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GUIDE TO THE NOTICE PAPER

No. 61—13 September 2017

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.

Orders of the day
Items of business the Senate has scheduled to carry out or consider on a particular day. These can include continued debate on a bill or motion, or the presentation of a report or other document.

Business listed for today
- Matters of privilege
  - Proposed references to the Privileges Committee
- Business of the Senate
  - disallowance motions
  - references to standing committees
  - committee reports to be presented
- Government business
  - Government bills
  - proposed changes to the order of business
- General business
  - Initiated by senators who are not ministers
  - motions of motion
  - continued debate on previous motions

Available for debate on Thursdays
- Private senators’ business
- Documents
- Committee reports and government responses
- Auditor-General’s reports

Business listed for future consideration
Lists any notice of motion or order of the day to be considered at a specific time in the future. For example, a committee report ordered to be presented on a specific date. Dates on which ministers have been ordered to produce documents are included here.
Any business to which a date cannot be allocated, will be placed at the end of the section.

Other information
- Questions on notice
  Numbers of all unanswered questions on notice
- Orders of the Senate
  An action the Senate requires to take place
  - new or amendments of standing orders
  - temporary orders of the Senate
- Contingent notices
  Motions to suspend standing orders that can be called upon when a specific event occurs
- Ministerial representation
  Senate ministers and the portfolios they represent
BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Vaporised Nicotine Products Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 National Integrity Commission—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Broadcasting Reform) Bill 2017
   Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) Bill 2017
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson), in continuation, 12 September 2017).

2 Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Social Services and Multicultural Affairs, Senator Seselja)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 September 2017).
   (Bill exempted on 7 September 2017 from the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111)

3 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Competition Policy Review) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 September 2017).

4 Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 October 2016).

5 Regional Investment Corporation Bill 2017—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 September 2017).
6 Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 August 2017).

*7 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Social Services and Multicultural Affairs, Senator Seselja)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 September 2017).
   (Bill exempted on 7 September 2017 from the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111)

8 Australian Grape and Wine Authority Amendment (Wine Australia) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   (Bill exempted on 12 September 2017 from the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111)

9 National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

10 Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017

11 Civil Law and Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 March 2017).

12 Prime Minister and Cabinet Legislation Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 August 2017).

13 Transport Security Amendment (Serious Crime) Bill 2016
   Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 149 from the House of Representatives (30 March 2017).

14 Treasury Laws Amendment (2017 Enterprise Incentives No. 1) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

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

16 National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016—(Special Minister of State, Senator Ryan)
17 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 November 2016).

18 Agriculture and Water Resources Legislation Amendment Bill 2016
Excise Levies Legislation Amendment (Honey) Bill 2016—(Minister for Defence, Senator Payne)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2017).

19 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016
Second reading—Adjourned debate (1 December 2016).

20 Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016—
(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)

21 Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 November 2016).

22 Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016—
(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 November 2016).

23 Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016
Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 79 from the House of Representatives (28 November 2016).

24 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).

25 Budget statement and documents 2017-18
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann)—That the Senate take note of the statement and documents (11 May 2017).
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 11 September 2017

482 Senator Chisholm: To move—that the Senate—
(a) notes that the Senate has referred a question as to the eligibility of the Minister for Regional Development (Senator Nash) to serve as a senator to the Court of Disputed Returns for resolution; and
(b) resolves that until that question of eligibility has been resolved, Senator Nash shall not exercise the following procedural rights provided to executive senators by the standing orders:
   (i) move a motion connected with the conduct of the business of the Senate at any time without notice,
   (ii) move that a bill be declared urgent and, if the motion is agreed to, move further motions concerning the time allocated for consideration of the bill,
   (iii) move at any time that the Senate adjourn,
   (iv) move for the adjournment of debate, having spoken in the debate,
   (v) move that the question be now put on more than one occasion, and
   (vi) present documents.

Notice given 12 September 2017

*491 Senator Abetz: To move—

(1) That the Senate notes that:
   (a) Ms Nicole Wells was appointed to the Fair Work Commission on 5 August 2013 on the recommendation of the Honourable Bill Shorten, MP, as the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations;
   (b) the Registered Organisations Commission is currently investigating the conduct of Ms Wells as a union official; and
   (c) the Tasmanian Integrity Commission is currently investigating the circumstances around her appointment to the Tasmanian Industrial Commission.

(2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Employment, by no later than 15 September 2017, all documents held by the Department of Employment relating to the appointment of Ms Wells to the Fair Work Commission, including correspondence and due diligence paperwork.

*492 Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson): To move—that the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Lands Acquisition Act 1989, and for related purposes. Lands Acquisition Amendment (Public Purpose) Bill 2017.
*493 Senator McKim: To move—That the government business order of the day relating to the consideration of the Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017 be discharged from the Notice Paper.

*494 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the Senate—
(a) acknowledges that there is a crisis in the management of the Murray-Darling Basin which has led to the theft of water and depleted the environmental health of the river system;
(b) notes that this matter requires urgent attention and government intervention;
(c) notes that there is considerable uncertainty about any executive action the current Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources may take because of the unresolved questions around his eligibility and possible lack of legal authority to be a Minister of State under section 64 of the Constitution; and
(d) resolves that the Senate will not consider any bills within the Minister’s portfolio until the Prime Minister reallocates the Agriculture and Water Resources portfolio to another minister with clear legal authority to act.

*495 Senator Xenophon: To move—
(1) That the Senate notes that:
(a) the Government has embarked on a $35 billion program to provide nine Future Frigates to the Royal Australian Navy;
(b) on 31 March 2017, a Request for Tender (RFT) was released by the Department of Defence to three foreign companies which stated that it was the Commonwealth’s intention that the successful tenderer will directly manage and supervise the workforce undertaking the shipbuilding work, and that the responsibility for build management and supervision should not be subcontracted in its entirety to a third party entity;
(c) the effect of these RFT terms is that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal have been locked out of priming the Frigate Program project and this current plan places Australian shipbuilders in the shadows of new invitee foreign shipyards; noting ASC Shipbuilding has no work on its order books beyond 2019, the Government’s approach could have significant impact on the future prospects of the company, and Austal will survive but certainly will not thrive;
(d) the current RFT will not serve to create a sovereign shipbuilding capability, but rather have the opposite effect;
(e) the Minister for Defence Industry has been quoted in the media stating that advice from the Department of Defence is that changing the RFT to mandate a particular shipbuilder would result in a delay of at least two years; and
(f) it is implausible that permitting the fully-established, world-class, Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal and their experienced workforce and proven track records would slow down a program that would otherwise require the setting up, from scratch, of a foreign shipbuilder with no current workforce.
(2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, by the close of business on 14 September 2017, the advice that the Minister for Defence Industry is relying on to state that changing the RFT to mandate a particular shipbuilder would result in a delay of at least two years.

*496 Senator Singh: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the consequences of the ongoing conflict in Yemen between Houthi rebels and the coalition forces supporting the recognised President Abdrabbuh Mansour Hadi have proven devastating for the country and its population,

(ii) approximately 3 million Yemenis have been internally displaced, and more than 8 400 have been killed in the conflict, including 5 100 civilians of whom 1 200 were children,

(iii) the humanitarian situation in Yemen is catastrophic, with the United Nation’s Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) declaring in February 2017 that Yemen is the “largest food security emergency in the world”,

(iv) there are 2.2 million children in Yemen suffering severe acute malnourishment, with one child dying every ten minutes from preventable causes, and

(v) despite international calls for a political solution to the crisis, the parties to the conflict have failed to reach a settlement, with neither side having achieved a military victory and being unlikely to do so in the future;

(b) supports:

(i) the Australian Government’s pledge on 24 April 2017 of $10 million in aid to Yemen,

(ii) the sentiments espoused in the European Parliament’s 14 June 2017 resolution on the humanitarian situation in Yemen, and

(iii) the actions of humanitarian aid groups, such as UNICEF, in working to bring aid to the people of Yemen, including helping to provide access to safe water to more than 2 million people and vaccinating nearly 5 million children against polio; and

(c) urges:

(i) all parties to the conflict to comply with international humanitarian law and international human rights law, in an effort to ensure the protection of civilians and civilian infrastructure,

(ii) all parties to the conflict to work to remove logistical and financial obstacles to the import and distribution of food and medical supplies to civilians, and

(iii) the Australian Government to continue to work closely with other donors, countries in the region, and humanitarian partners to ensure the safe passage of aid to the most vulnerable people.
*497 Senators Rhiannon, Rice and Cameron: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Australian Human Rights Commission estimates that one in four of the 20 000 homeless young people in NSW is gay or lesbian,
(ii) there is a general lack of Australian research on LGBTIQ homelessness,
(iii) international research, for example, ‘LGBT Selective Victimization: Unprotected Youth on the Streets’ (Ventimiglia, 2012), shows that LGBTIQ people, especially trans people and young people, are disproportionately affected by homelessness, and
(iv) university campuses have been working with students and the Australian Queer Student Network to provide crisis accommodation on campus after LGBTIQ students have been discovered sleeping in classrooms and university spaces set aside for LGBTIQ students; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) work with community stakeholders to develop plans for ending LGBTIQ homelessness, including targeted strategies to support students and young people in LGBTIQ communities who are experiencing homelessness,
(ii) collaborate with stakeholders to secure national data on LGBTIQ homelessness, and
(iii) ensure specific LGBTIQ homelessness programs and an urgent assessment of funding and resourcing needs are addressed in National Housing and Homelessness Agreement negotiations with states.

*498 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the Senate—

(a) considers coal-fired power stations in Australia will need to close in order to deal with climate change; and

(b) notes that the Government must have a plan for a managed transition of the workforce and to a clean energy future.

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

472 Alcohol and drug rehabilitation services—Order for production of documents

By the Minister representing the Minister for Health, by the close of business on 13 September 2017, documents relating to alcohol and drug rehabilitation services.
(Motion of Senator Kakoschke-Moore agreed to 7 September 2017.)
**ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS—EXPLANATION**

[order number 488]

The Senate notes that:

(a) on 5 September 2017, the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry for:

(i) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and ASC Pty Ltd in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the $35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide,

(ii) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and Austal in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the $35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide,

(iii) any correspondence between the Department of Defence and the three prospective design partners in response to the announcement that Australian shipbuilders ASC Pty Ltd and Austal would partner to win the contract to build the $35 billion Future Frigate in Adelaide, and

(iv) any other documentation held by the Future Frigate project that discusses Australian Industry Capability, the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program;

(b) on 7 September 2017, the Minister for Defence tabled a letter in response claiming public interest immunity, and stated that release of such documents would potentially damage national security, damage international relations and adversely affect the Department of Defence’s negotiation position in respect of future contracts;

(c) information on Australian Industry Capability and the partnering or use of Australian shipyards, and how Techport and other Australian facilities might be used in the program are not matters that would reasonably attract a security classification – the order for production of documents does not seek access to any documents that have been marked with national security markings, only unclassified data;

(d) the tender is restricted to three foreign companies: BAE Systems, Fincantieri and Navantia – a claim that disclosing documents passed to three commercial companies could in some way affect Australia’s international relations is not a reasonable claim;
(e) the Government is seeking to negotiate a contract that prevents established Australian shipbuilders and their workers from a lead role in Australia’s Continuous Naval Shipbuilding Program – this approach will have the opposite effect of a creating a sovereign capability – contract negotiations under the current tender arrangements will be harmful to Australian industry and national security; and

(f) on 16 July 1975, the Senate laid out by resolution its position with respect to public interest immunity claims – paragraph 4 of that resolution makes it clear that, while the Senate may permit claims of public interest immunity to be advanced, it reserves the right to determine whether a particular claim will be accepted.

(2) The Senate does not accept the public interest immunity claim made by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry in relation to the order for production of documents number 449 and requires the minister to table documents in full compliance with order for the production of documents number 449 by the commencement of business on 13 September 2017.

(3) If the Minister does not comply with this order for the production of documents by the specified time, the Senate requires the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry to attend the Senate at the end of question time on 13 September 2017, so that any senator may ask for an explanation in connection with this matter, and at the conclusion of the explanation any senator may move without notice a motion to take note of the explanation or any failure to provide an explanation.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (14 September 2017)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on whistleblower protections.

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on toll roads.

Government Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 11 September 2017

1 Minister for Defence (Senator Payne): To move—That, in accordance with section 5 of the Parliament Act 1974, the Senate approves the proposal by the National Capital Authority for capital works within the Parliamentary Zone, relating to the demolition of the kiosk adjoining the Lobby restaurant in Parkes.
General Business—Order of the Day relating to Private Senators’ Bills

# Lands Acquisition Amendment (Public Purpose) Bill 2017—(subject to introduction)

39 Criminal Code Amendment (Prohibition of Full Face Coverings in Public Places) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senator Lambie)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 16 February 2017).

On 15 September 2017

Order for Production of Documents

450 Murray-Darling Basin—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by the start of business on 15 September 2017, correspondence and documents relating to the store and release of environmental water within the Murray-Darling Basin. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 5 September 2017.)

On 9 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Order 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 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 16 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
Report to be presented on penalty rates and the provisions of the Fair Work (Pay Protection) Bill 2017.

2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
Report to be presented on the protection of personal Medicare information.

3 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2017 and the Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Amendment Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
5 Economics Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Income Tax Rates Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Treasury Laws Amendment (Untainting Tax) (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 and the Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

6 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)


(Bill exempted on 6 September 2017 from the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111)

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 6 September 2017

466 Senator Singh: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that, on 30 August 2017, an agreement regarding the legal status of maritime boundaries in the Timor Sea was concluded between Australia and Timor-Leste;

(b) acknowledges that this agreement was reached as a result of Timor-Leste’s invocation of the compulsory conciliation procedures in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS);

(c) further acknowledges:

(i) the significance of Australia’s ongoing relationship with Timor-Leste,

(ii) the capacity for that relationship to contribute positively to regional prosperity and stability, and
(iii) the potential for this agreement to resolve more than 40 years of tension and uncertainty between Australia and Timor-Leste, serving as a catalyst for a new era of collaboration and cooperation;

(d) recognises and affirms:
   (i) the importance of a rules-based international order to the maintenance of international peace and security,
   (ii) the capacity for instruments, such as UNCLOS, to contribute to the preservation of that order, by facilitating peaceful resolutions to disputes between states, and
   (iii) the necessity of cooperative state engagement with the procedures of international law to that law’s successful operation; and

(e) calls upon the Government to adhere to and implement in good faith the terms of this agreement.

On 17 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 15 August 2017


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

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

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.

3 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula.

4 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the 2017-18 Budget estimates.

5 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on online poker.
On 31 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on asbestos.

2 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on the life insurance industry.

On 13 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017. *(Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)*

2 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the future of rugby union in Australia.

Seven sitting days after today (14 November 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 16 August 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Legal Services Directions 2017, made under the *Judiciary Act 1903*, be disallowed [F2017L00369].
   
   *Eight sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.*

On 14 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the 1800 RESPECT Domestic and Sexual Violence National Counselling Service.
General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 20 June 2017

371 Senator Rice: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that the Select Committee on the Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill tabled its report on 15 February 2017; and
   (b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Attorney-General, by no later than 9.30 am on 16 November 2017, a statement outlining the Government’s intentions in relation to the findings of the report.

Notice of motion altered on 20 June, 21 June, 6 September and 11 September 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.

On 15 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Procedure—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on a proposal for a Parliamentary Code for Respecting Cultural Diversity.

2 Procedure—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on a proposal to amend standing order 193.

3 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Community Development Program.

Nine sitting days after today (16 November 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 4 September 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—that the Inspector of Transport Security Regulations 2017, made under the Inspector of Transport Security Act 2006, be disallowed [F2017L00510].

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

On 23 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impact of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure.
On 27 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee  
Report to be presented on the affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs.

On 28 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates—Select Committee  
Report to be presented.

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee  
Report to be presented on the law of contempt.

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

On 29 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee  
Report to be presented on shark mitigation and deterrent measures.

2 Environment and Communications References Committee  
Report to be presented on the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity.

3 Environment and Communications References Committee  
Report to be presented on the waste and recycling industry in Australia.

4 Community Affairs References Committee  
Report to be presented on the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020.

5 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee  
Report to be presented on cyberbullying.

6 Lending to Primary Production Customers—Select Committee  
Report to be presented.

On 30 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee  
Report to be presented on the impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities.

2 Community Affairs References Committee  
Report to be presented on transvaginal mesh implants.
On 1 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s steel industry.

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

3 Red Tape—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 4 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on implications of climate change for Australia’s national security.

2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the digital delivery of government services.

On 5 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on availability and accessibility of diagnostic imaging equipment around Australia.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin.

On 6 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the regulation of remotely piloted and unmanned aircraft systems.

On 7 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Future of Public Interest Journalism—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility.
3 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on foreign bribery.

4 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on biosecurity risks associated with the importation of
   seafood and seafood products into Australia.

5 Political Influence of Donations—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 14 February 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s trade and investment relationships with the
   countries of Africa.

On 18 February 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on aged care assessment and accreditation.

On the second sitting Tuesday in 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Privileges—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on the implications for the use of intrusive powers by law
   enforcement and intelligence agencies on the privileges and immunities of
   members of Parliament.

On the second sitting Tuesday in February 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the postal survey concerning same-sex marriage.

On the first sitting day in March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Final report to be presented on the provisions of the Airports Amendment Bill
   2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On the second last sitting day of the autumn sittings of 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the rehabilitation of mining and resources projects.

On the last sitting day of the autumn sittings of 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the banking, insurance and financial services sector.

On 30 April 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On the final sitting day of November 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Joint Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

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OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Airports Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions] ‡
   Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 9 February 2017; reporting date (final): first sitting day in March 2018)

Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
   Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017 ‡
   Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 7 September 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017 ‡
   Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 13 September 2017)
Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017
Provisions of the bill referred to the Education and Employment References Committee as part of the committee’s inquiry into penalty rates (referred 19 June 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 9 October 2017)

Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Income Tax Rates Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Treasury Laws Amendment (Untainting Tax) (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2017 and the Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 August 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 17 October 2017)

National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 15 June 2017; reporting date: 13 September 2017)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 13 November 2017)
Vaporised Nicotine Products Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 13 September 2017)
‡ Reference adopted by the Senate following a recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee.

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills

Plebiscite (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill 2016
Second reading negatived, 7 November 2016.

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Omnibus Savings and Child Care Reform) Bill 2017
Discharged, 23 March 2017.

Private senators’ bills

A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Amendment (Make Electricity GST Free) Bill 2017
Second reading negatived, 7 September 2017.

Social Security Amendment (Caring for People on Newstart) Bill 2017
Second reading negatived, 14 August 2017.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

Question nos, as shown, from 163 to 514 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

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)

Estimates hearings—2016-17 additional estimates; 2017-18 Budget estimates
(1) That estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2017 be scheduled as follows:

2016-17 additional estimates:
  Monday, 27 February and Tuesday, 28 February (Group A)
  Wednesday, 1 March and Thursday, 2 March (Group B).

2017-18 Budget estimates:
  Monday, 22 May to Thursday, 25 May, and, if required, Friday, 26 May (Group A)
Monday, 29 May to Thursday, 1 June, and, if required, Friday, 2 June (Group B)
Monday, 23 October and Tuesday, 24 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)
Wednesday, 25 October and Thursday, 26 October (supplementary hearings—Group B).

(2) That pursuant to the orders of the Senate of 26 August 2008, cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters be scheduled for Friday, 3 March, Friday, 26 May and Friday, 27 October 2017, but not restricted to these days.

(2A) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 26 May 2017 and Friday, 27 October 2017.

(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.

(5) That the committees report to the Senate on the following dates:

(a) Tuesday, 28 March 2017 in respect of the 2016-17 additional estimates; and

(b) Tuesday, 20 June 2017 in respect of the 2017-18 Budget estimates.

*(Agreed to 8 November 2016; varied 8 February 2017; varied 29 March 2017 in respect of paragraph (2A)*

**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)*
Exemption of bills—consideration of legislation
That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017, allowing it to be considered during this period of sittings.
(Agreed to 6 September 2017)

That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:
Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017
Defence Legislation Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017
Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017
Imported Food Control Amendment Bill 2017
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017
Statute Update (Smaller Government) Bill 2017
Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment (Omnibus) Bill 2017.
(Agreed to 7 September 2017)

That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the Australian Grape and Wine Authority Amendment (Wine Australia) Bill 2017, allowing it to be considered during this period of sittings.
(Agreed to 12 September 2017)

First speech—Senator Brockman
That consideration of the business before the Senate on Tuesday, 17 October 2017, be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Brockman to make his first speech without any question before the chair.
(Agreed to 5 September 2017)

Meeting of Senate—2017
That the days of meeting of the Senate for the remainder of 2017 be as follows:
Autumn sittings:
Tuesday, 7 February to Thursday, 9 February
Monday, 13 February to Thursday, 16 February
Autumn sittings (2):
Monday, 20 March to Thursday, 23 March
Monday, 27 March to Thursday, 30 March
Budget sittings:
Tuesday, 9 May to Thursday, 11 May
Winter sittings:
Tuesday, 13 June to Thursday, 15 June
Monday, 19 June to Thursday, 22 June
Spring sittings:
  Tuesday, 8 August to Thursday, 10 August
  Monday, 14 August to Thursday, 17 August
  Monday, 4 September to Thursday, 7 September
  Monday, 11 September to Thursday, 14 September

Spring sittings (2):
  Monday, 16 October to Thursday, 19 October

Spring sittings (3):
  Monday, 13 November to Thursday, 16 November
  Monday, 27 November to Thursday, 30 November
  Monday, 4 December to Thursday, 7 December.

(Agreed to 8 November 2016)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Mr Ludlam

Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Western Australia in the Senate for the place for which Senator Ludlam was returned;

(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘no’, is there a casual vacancy in the representation of Western Australia in the Senate within the meaning of s 15 of the Constitution; and

(d) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference.

(Agreed to 8 August 2017)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Ms Waters

Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate for the place for which Senator Waters was returned;

(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘no’, is there a casual vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate within the meaning of s 15 of the Constitution; and

(d) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference.

(Agreed to 8 August 2017)
Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Canavan
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—
(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate for the place for which Senator Matthew Canavan was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;
(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and
(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 8 August 2017)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Nash
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—
(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of New South Wales in the Senate for the place for which Senator Fiona Nash was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;
(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and
(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 4 September 2017)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Roberts
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—
(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate for the place for which Senator Roberts was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;
(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and
(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 9 August 2017)
Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Xenophon
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—
(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of South Australia in the Senate for the place for which Senator Nick Xenophon was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;
(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and
(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 4 September 2017)

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)
Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
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 moved 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)**  
**Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)**  
**Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)**  
**Senator Bernardi**  
**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)
Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
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)
Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
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)
Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
Senator Bernardi
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)
   Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   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)
   Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
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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.

APPPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

Advisory Council on Australian Archives
Senator Moore (appointed 12 February 2015, for a period of 3 years).

Council of the National Library of Australia
Senator Moore (appointed 10 November 2016, for a period of 3 years).

Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Trust
Senators Macdonald and Marshall (appointed 23 June 2011; with effect on and from 1 July 2011, and 7 July 2011, respectively).

RICHARD PYE
Clerk of the Senate

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# Ministerial Representation

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  Leader of the Government in the Senate | Prime Minister  
  Minister for Foreign Affairs  
  Minister for Justice  
  Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Counter-Terrorism  
  Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cyber Security |
| Senator the Honourable Fiona Nash  
  Minister for Regional Development  
  Minister for Local Government and Territories  
  Minister for Regional Communications  
  Deputy Leader of The Nationals | Deputy Prime Minister  
  Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources  
  Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
  Minister for Urban Infrastructure  
  Minister for Health  
  Minister for Aged Care  
  Minister for Indigenous Health |
| Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann  
  Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate | Treasurer  
  Minister for Revenue and Financial Services  
  Minister for Small Business |
| Senator the Honourable Nigel Scullion  
  Minister for Indigenous Affairs  
  Leader of The Nationals in the Senate | Minister for Resources and Northern Australia |
| Senator the Honourable Mitchell (Mitch) Fifield  
  Minister for Communications  
  Minister for the Arts  
  Manager of Government Business in the Senate | Minister for Sport |
| Senator the Honourable Marise Payne  
  Minister for Defence | Minister for Defence Industry  
  Minister for Veterans’ Affairs  
  Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC  
  Minister for Defence Personnel |
| Senator the Honourable Michaelia Cash  
  Minister for Employment  
  Minister for Women  
  Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service | Minister for Immigration and Border Protection |
| Senator the Honourable Simon Birmingham  
  Minister for Education and Training | Minister for the Environment and Energy |
| Senator the Honourable Arthur Sinodinos AO  
  Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science | Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment |
| Senator the Honourable Concetta Fierravanti-Wells  
  Minister for International Development and the Pacific | |
| Senator the Honourable Scott Ryan  
  Special Minister of State  
  Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cabinet Resources | Minister for Social Services  
  Minister for Human Services |
| Assistant Ministers – Designated as Parliamentary Secretaries under the Ministers of State Act 1952 |
| Senator the Honourable Anne Ruston  
  Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources | |
| Senator the Honourable James McGrath  
  Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister | |
| Senator the Honourable Zed Seselja  
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### Key

- < = Date of Senate ½ Cut-Off
- B = Budget
- S = Senate sitting week only
- † = Additional estimates
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- ± = Supplementary Budget estimates
- Ω = Cross portfolio estimates
- hearings on Indigenous matters,
  and Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters