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Senators Bernardi, Gallacher, Ketter, Leyonhjelm, Marshall, O’Sullivan, Reynolds, Sterle, Whish-Wilson and Williams

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BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY
BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Deferred Vote

1 Social Security Amendment (Caring for People on Newstart) Bill 2017
Pursuant to the order of the Senate of 10 August 2017, vote to be taken on the next
day of sitting—That the bill be now read a second time. (10 August 2017).

Notices of Motion

Notice given 9 August 2017

1 Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the following matter be referred to the
Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 29 November 2017:
The use of discretionary trusts in Australia, with particular reference to:
(a) the structure and purpose of discretionary trusts;
(b) the process of establishing discretionary trusts;
(c) the role and profile of trustees and beneficiaries across different personal
and commercial sectors;
(d) the current taxation structure for discretionary trusts, including the extent of
tax minimisation and avoidance;
(e) alternative taxation structures for discretionary trusts, including any tax
minimisation and avoidance issues; and
(f) any other related matters.

Notice given 10 August 2017

*2 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the following matters be referred to the
Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report
by 5 December 2017:
The ongoing integrity of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, with particular
reference to:
(a) the allegations of theft and corruption in the management of water resources
in the Murray-Darling Basin;
(b) the failure of authorities, including the New South Wales State Government
and the Murray-Darling Basin Authority, to investigate and publicly
disclose reported breaches of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan, including the
Barwon-Darling Water Sharing Plan;
(c) the actions of member states, including responses to allegations of
corruption and the potential undermining of the Basin Plan;
(d) the use of Commonwealth-owned environmental water for irrigation
purposes, and the impact on Basin communities and environment;
(e) the operation, expenditure and oversight of funds in the Water for the
Environment Special Account; and
(f) any other related matters.
Senator Pratt: To move—That arrangements relating to the collection of statistical information on the views of all Australians on the electoral roll on whether or not the law should be changed to allow same-sex couples to marry, as announced by the Government (the postal survey), be referred to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee for inquiry and report by the second sitting Tuesday in February 2018, with particular reference to:

(a) what information will be collected and how it will be collected, aggregated and reported;
(b) what departments and agencies will be involved and what resources will be provided;
(c) the legislative basis for the collection and how matters such as advertising, fraud, access to the roll and privacy will be regulated;
(d) the integrity of the roll and the potential for disenfranchisement of voters;
(e) protections against offensive, misleading or intimidating material or behaviour, especially towards affected communities;
(f) how issues incurred during the collection will be addressed;
(g) whether the information will be stored and what controls on future access will apply;
(h) all aspects of the conduct of the collection and related matters; and
(i) proposals for use of the information obtained, including to inform future legislation.

Orders 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.

2 Strengthening Multiculturalism—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

3 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Regional Investment Corporation Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 November 2016).

2 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
3 Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (20 June 2017).

4 Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2017—(Minister for Education and Training, Senator Birmingham)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 August 2017).

5 Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Cameron, in continuation, 10 August 2017).

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

7 Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017
Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 June 2017).

8 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Broadcasting Reform) Bill 2017
Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) Bill 2017
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

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

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

11 Treasury Laws Amendment (2017 Enterprise Incentives No. 2) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

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

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

15 National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016—(Special Minister of State, Senator Ryan)
16 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).

17 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).

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

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

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

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

22 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).

23 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).

24 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 10 August 2017

*413 Senator Gallagher: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Taxation Administration Act 1953, and for related purposes. Taxation Administration Amendment (Corporate Tax Entity Information) Bill 2017.

*414 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes the issues raised about retirement villages in the Four Corners report ‘Bleed Them Dry Until They Die’ on 26 June 2017;
(b) expresses concern about the issues raised in the report, including excessive fees, complex contracts and misleading advertising;
(c) acknowledges that such issues are not restricted to retirement villages;
(d) is aware that there was a parliamentary inquiry that looked at similar issues within the retirement village sector in 2007, and that the relevant recommendations have not been implemented;
(e) acknowledges retirement housing reform is on the agenda for the upcoming meeting of Consumer Affairs Ministers; and
(f) urges the Federal Government to take a leadership role in developing nationally-consistent regulation of retirement housing across the various tenures that provides strong protections to residents and their families.

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (15 August 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 31 March 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Amendment (Sunsetting and Disallowance Exemptions) Regulation 2016, made under the Legislation Act 2003, be disallowed [F2016L01897].

Two sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.
Notice given 9 August 2017

2 Senator Xenophon: To move—that the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 28 November 2017:

(a) the recommendations of the 1987 Australian Law Reform Commission report on contempt, and in particular, the recommendation that the common law principles of contempt be abolished and replaced by statutory provisions;
(b) the recommendations of the 2003 New South Wales Law Reform Commission on contempt by publication and the need to achieve clarity and precision in the operation of the law on sub-judice contempt;
(c) the development and operation of statutory provisions in Australia and overseas that codify common law principles of contempt;
(d) the importance of balancing principles, including freedom of speech and expression, the right of fair trial by an impartial tribunal, public scrutiny of the operations of the court system and the protection of the authority, reputation and due process of the courts; and
(e) any other related matters.

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

Report to be presented on Australian veterans.

General Business—Notices of Motion

Notice given 24 November 2016

127 Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—that the Senate notes the wide ranging problems with Australia’s justice system, including access to justice.

Notice given 9 August 2017

412 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—that the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) this week marks the 72nd anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which killed more than 200 000 people in 1945,
(ii) the current global stockpile of nuclear weapons is around 15 000 weapons, held by nine countries,
(iii) on 7 July 2017, 122 nations voted at the United Nations to adopt a Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, which prohibits nations from developing, testing, producing, manufacturing, transferring, possessing, stockpiling, using or threatening to use nuclear weapons, or allowing nuclear weapons to be stationed on their territory,
(iv) the adoption of the Treaty puts nuclear weapons on the same footing as other weapons of mass destruction, and represents a significant step forward in global efforts to eradicate nuclear weapons, and
(v) despite clear global support and the obvious need to reinvigorate international nuclear disarmament architecture, the Australian Government did not participate in Treaty negotiations; and

(b) calls on the Government to sign the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons when it opens for signature on 20 September 2017.

On 17 August 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 the Australian dairy industry.

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 4 September 2017, a statement outlining the Government’s intentions in relation to the findings of the report.

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

General Business—Orders of the Day relating to Private Senators’ Bills

53 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Palm Oil) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senator Xenophon)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Xenophon, in continuation, 21 June 2017).

41 Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senator Xenophon)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Xenophon, in continuation, 13 February 2017).

On 31 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on asbestos.
On 4 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017.
   (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on corporate avoidance of the Fair Work Act 2009.

3 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*5 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Validation of Decisions) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 5 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order 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.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 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).

On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2017 (6 September 2017)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees
   Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017.
On 6 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2017 and Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 7 September 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 (Better Targeting Student Payments) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 11 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Corporations Amendment (Modernisation of Members Registration) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 8 August 2017

393 Senator Roberts: To move—that the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017 to provide for members of the Parliament to voluntarily opt-out of payment of certain remuneration and allowances, and for related purposes. Parliamentary Business Resources Amendment (Voluntary Opt-out) Bill 2017.

On 12 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

*2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 13 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

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

On 14 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on online poker.

On 30 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 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.)

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

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

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

On 31 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

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—Order of the Day

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

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

On 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—Order 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.
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.

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 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 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 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)

Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 August 2017; reporting date: 12 September 2017)

Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 4 September 2017)

Corporations Amendment (Modernisation of Members Registration) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 11 September 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
- Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 30 March 2017; reporting date: 4 September 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)

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 Amendment (Validation of Decisions) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 August 2017; reporting date: 4 September 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: 5 September 2017)

Regional Investment Corporation Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 14 August 2017)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Better Targeting Student Payments) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 7 September 2017)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 7 September 2017)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 4 September 2017)

Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 6 September 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.
 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

Nos 163 to 171, 315, 341, 346 to 350, 358 to 368, 395, 427 to 429, 442, 443, 446, 473 to 475, 477, 481, 482, 484, 488 to 490, 493 to 503, 505 to 515.

Question nos, as shown, from 163 to 490 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
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)

First speech—Senator Georgiou
That consideration of the business before the Senate on Wednesday, 16 August 2017, be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Georgiou to make his first speech without any question before the chair.
   (Agreed to 9 May 2017, varied 13 June 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 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)

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)
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   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Lambie
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   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)
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   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
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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.
APPOINTMENTS 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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Minister for Local Government and Territories  
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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Urban Infrastructure  
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Minister for Aged Care  
Minister for Indigenous Health |
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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 |
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| 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 | Minister for Social Services  
Minister for Human Services |
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| Senator the Honourable James McGrath  
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