:

(a) disclosure and public reporting of sensitive and classified information, including the appropriate regime for warrants regarding journalists and media organisations and adequacy of existing legislation;
(b) the whistleblower protection regime and protections for public sector employees;
(c) the adequacy of referral practices of the Australian Government in relation to leaks of sensitive and classified information;
(d) appropriate culture, practice and leadership for government and senior public employees;
(e) mechanisms to ensure that the Australian Federal Police have sufficient independence to effectively and impartially carry out their investigatory and law enforcement responsibilities in relation to politically sensitive matters; and
(f) any related matters.

(2) That the committee should provide an interim report by 19 September 2019 and a final report by 28 November 2019.

(3) That the committee consist of 8 senators, as follows:

(a) 3 senators nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate;
(b) 3 senators nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate;
(c) 1 senator nominated by the Leader of the Australian Greens; and
(d) 1 senator from Centre Alliance.

(4) That:

(a) participating members may be appointed to the committee on the nomination of the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, or any minority party or independent senator; and
(b) participating members may participate in hearings of evidence and deliberations of the committee, and have all the rights of members of the committee, but may not vote on any questions before the committee.

(5) That 3 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee, provided that in a deliberative meeting the quorum shall include 1 Government member and 1 non-Government member.

(6) That every nomination of a member of the committee be notified in writing to the President of the Senate.

(7) That the members of the committee hold office as a select committee until the 46th Parliament is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.

(8) That the committee may proceed to the dispatch of business notwithstanding that not all members have been duly nominated and appointed and notwithstanding any vacancy.
(9) That the committee elect as chair a member nominated by the Leader of the
Opposition in the Senate, and as deputy chair a member nominated by the
Leader of the Government in the Senate.

(10) That the deputy chair shall act chair when the chair is absent from a
meeting of the committee or the position of chair is temporarily vacant.

(11) That, in the event of an equality of voting, the chair, or the deputy chair
when acting as chair, has a casting vote.

(12) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of 3 or
more of its members, and to refer to any such subcommittee any of the
matters which the committee is empowered to consider.

(13) That the committee and any subcommittee have power to send for and
examine persons and documents, to move from place to place, to sit in
public or in private, notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament, and
have leave to report from time to time its proceedings and the evidence
taken and such interim recommendations as it may deem fit.

(14) That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and
resources and be empowered to appoint persons with specialist knowledge
for the purposes of the committee with the approval of the President of the
Senate.

(15) That the committee be empowered to print from day to day such papers and
evidence as may be ordered by it, and a daily Hansard be published of such
proceedings as take place in public.

(16) That the committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit
during any adjournment of the Senate.

*33 Senator Roberts: To move—That the Senate calls on the Federal Government to
approve urgently needed nation-building projects that will lower the costs of
energy generation and deliver water security to the people of
Australia.

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

*26 Statement of Ministerial Standards—Order for production of documents and
explanation by minister

By the Minister representing the Prime Minister, by no later than 10 am on 22 July
2019, a letter from the Prime Minister outlining in detail information about
Mr Pyne and Ms Bishop in relation to the Prime Minister’s Statement of
Ministerial Standards. (Motion of Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator
Wong) agreed to 4 July 2019.)
(1) That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) that Mr Christopher Pyne served as the Minister for Defence Industry from 19 July 2016 to 28 August 2018, and as the Minister for Defence from 28 August 2018 to 11 April 2019,

(ii) that Mr Pyne has taken employment with consulting firm EY,

(iii) Mr Pyne’s statement that he is “looking forward to providing strategic advice to EY, as the firm looks to expand its footprint in the defence industry”, and

(iv) EY’s statement that Mr Pyne will help build EY’s defence-related business in South Australia and elsewhere, including helping to “lead conversations about what all states need to do to meet the challenges and opportunities this defence investment will bring”;

(b) endorses:

(i) Senator Birmingham’s statement that the Government expects that “everybody should adhere to that Code of Conduct and that includes Christopher”, and

(ii) Senator Abetz’s statement on Mr Pyne’s conduct that “people do expect a standard from the ministers and then former ministers to ensure that which they have learnt and gleaned from their ministerial roles are not exported into other roles from which they can potentially gain financially”;

(c) further notes:

(i) that Ms Julie Bishop served as the Minister for Foreign Affairs from 18 September 2013 to 28 August 2018,

(ii) that Ms Bishop has now been appointed to the board of Palladium, a global impact investing and consultancy group which was awarded more than half a billion dollars in government contracts while Ms Bishop was the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and

(iii) Palladium’s statement that “Ms Bishop brings a network of global contacts, years of public service experience and background in driving innovation in international development”;

(d) calls on the Prime Minister to take appropriate action; and

(e) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, by no later than 10 am on 22 July 2019, a letter from the Prime Minister outlining in detail:

(i) when Mr Morrison was first made aware of the actions of Mr Pyne or Ms Bishop,

(ii) what action the Prime Minister has taken since being made aware, and

(iii) how the Prime Minister’s Statement of Ministerial Standards has not been breached or alternatively what arrangements have been put in place to ensure they are not breached.
(2) That, at 12.20 pm on 22 July 2019, before government business is called on, a senator may ask the relevant minister for an explanation of the response to the order contained in paragraph (e) or for an explanation of the failure to respond, and:

(a) the senator may, at the conclusion of the explanation, move without notice—That the Senate take note of the explanation; or

(b) in the event that the minister does not respond to the order or provide an explanation, the senator may, without notice, move a motion in relation to the minister’s failure to provide either a response or an explanation.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the tenth sitting day of 2019 (23 July 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2018.

On 23 July 2019 (next day of sitting)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 2 July 2019

1 Senator Rice: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 3 December 2019:

The continuing discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender diverse, intersex and queer people and their families in Australia, its prevalence and its impacts, including:

(a) existing discrimination within federal, state and territory law and policy;

(b) experience of discrimination in Australian life, including but not limited to educational settings, workplaces, aged care, healthcare, sporting clubs and organisations, religious organisations, the provision of government services, including where contracted out, and in the provision of goods, services, housing and accommodation;

(c) where discrimination is sanctioned by federal, state and territory legislation and where it is occurring in breach or potential breach of legislation;

(d) how this discrimination affects the human rights, legal rights, access to justice, health, wellbeing and educational and economic outcomes of LGBTIQ+ people in Australia;
(e) the additional and compounding impacts of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families who are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, of different or minority race, ethnicity or religion, or on the grounds of their migrant status, age, ability and socio-economic background or circumstances, who have intersectional LGBTIQ+ identities, or who have a range of these personal characteristics;

(f) how the experience of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families differs for young people;

(g) how the experience of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families differs based on whether they live in urban, regional, rural or remote areas;

(h) the specific discrimination, stigmatisation and human rights violations, including harmful practices in medical settings, experienced by people born with variations of sex characteristics, including infants, children and adolescents, and also encompassing prenatal interventions due to variations of sex characteristics;

(i) the broad range of sexual orientation and gender identity change efforts and associated formal and informal activities, particularly by religious organisations, and the impacts of these on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, gender diverse and queer people;

(j) the reforms and initiatives required to remedy prejudice, stigma and discrimination against LGBTIQ+ people and their families, including legislative and policy reforms, funding for training and education programs, funding for community and government initiatives, development of funded government strategies, better liaison between government, relevant NGOs and the LGBTIQ+ community, and the development of national standards for best-practice legislative, policy and program initiatives; and

(k) any other related matters.

Orders for Production of Documents

*21 Department of Home Affairs—Paladin contracts—Order for production of documents

By the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs, by no later than 12 pm on 23 July 2019, documents: correspondence, emails and notes of discussion, formal contracts, reports and formal briefings, prepared by the Department of Home Affairs relating to the performance or activities of various companies. (Motion of Senators Keneally and Griff agreed to 4 July 2019.)

*22 Independent Health Advice Panel—Order for production of documents

By the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs, no later than 12 pm on 23 July 2019, the report prepared by the Independent Health Advice Panel and the Minister’s summary and response, in accordance with Section 199E of the Migration Act 1958. (Motion of Senator Keneally agreed to 4 July 2019.)
Attendance by minister—Order of the Senate

*30 Attendance by minister—Leader of the Government in the Senate

Requires the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann) to attend the Senate at 12 pm on 23 July 2019 to explain, for a period not longer than 10 minutes: (i) the conduct of Ministers Taylor and Frydenberg and how it is not a breach of the Ministerial Standards, and (ii) whether any investigation has been, or will be, undertaken into the conduct of Ministers Taylor and Frydenberg; and at the conclusion of the Minister’s explanation, senators may speak to the motion. (Motion of Senator Waters agreed to 4 July 2019.)

On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2019 (31 July 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2019.

On 6 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Criminal Code Amendment (Agricultural Protection) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 13 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

*1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 19 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the Murray-Darling Basin Commission of Inquiry Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 18 October 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

*1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Repairing Medical Transfers) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*2 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (Putting Members’ Interests First) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 25 October 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

*1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 11 November 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Ministers of State (Checks for Security Purposes) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 2 December 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 5 December 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On or before the final sitting day of 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Effectiveness of the Australian Government’s Northern Australia agenda—Select Committee
    Report to be presented.

OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 2 December 2019)

Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 5 December 2019)

Criminal Code Amendment (Agricultural Protection) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 6 September 2019)

Customs Amendment (Immediate Destruction of Illicit Tobacco) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 19 July 2019)

Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 25 October 2019)

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
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Migration Amendment (Repairing Medical Transfers) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
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Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
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Murray-Darling Basin Commission of Inquiry Bill 2019 ¶
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Treasury Laws Amendment (Putting Members’ Interests First) Bill 2019 [provisions] ¶
Referred to Economics Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 18 October 2019)

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

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

Question nos 1 to 4, 6 to 75 remain unanswered.

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

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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 2 July 2019)
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 Services Australia
Economics
  Industry, Innovation and Science
  Treasury
Education and Employment
  Education
  Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business, including Industrial Relations
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, excluding Industrial Relations
  Home Affairs
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
  Agriculture
  Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development.

(Agreed to 4 July 2019)

Environment and Communications References Committee—Determination of committee 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—2019-20 supplementary Budget estimates
(1) That the 2019-20 supplementary Budget estimates hearings be scheduled as follows:
  Monday, 21 October and Tuesday, 22 October 2019 (supplementary hearings—Group A)
  Wednesday, 23 October and Thursday, 24 October 2019 (supplementary hearings—Group B).
(2) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters and on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 25 October 2019, but not restricted to that day.

(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 4 July 2019)*

**Formal business—Suspensions of standing orders—Prohibition of debate**
That, in accordance with the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2019, the temporary order prohibiting debate on suspension of standing order motions connected to formal business, that was in effect at the end of the 45th Parliament, be adopted on a permanent basis.

*(Agreed to 4 July 2019)*

**Meeting of Senate—2019**
That the days of meeting of the Senate for the remainder of 2019 be as follows:

**Winter sittings:**
- Monday, 22 July to Thursday, 25 July
- Monday, 29 July to Thursday, 1 August

**Spring sittings:**
- Monday, 9 September to Thursday, 12 September
- Monday, 16 September to Thursday, 19 September
- Monday, 14 October to Thursday, 17 October
- Monday, 11 November to Thursday, 14 November
- Monday, 25 November to Thursday, 28 November
- Monday, 2 December to Thursday, 5 December.

*(Agreed to 4 July 2019)*
CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

1 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann): 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)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Patrick
   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 Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
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   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Patrick
   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 moved immediately and determined without amendment or debate.

4 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
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   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Patrick
   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

5 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann): 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.
Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick

6 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.

7 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.

8 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

9 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann): 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.

10 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick

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

11 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick

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.

Questions without notice

12 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick
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

13 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick

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

14 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
Senator Patrick

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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- S—Senate sitting week only
- ‡—Supplementary Budget estimates
- *—Cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters, and Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters