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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**
  - Initiated by ministers
    - Government bills
    - Proposed changes to the order of business

- **General business**
  - Initiated by senators who are not ministers
    - Notices 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

Notices of Motion

Notice given 30 August 2016

1 Senator Leyonhjelm: To move—That the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment (Shotguns and Shotgun Magazines) Regulation 2016, made under the Customs Act 1901, be disallowed [F2016L01255].

Last day for resolving**.

**Indicates sitting days remaining, including today, within which the motion must be disposed of or the Regulation will be deemed to have been disallowed.

Notice given 10 October 2016

2 Senator Xenophon: To move—That the Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment (Part 101) Regulation 2016, made under the Civil Aviation Act 1988 and Transport Safety Investigation Act 2003, be disallowed [F2016L00400].

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

Notice given 8 November 2016

3 Senators Xenophon, Griff and Kakoschke-Moore: To move—That the following matters be referred to the Standing Committee of Privileges for inquiry and report by 14 August 2017:

(a) the implications of the use of intrusive powers by law enforcement and intelligence agencies, including in relation to electronic surveillance and metadata domestic preservation orders, on the privileges and immunities of members of Parliament;

(b) whether current oversight and reporting regimes on the use of intrusive powers are adequate to protect the capacity of members of Parliament to carry out their functions, including whether the requirements of parliamentary privilege are sufficiently acknowledged;

(c) the need for specific protocols to be developed on any or all of the following matters:

   (i) access by law enforcement or intelligence agencies to information held by parliamentary departments or departments of state (or portfolio agencies) in relation to members of Parliament or their staff,

   (ii) access in accordance with the provisions of the Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979 by law enforcement or intelligence agencies to metadata or other electronic material in relation to members of Parliament or their staff, held by carriers or carriage service providers, and
(iii) activities of intelligence agencies in relation to members of Parliament or their staff (with reference to the agreement between the Speaker of the New Zealand House of Representatives and the New Zealand Security Intelligence Service); and

(d) any related matters.

Notice given 9 November 2016

4 Senators Griff and Xenophon: To move—that the following matters be referred to the Community Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 20 March 2017:

Price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework, with particular reference to:

(a) the operation of relevant legislative and regulatory instruments;

(b) opportunities for creating a more competitive basis for the purchase and reimbursement of prostheses;

(c) the role and function of the Prostheses List Advisory Committee (PLAC) and its subcommittees;

(d) the cost of medical devices and prostheses for privately insured patients versus public hospital patients and patients in other countries;

(e) the impact the current Prostheses List Framework has on the affordability of private health insurance in Australia;

(f) the benefits of reforming the reference pricing system with Australian and international benchmarks;

(g) the benefits of any other pricing mechanism arrangements, including but not limited to those adopted by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme, such as:

(i) mandatory price disclosure,

(ii) value-based pricing, and

(iii) reference pricing;

(h) price data and analytics to reveal the extent of and where costs are being generated within the supply chain, with a particular focus on the device categories of cardiac, Intra Ocular Lens Systems (IOLS), hips, knees, spine and trauma;

(i) any interactions between Government decision-making and device manufacturers or stakeholders and their lobbyists; and

(j) other related matters.

Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
*3 Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016—Motion for disallowance

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)—That the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016, made under the Judiciary Act 1903, be disallowed [F2016L00645] (Senator Wong, in continuation, 10 November 2016).

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 November 2016).

2 VET Student Loans Bill 2016
   VET Student Loans (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016
   VET Student Loans (Charges) Bill 2016—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Hanson-Young, in continuation, 9 November 2016).

3 Register of Foreign Ownership of Agricultural Land Amendment (Water) Bill 2016—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 November 2016).

4 Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 November 2016).

5 Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Petroleum Pools and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 November 2016).

6 Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016
   Treasury Laws Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016
   Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2016
   Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2016—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 November 2016).
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7 Criminal Code Amendment (High Risk Terrorist Offenders) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).

8 Migration Amendment (Character Cancellation Consequential Provisions) Bill 2016—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 October 2016).

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

10 Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 September 2016).

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

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

13 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).

Notice of Motion

Notice given 10 November 2016

*1 Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield): To move—That—

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

(b) on Monday, 21 November 2016, the business of the Senate notice of motion proposing the disallowance of the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment (Shotguns and Shotgun Magazines) Regulation 2016, standing in the name of Senator Leyonhjelm, for that day be called on no later than 6.10 pm; and

(c) if consideration of the motion listed in paragraph (b) is not concluded at 6.25 pm, the questions on the unresolved motion shall then be put.
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 8 November 2016
103 Senator Burston: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that:
      (i) the rules committee of the High Court has failed to comply with its own rules in relation to the issue of process in the name of the Queen, and
      (ii) in a response to the Attorney-General, following a question from Senator Culleton, the High Court has acknowledged its error; and
   (b) calls on the Government to table in the Senate the response from the High Court to allow the Senate to determine whether the rules committee has complied with the provisions of the High Court Act 1979.

Notice given 9 November 2016
109 Senator Lambie: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, by no later than 3.30 pm on 28 November 2016, all recordings of the Australian Defence Force’s Resistance to Interrogation Training Programs.

110 Senator Abetz: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that:
      (i) the Fair Work Commission found Ms Kimberley Kitching provided untruthful and unreliable evidence in Health Services Union-Victoria No. 1 Branch [2015] FWC 3359, and it also found her conduct strikes at the heart of the integrity of the right of entry permit system, and
      (ii) this decision was upheld on appeal by three members; and
   (b) calls on anyone appearing before the Fair Work Commission to provide reliable and truthful evidence.

Notice given 10 November 2016

*112 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the Senate calls on the Turnbull Government to abandon moves to implement the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPPA), given that Mr Donald Trump has been elected President of the United States of America.
ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

16 Government response to committee report—Select Committee on Wind Turbines—Order for production of document

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

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (22 November 2016)

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 Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 23 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
Report to be presented on large capacity fishing vessels.

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
Report to be presented on the access by children to internet pornography.

*3 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (Fair and Sustainable Superannuation) Bill 2016 and the Superannuation (Excess Transfer Balance Tax) Imposition Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 24 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
Report to be presented on 2016 Census.

*2 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Civil Nuclear Transfers to India Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
Order for Production of Documents

**SEA 1000 Future Submarine project—Design and Mobilisation Contract—DCNS—Order for production of documents**

By the Minister for Defence, by the start of business on 24 November 2016, the Design and Mobilisation Contract signed by the Commonwealth of Australia and the DCNS on 30 September 2016. (*Motion of Senators Xenophon and Carr agreed to 9 November 2016.*)

**On 28 November 2016**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2. **Environment and Communications References Committee**
   Interim report to be presented on closures of electricity generators.

*3. **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016. (*Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.*)

General Business—Notice of Motion

*Notice given 13 October 2016*

92. **Senator Farrell:** To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 to improve donation transparency and accountability, and for related purposes. *Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donation Reform and Transparency) Bill 2016.*

**On 29 November 2016**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

**On 30 November 2016**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

3. **Community Affairs References Committee**
   Report to be presented on the medical complaints process.
4 Education and Employment References Committee
Report to be presented on the Government’s Workplace Bargaining Policy.

*5 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016. *(Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)*

**On 1 December 2016**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

Order for Production of Documents

By the Minister representing the Minister for Foreign Affairs, by no later than 1 December 2016, the modelling referred to by New Zealand in the United Nations Framework on the Convention of Climate Change session that details the Government's emission and removals projections for 2030. *(Motion of Senator Ludlam agreed to 7 November 2016.)*

**On 6 December 2016**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

**On 1 February 2017**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
Final report to be presented on closures of electricity generators.

**On 7 February 2017**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
Report to be presented on airport and aviation security at Australian airports.
*3 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*4 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Seafarers and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016, the Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Bill 2016 and the Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Collection Bill 2016. (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 Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 November 2016).

On 8 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

Ten sitting days after today (9 February 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 13 October 2016

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—that the Class of Persons Defined as Fast Track Applicants 2016/010, made under paragraph 5(1AA)(b) of the Migration Act 1958, be disallowed [F2016L00377].

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

2 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—that the Class of Persons Defined as Fast Track Applicants 2016/007, made under paragraph 5(1AA)(b) of the Migration Act 1958, be disallowed [F2016L00455].

Eleven sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.
3 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Class of Persons Defined as Fast Track Applicants 2016/008, made under paragraph 5(1AA)(b) of the Migration Act 1958, be disallowed [F2016L00456].

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

On 10 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World—Select Committee

Report to be presented.

On 14 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Economics Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 15 February 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Thirteen sitting days after today (15 February 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 9 November 2016

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Aboriginal Land Grant (Jervis Bay Territory) By-Laws 2016, made under the Aboriginal Land Grant (Jervis Bay Territory) Act 1986, be disallowed [F2016L00619].

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

On the second last sitting day in February 2017 (15 February 2017)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee

Report to be presented on the commercial use of Tasmanian bumblebees.
On 24 February 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   1 Economics References Committee
       Report to be presented on the Australian dairy industry.

On 28 February 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   1 Economics References Committee
       Report to be presented on the penalties for white collar crime or misconduct.

On 20 March 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   *1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
       Report to be presented on the ADF’s resistance to interrogation training.

On the tenth sitting day of 2017 (22 March 2017)
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   1 Legislation Committees
       Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2016.

On 28 March 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   1 Legislation Committees
       Reports to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

On the second last sitting day in March 2017 (29 March 2017)
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
   1 Environment and Communications References Committee
       Report to be presented on oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight.

On 30 March 2017
Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day
   1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
       Report to be presented on Australian veterans.
   2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
       Report to be presented on gender segregation in the workplace.
On the last sitting day in March 2017 (30 March 2017)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

3 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016. *(Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)*

On 31 March 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 27 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS), Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and associated systems.

On 28 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on asbestos.

On 11 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the management of credit and other transaction cards by the Department of Defence.

On 25 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on non-conforming building products.
On 20 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees
   Reports to be presented on the 2017-18 Budget estimates.

On 30 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

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

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

On 19 July 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 7 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

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 30 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on corporate tax avoidance.
On 18 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

On 1 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

3. Red Tape—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 15 September 2016; reporting date: 30 November 2016)

Civil Nuclear Transfers to India Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 24 November 2016)

Fairer Paid Parental Leave Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 15 February 2017)

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

Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 13 October 2016; reporting date: the last sitting day in March 2017)

Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 30 November 2016)
Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 6 December 2016)

Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 28 November 2016)

Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 22 November 2016)

Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 7 February 2017)

Seafarers and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions]
Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Bill 2016 [provisions]
Seafarers Safety and Compensation Levies Collection Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 7 February 2017)

Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 21 November 2016)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 13 October 2016; reporting date: 21 November 2016)

Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 14 February 2017)

Treasury Laws Amendment (Fair and Sustainable Superannuation) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Superannuation (Excess Transfer Balance Tax) Imposition Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 10 November 2016; reporting date: 23 November 2016)

† Reference adopted by the Senate following a recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee
BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bill

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

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered


Question nos, as shown above, from 24 to 178 remain unanswered for 30 or more days (see standing order 74(5)).

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

ORDERS OF THE SENATE

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

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

Community Affairs
Health
Social Services, including Human Services

Economics
Industry, Innovation and Science
Treasury

Education and Employment
Education and Training
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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)

Chamber photographs
That the order of the Senate of 21 March 2002 restricting photography in the Senate chamber ceases to have effect on and from 7 November 2016.

(Agreed to 13 October 2016; varied 7 November 2016)

Committees—Determination of chair—Standing order 25(9)
That, pursuant to standing order 25(9), the Senate determines:

(a) that the chair of the Environment and Communications References Committee shall be elected by that committee from members nominated by minor parties or independent senators; and

(b) that this order remain in effect until the President is duly notified of an agreement that meets the terms of standing order 25(9)(c).

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

Estimates hearings
(1) That the 2016-17 supplementary Budget estimates hearings be scheduled as follows:
   Monday, 17 October and Tuesday, 18 October 2016 (supplementary hearings—Group A)
   Wednesday, 19 October and Thursday, 20 October 2016 (supplementary hearings—Group B).

(2) That, pursuant to the order of the Senate of 26 August 2008 and 23 June 2015, cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters be scheduled for Friday, 21 October 2016.

(3) That the committees consider the proposed expenditure in accordance with the allocation of departments and agencies to committees agreed to by the Senate.
(4) That committees meet in the following groups:

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

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

*(Agreed to 30 August 2016)*

**Estimates 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, 30 October and Tuesday, 31 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)
- Wednesday, 1 November and Thursday, 2 November (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, 20 October 2017, but not restricted to these days.

(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)

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)

Legislation—Exemption of bills from the cut-off order

That the provisions of paragraph (6) of standing order 111 not apply to the
following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:
   Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016
   Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016
   Corporations Amendment (Auditor Registration) Bill 2016
   Customs Tariff Amendment (Tobacco) Bill 2016
   Excise Tariff Amendment (Tobacco) Bill 2016
   Statute Law Revision (Spring 2016) Bill 2016
   Statute Update Bill 2016
(Agreed to 13 September 2016)

Meeting of Senate—2016

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

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

Spring sittings (2):
   Monday, 10 October to Thursday, 13 October
Spring sittings (3):
  Monday, 7 November to Thursday, 10 November
  Monday, 21 November to Thursday, 24 November
  Monday, 28 November to Thursday, 1 December.

(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

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
  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—Senator Culleton
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(ii) of the Constitution, or for any other reason, there is a vacancy in the representation of Western Australia in the Senate for the place for which Senator Rodney Norman Culleton 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 7 November 2016)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Mr Day
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(v) of the Constitution, or for any other reason, there is a vacancy in the representation of South Australia in the Senate for the place for which Robert John Day was returned;

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

(c) whether, by reason of s 44(v) of the Constitution, or for any other reason, Mr Day was at any time incapable of sitting as a Senator prior to the dissolution of the 44th Parliament and, if so, on what date he became so incapable;

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

(e) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 7 November 2016)

Rotation of senators
That, pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, the senators chosen for each state be divided into two classes, as follows:

(1) Senators listed at positions 7 to 12 on the certificate of election of senators for each state shall be allocated to the first class and receive 3 year terms.

(2) Senators listed at positions 1 to 6 on the certificate of election of senators for each state shall be allocated to the second class and receive 6 year terms.
(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

Standing orders—Amendments to standing order 169 and standing order 175

Standing order 169—Motions after tabling
At the end of standing order 169, add:

(3) If a ministerial statement is presented to or tabled in the Senate other than in accordance with standing order 61, it shall be in order for a senator to move a motion without notice to take note of the statement. On any such motion, a senator may speak for not more than 10 minutes and paragraph (2) applies to the total time limit for individual or successive motions.

(Agreed to 8 November 2016 (upon adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2016)
Standing order 175—Conduct of visitors

Paragraph (3) be amended in the following terms with immediate effect:

(3) Paragraph (2) does not apply in respect of a senator breastfeeding an infant or, at the discretion of the President, a senator caring for an infant briefly, provided the business of the Senate is not disrupted.

(Agreed to 8 November 2016 (upon adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2016)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

1 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Brandis): To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a minister moving a motion to provide for the consideration of any matter.

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

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

Formal business

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

4 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie

   To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to move an amendment to a motion discovered during formal business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator moving the amendment to the motion.
Limitation of time

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

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

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

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

Senator Lambie

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

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

Matters of urgency

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

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

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

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

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

Senator Lambie

13 To move (contingent on the President proceeding to the placing of business on any day)—That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the order of business on the Notice Paper.

Questions without notice

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

To move (contingent on a minister at question time on any day asking that further questions be placed on notice)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion that, at question time on any day, questions may be put to ministers until 30 questions, including supplementary questions, have been asked and answered.

Statements

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

To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to make a statement to the Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator making that statement.
Tabling of documents

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

   To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to table a document in the Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving that the document be tabled.

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Clerk of the Senate

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