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## Notices of motion
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## Orders of the day
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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1. Treasury Laws Amendment (Banking Measures No. 1) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator O’Neill, in continuation, 14 February 2018).

2. Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017
   Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Bill 2017—(Minister for Education and Training, Senator Birmingham)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (5 February 2018).

3. Migration Amendment (Skilling Australians Fund) Bill 2018
   Migration (Skilling Australians Fund) Charges Bill 2017—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 February 2018).

4. Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Accountability and Member Outcomes in Superannuation Measures No. 2) Bill 2017

5. Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Operational Efficiency) Bill 2017—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 February 2018).

   Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 February 2018).

7. Export Control Bill 2017
   Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann)—That this bill be now read a second time.
   And on the amendment moved by Senator Brown—At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate notes that Australian exporters and agriculture industries are facing a number of challenges relating to trade” (5 February 2018).

8. Investigation and Prosecution Measures Bill 2017—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 February 2018).

   Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 February 2018).

10. Imported Food Control Amendment Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
    Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 February 2018).
11 Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator McKim, in continuation, 16 October 2017).

12 Communications Legislation Amendment (Online Content Services and Other Measures) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

13 Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 October 2017).

14 Family Assistance and Child Support Legislation Amendment (Protecting Children) Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 February 2018).

15 Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 February 2018).

16 Civil Law and Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate bill)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (5 February 2018).

17 Communications Legislation Amendment (Regional and Small Publishers Innovation Fund) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

18 Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann)

19 Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Funding and Disclosure Reform) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Acting Special Minister of State, Senator Cormann)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 December 2017).

20 Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan No. 2) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 February 2018).

21 Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan Base Rate Entities) Bill 2018—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 February 2018).

22 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).
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32 Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
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  Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann)

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

34 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).

35 Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2017
  Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 268 from the House of Representatives (13 November 2017).

36 Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
  Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 September 2017).

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

38 Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)
  Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 October 2016).
39 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).
40 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016
Second reading—Adjourned debate (1 December 2016).
41 Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016—
(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
42 Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 November 2016).
43 Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016—
(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 November 2016).
44 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).
45 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).

46 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).

Notice of Motion

Notice given 14 February 2018

*1 Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham): To move—That the order of the Senate agreed to on 31 August 2016, as amended on 12 February 2018, relating to the allocation of departments and agencies to legislative and general purpose standing committees, be amended as follows:

Omit “Health and Aged Care”, substitute “Health”.

Omit “Infrastructure and Transport”, substitute “Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities”.

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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 14 February 2018

*723 Senator Cameron: To move—That the Senate requests that Ms Glenys Beauchamp, PSM and Dr Chris Pigrim appear before the Economics Legislation Committee to answer questions at the additional estimates hearing on 28 February 2018 or 1 March 2018 when the committee is examining the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science.

*724 Senator Urquhart: To move—That the Senate—
(a) acknowledges that the $210 million funding cut to South Australian schools and $68 million in Tasmanian schools, in 2018 and 2019, means that schools will face significant cuts; and
(b) calls on the Australian Government to immediately reinstate the funding previously committed to South Australian and Tasmanian schools.

*725 Senator McKim: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
(i) on 13 February 2018, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) released an update on UNHCR observations from their latest mission to Manus Island,
(ii) UNHCR Regional Protection Officer, Mr Rico Salcedo, stated “What stood out the most from this mission at the time we were there, was a pervasive and worsening sense of despair among refugees and asylum seekers”,
(iii) the UNHCR further stated “We cannot emphasize enough that solutions must be found for all, outside of Papua New Guinea, as a matter of urgency. Australia remains ultimately responsible, as the state from which these refugees and asylum seekers have sought international protection, for their welfare and long-term settlement outside of Papua New Guinea”, and
(iv) there have been recent reports of deteriorating conditions on Nauru, and that refugees and people seeking asylum on Nauru are also the responsibility of Australia; and
(b) calls on the Government to end offshore detention, and evacuate to Australia every person who sought asylum in Australia and who is currently in Papua New Guinea and Nauru.

*726 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes the Budget Priorities Statement 2018-19 of the Australian Council of Social Service launched this week in Canberra;
(b) recognises that research, from 2017, shows that single rates of unemployment payments are completely inadequate to cover basic living costs;

c) acknowledges that our social safety net currently fails to protect those seeking work from falling into poverty;

d) notes that the Australian Council of Social Service calls for an increase of $75 a week to allowance payments for single people from 1 January 2019; and

e) urges the Federal Government to increase the single rate of Newstart and related allowances by $75 a week.

Notice of motion altered on 14 February 2018 pursuant to standing order 77.

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

(a) recognises that research, from 2017, shows that single rates of unemployment payments are completely inadequate to cover basic living costs;

(c) acknowledges that our social safety net currently fails to protect those seeking work from falling into poverty;

d) notes that the Australian Council of Social Service calls for an increase of $75 a week to allowance payments for single people from 1 January 2019; and

e) urges the Federal Government to increase the single rate of Newstart and related allowances by $75 a week.

Notice of motion altered on 14 February 2018 pursuant to standing order 77.

*728 Senator Kitching: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, by 5 pm on 15 February 2018, details of any Special Purpose Flights taken by members of the executive in 2017, noting that no reports on the use of Special Purpose Flights since 3 July 2016 have been tabled.

Notice of motion altered on 14 February 2018 pursuant to standing order 77.

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

(a) welcomes the visit by a delegation of leaders from the Kiribati Climate Action Network and the Kiribati Ministry of Education;

(b) notes the strong bonds that exist between the people of Australia and the people of Kiribati;

(c) notes, with deep concern, the impacts that climate change is already having on Kiribati, including soil erosion and salinity, which is affecting crops and drinking water;

(d) is further concerned at reports from the 23th United Nations Climate Change Conference in 2017, that the Australian delegation pushed back against poorer countries, including Kiribati, who were calling for more funding for loss and damage caused by climate change; and

(e) calls on the Government to:
(i) increase its support to Pacific Island nations, including Kiribati, through climate finance that is separate and additional to our existing official development assistance budget,
(ii) significantly increase our commitments to cut emissions under the Paris Agreement in 2018, and take into account loss and damage caused by climate change, and
(iii) commit to no new coal mines in Australia, and rule out Adani’s Carmichael coal mine.


DOCUMENTS

Orders of the Day relating to Documents

1 Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC)—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Siewert—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

2 Australian Human Rights Commission—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

3 Climate Change Authority—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Rice—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

4 Department of Immigration and Border Protection—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

5 Australian Human Rights Commission—Report no. 118—Nine Vietnamese men in immigration detention v Commonwealth of Australia (Department of Immigration and Border Protection)
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bartlett—that the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

6 Australian Human Rights Commission—Report no. 119—Ms OR on behalf of Mr OS, Miss OP and Master OQ v Commonwealth of Australia (Department of Immigration and Border Protection)
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bartlett—that the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

7 Aged Care Act 1997—Report for 2016-17 on the operation of the Act
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bartlett—that the Senate take note of the document (Senator Polley, in continuation, 8 February 2018).
8 Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Commonwealth Ombudsman’s reports—Report no. 18 of 2017
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bartlett—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

9 Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Government response to Ombudsman’s report no. 18 of 2017
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bartlett—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

10 Murray-Darling Basin Authority—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McAllister—That the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).

11 Environment and Communications References Committee—Australia’s video game development industry—Government response—Order agreed to on 5 December 2017—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield), responding to the order
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Steele-John—That the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).

12 Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Ketter—That the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).

13 Department of the Treasury—Tax expenditures statement 2017
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14 Director of National Parks—Report for 2016-17
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15 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Final report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bartlett—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

16 Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC)—Report for 2016-17
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator O’Neill—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

17 Contamination of defence force facilities—Resolution agreed to on 6 December 2017—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister (Senator McGrath), and attachment
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Rhiannon—That the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).
COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

Orders of the Day relating to Committee Reports and Government Responses

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Arrangements for the postal survey—Report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator McAllister)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Kitching, in continuation, 13 February 2018).

2 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities—Fourth interim report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Gallacher, in continuation, 13 February 2018).

3 Community Affairs References Committee—Effectiveness of the Aged Care Quality Assessment and accreditation framework for protecting residents from abuse and poor practices, and ensuring proper clinical and medical care standards are maintained and practised—Interim report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Siewert)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Patrick, in continuation, 13 February 2018).

4 Economics References Committee—Interim report—Non-conforming building products: Aluminium composite cladding—Government response
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Ketter—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Ketter, in continuation, 13 February 2018).

5 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—Getting our money’s worth: the operation, regulation and funding of private vocational education and training (VET) providers in Australia—Government response
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Cameron—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Cameron, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

6 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—Technical and further education system in Australia—Government response
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Cameron—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Cameron, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

7 Community Affairs References Committee—Value and affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs—Interim reports [2] and final report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the reports (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

8 Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Appropriateness and effectiveness of the objectives, design, implementation and evaluation of the Community Development Program (CDP)—Report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 8 February 2018).
9 Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Delivery of National Outcome 4 of the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and Their Children—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

10 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—Penalty rates—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Cameron—That the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).

11 Environment and Communications References Committee—Report—Game on: more than playing around – The future of Australia’s video game development industry—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Steele-John—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

12 National Broadband Network—Joint Standing Committee—1st report of the 45th Parliament—The rollout of the National Broadband Network—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Steele-John—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

13 Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—Inquiry into decisions made by the Court of Disputed Returns—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Reynolds, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

14 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Provision of services under the NDIS Early Childhood Early Intervention approach—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the deputy chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher)—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

15 Economics References Committee—Australia’s steel industry: forging ahead—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McAllister—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

16 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator O’Sullivan—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

17 Community Affairs References Committee—Report—Care and management of younger and older Australians living with dementia and behavioural and psychiatric symptoms of dementia (BPSD)—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Polley—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Polley, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the reports (Senator Bartlett, in continuation, 8 February 2018).
19 Environment and Communications References Committee—In hot water: the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Whish-Wilson)—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

20 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Hidden in plain sight: An inquiry into establishing a modern Slavery Act in Australia—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Williams—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

21 Procedure—Standing Committee—1st report of 2017—Hours of meeting and routine of business; Tracking public interest immunity claims; Absence of a senator during a vote due to misadventure; Mode of dress for senators and possible ‘time out’ rule; Parliamentary Code for respecting cultural diversity and proposal to amend standing order 193
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McAllister—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

22 Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates—Select Committee—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

23 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Law of contempt—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Pratt)—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

24 Community Affairs References Committee—Delivery of outcomes under the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020 to build inclusive and accessible communities—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Siewert)—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

25 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Legal foundations of religious freedom in Australia—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Fawcett)—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

26 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Biosecurity risks associated with the importation of seafood and seafood products (including uncooked prawns and uncooked prawn meat) into Australia—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the deputy chair of the committee (Senator O'Sullivan)—That the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Brown—That the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).
28 Red Tape—Select Committee—Effect of red tape on environmental assessment and approvals—Third interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—that the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

29 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee—Whistleblower protections—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—that the Senate take note of the report (8 February 2018).

30 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Provision of services under the NDIS for people with psychosocial disabilities related to a mental health condition—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the deputy chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher)—that the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

31 Red Tape—Select Committee—Effect of red tape on tobacco retail—Second interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Leyonhjelm)—that the Senate take note of the report (Senator Smith, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

32 Red Tape—Select Committee—Effect of red tape on the sale, supply and taxation of alcohol—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Leyonhjelm)—that the Senate take note of the report (Senator Smith, in continuation, 8 February 2018).

33 Murray-Darling Basin Plan—Select Committee—Report—Refreshing the Plan—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—that the Senate take note of the document (8 February 2018).

AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS

Order of the Day relating to Auditor-General’s reports
*1 Auditor-General—Audit report no. 27 of 2017-18—Performance audit—Management of the Australian Government’s Register of Lobbyists: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
Consideration (14 February 2018).
ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

685 Murray-Darling Basin Authority—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by no later than 3.30 pm on 15 February 2018, all assessments of the 36 adjustment mechanism projects completed by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority. (Motion of Senator Patrick agreed to 7 February 2018.)

*716 National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing—Order for production of documents
By the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, by 5 pm on 15 February 2018, correspondence between the Minister and his Department and state and territory Ministers, and all correspondence between officials on the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing, since the beginning of December 2017. (Motion of Senator Dodson agreed to 14 February 2018.)

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On 16 February 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 October 2017).

On 28 February 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on vocational education and training in South Australia.
On 7 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 13 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1. Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2017 and the Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 16 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1. Economics Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1. Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017—(Senator Cormann)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 December 2017).

   On the next day of sitting (19 March 2018)

Business of the Senate—Orders 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.)

2. Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3. Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Bankruptcy Amendment (Debt Agreement Reform) Bill 2017. (Contingent upon introduction, referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4. Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Copyright Amendment (Service Providers) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
Government Business—Orders of the Day

1 Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—
   (Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).

2 Copyright Amendment (Service Providers) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—
   (Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

Order for Production of Documents

698 West Lorengau, Manus Island—Compliance—Order for production of
documents
   By the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs and the Minister for
   Immigration and Border Protection, by 9 am on 19 March 2018, any
   correspondence requested on 7 December 2017, which meets the proper test.
   (Motion of Senators Griff and McKim agreed to 8 February 2018.)

On 20 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on transvaginal mesh implants.

Order for Production of Documents

*716 National Partnership Agreement on Remote Housing—Attendance by
   minister and explanation—Order for production of documents
   Requires the Minister for Indigenous Affairs to attend the Senate at 12 pm on
   20 March 2018 so that, prior to government business being called on, any senator
   may ask for an explanation for the failure to engage in detailed consultations with
   the states and territories on remote housing. (Motion of Senator Dodson agreed to
   14 February 2018.)

On 21 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 22 March 2018

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 26 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Executive Remuneration) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Orders of the Day

1 Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

2 National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

On the second last sitting day of the autumn sittings of 2018 (27 March 2018)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

Seven sitting days after today (28 March 2018)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 7 December 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Broadcasting Services (Technical Planning) Guidelines (Consequential Amendments) Instrument 2017 (No. 2), made under the Radiocommunications Act 1992, be disallowed [F2017L01302].

Eight 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 Radiocommunications (Spectrum Licence Allocation - Multi-band Auction) Determination 2017, made under the Radiocommunications Act 1992, be disallowed [F2017L01255].

Eight 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 Retirement Savings Accounts Tax File Number approval No. 1 of 2017, made under the Retirement Savings Accounts Act 1997, be disallowed [F2017L01270].

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

4 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Torres Strait Regional Authority Election Rules 2017, made under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005, be disallowed [F2017L01279].

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

5 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Migration Agents (IMMI 17/047: CPD Activities, Approval of CPD Providers and CPD Provider Standards) Instrument 2017, made under the Migration Act 1958, be disallowed [F2017L01236].

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

On 28 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders 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.

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

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

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

On the last sitting day in March 2018 (28 March 2018)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on cyberbullying.
2 Political Influence of Donations—Select Committee
Report to be presented.

On 29 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order 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.

By 31 March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
1 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
Report to be presented on the life insurance industry.

On 20 April 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day
1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Orders of the Day
1 Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

2 Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

On 24 April 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day
1 Economics References Committee
Report to be presented on the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility.
On 27 April 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 30 April 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 8 May 2018

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 8 February 2018

1 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—that the Basin Plan Amendment (SDL Adjustments) Instrument 2017, made under the Water Act 2007, be disallowed [F2018L00040].

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

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model
Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee
report.)

2 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Clean Energy Finance Corporation
Amendment (Carbon Capture and Storage) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to
Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 9 May 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming
services.
Ten sitting days after today (10 May 2018)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 7 February 2018

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Marriage Regulations 2017, made under the Marriage Act 1961, be disallowed [F2017L01359].

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

On 14 May 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee

Report to be presented on the digital delivery of government services.

On 30 May 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

Report to be presented on corporate tax avoidance.

On 13 June 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee

Report to be presented on the waste and recycling industry in Australia.

Eleven sitting days after today (18 June 2018)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 8 February 2018

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) (Individual Transmitter Amounts) Determination 2017, made under the Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) Act 2017, be disallowed [F2017L01375].

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

On 20 June 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee

Report to be presented on PFAS contamination.
On the first sitting Thursday in June 2018 (21 June 2018)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Future of Work and Workers—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 26 June 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 27 June 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impact of climate change on housing, buildings and infrastructure.

3 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the regulatory framework governing water use.

On 14 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on a national radioactive waste management facility at Kimba and Hawker, South Australia.

2 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on the work health and safety of workers in the offshore petroleum industry.

On 20 September 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the regulation of mobility scooters.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities.
On 28 November 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 final sitting day of November 2018 (29 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.

On 29 November 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

On 3 December 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Red Tape—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On the last sitting day in June 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on regional inequality in Australia.

As soon as practicable after the High Court makes a declaration following a special count from the 2016 Senate election

Order for Production of Documents

*1 Rotation of senators—Section 13 of the Constitution—Order for production of documents
   That—
   (a) as soon as practicable, after the High Court orders a special count of the ballots from the 2016 Senate election for any state and makes an order declaring that a person identified by that count is duly elected as a senator for that state, there be laid on the table a copy of the statement of results report for that count; and
(b) if such a report is tabled, in relation to any state, then the order of the Senate of 31 August 2016, made pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, have effect in relation to senators from that state as if a reference to the certificate of election were a reference to the most recent statement of results report. (Motion of the Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham) agreed to 13 February 2018.)

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 Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Fair and Balanced) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 16 November 2017; reporting date: 16 February 2018)

Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Measures) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 16 November 2017; reporting date: 16 February 2018)

Bankruptcy Amendment (Debt Agreement Reform) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Contingent upon introduction in the House of Representatives, referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 19 March 2018)

Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 30 November 2017; reporting date: 19 March 2018)

Clean Energy Finance Corporation Amendment (Carbon Capture and Storage) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 8 February 2018; reporting date: 8 May 2018)

Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Bill 2017 [provisions]
Commonwealth Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 30 November 2017; reporting date: 13 March 2018)

Copyright Amendment (Service Providers) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 19 March 2018)
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 20 April 2018)

Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 20 April 2018)

Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 26 March 2018)

Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 8 May 2018)

National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 8 February 2018; reporting date: 26 March 2018)

Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Executive Remuneration) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 16 November 2017; reporting date: 26 March 2018)

Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 8 February 2018; reporting date: 16 March 2018)

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

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills

Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017
Discharged, 18 October 2017 (pursuant to the order of the Senate of 13 September 2017).

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

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

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

Lands Acquisition Amendment (Public Purpose) Bill 2017
Second reading negatived, 14 September 2017.

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

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

Nos 163 to 171, 315, 341, 346 to 350, 358 to 368, 446, 473, 493, 494, 498, 502, 503, 506, 524, 525, 533 to 537, 555, 557, 575, 577 to 586, 616, 620, 644, 650 to 652, 655, 656, 658, 659, 664 to 668, 670 to 696.

Question nos, as shown, from 163 to 658 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.

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ORDERS OF THE SENATE

Adjournment debates—Temporary order

[Amendment to standing order 54(5) to provide for 5-minute speeches, rather than 10-minute speeches on Wednesdays. Amendment to standing order 54(6) to remove the option for 20-minute speeches during the open ended adjournment on Tuesdays. Temporary order takes effect from 5 February to 30 June 2018.]

54 Adjournment without motion

(5) On Monday and Thursday debate on the question for the adjournment shall not exceed 40 minutes, and a senator shall not speak to that question for more than 10 minutes.

On Wednesday debate on the question for the adjournment shall not exceed 40 minutes, and a senator shall not speak to that question for more than 5 minutes.

On Tuesday at the conclusion of debate, and on other days at the expiration of 40 minutes, at the conclusion of debate, or at the time specified for adjournment, whichever is the earlier, or if there is no debate, the President shall adjourn the Senate without putting the question.
(6) On the question for the adjournment of the Senate on Tuesday, a senator shall speak to that question for not more than 5 minutes, except that if no other senator wishes to speak for up to 5 minutes, a senator who has not already spoken may speak for up to 10 minutes.

(Agreed to 7 December 2017 upon adoption of recommendations in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2017)

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

- **Community Affairs**
  - Health and Aged Care
  - Human Services
  - Social Services

- **Economics**
  - Jobs and Innovation (Industry, Innovation and Science)
  - Treasury

- **Education and Employment**
  - Education and Training
  - Jobs and Innovation (Jobs and Small Business)

- **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
  - Home Affairs

- **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport**
  - Agriculture and Water Resources
  - Infrastructure and Transport.

(Agreed to 31 August 2016; varied 12 February 2018)

Estimates hearings—2017-18 additional estimates; 2018-19 Budget estimates

(1) That estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2018 be scheduled as follows:

- **2017-18 additional estimates:**
  - Monday, 26 February and Tuesday, 27 February (Group A)
  - Wednesday, 28 February and Thursday, 1 March (Group B).
2018-19 Budget estimates:
Monday, 21 May to Thursday, 24 May, and, if required, Friday, 25 May (Group A)
Tuesday, 29 May to Friday, 1 June, and, if required, Friday, 22 June (Group B)
Monday, 22 October and Tuesday, 23 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)
Wednesday, 24 October and Thursday, 25 October (supplementary hearings—Group B).

(2) That pursuant to the order of the Senate of 26 August 2008, cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters be scheduled for Friday, 2 March, Friday, 25 May and Friday, 26 October 2018, but not restricted to these days.

(3) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 2 March, Friday, 25 May and Friday, 26 October 2018, but not restricted to these days.

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

(5) 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.

(6) That the committees report to the Senate on the following dates:
(a) Tuesday, 27 March 2018 in respect of the 2017-18 additional estimates; and
(b) Tuesday, 26 June 2018 in respect of the 2018-19 Budget estimates.
(Agreed to 15 November 2017; varied 16 November 2017 in respect of paragraph (1))

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 31 August 2016)
Meeting of Senate—2018

That the days of meeting of the Senate for 2018 be as follows:

**Autumn sittings:**
- Monday, 5 February to Thursday, 8 February
- Monday, 12 February to Thursday, 15 February

**Autumn sittings (2):**
- Monday, 19 March to Thursday, 22 March
- Monday, 26 March to Wednesday, 28 March

**Budget sittings:**
- Tuesday, 8 May to Thursday, 10 May

**Winter sittings:**
- Monday, 18 June to Thursday, 21 June
- Monday, 25 June to Thursday, 28 June

**Spring sittings:**
- Monday, 13 August to Thursday, 16 August
- Monday, 20 August to Thursday, 23 August
- Monday, 10 September to Thursday, 13 September
- Monday, 17 September to Thursday, 20 September

**Spring sittings (2):**
- Monday, 15 October to Thursday, 18 October

**Spring sittings (3):**
- Monday, 12 November to Thursday, 15 November
- Monday, 26 November to Thursday, 29 November
- Monday, 3 December to Thursday, 6 December.

*(Agreed to 15 November 2017)*

Meeting times—Temporary order

[Amendment to standing order 55 to add 30 minutes at the start of sittings on Tuesdays. Temporary order takes effect from 5 February to 30 June 2018.]

(1) The days and times of meeting of the Senate in each sitting week shall be:
- Monday 10 am – 6.30 pm, 7.30 pm – 10.30 pm
- Tuesday 12 pm – adjournment
- Wednesday 9.30 am – 8 pm
- Thursday 9.30 am – 8.40 pm

*(Agreed to 7 December 2017 upon adoption of recommendations in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2017)*

Outstanding orders for the production of documents—Report—Continuing order

(1) That there be laid on the table by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, not later than 2 calendar months after the last day of each financial year and calendar year, a list showing details of all orders for the production
of documents made during the current Parliament which have not been complied with in full, together with a statement indicating whether resistance to them is maintained and why, and detailing any changing circumstances that might allow reconsideration of earlier refusals.

(2) This order is of continuing effect.

(Agreed to 7 December 2017 upon adoption of recommendations in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2017)

Private senators’ bills—Temporary order

[Amendments to standing order 57 and 59 to move consideration of private senators’ bills general business from Thursday to Monday and provide for government business to occur at the start of the day on Thursdays. Temporary order takes effect from 5 February to 30 June 2018.]

57 Routine of business

(1) The routine of business shall be:

   (a) On Monday:

      (i) General business orders of the day for consideration of bills only

      (ia) At 12.20 pm, government business only

   …

   (d) On Thursday:

      (i) Government business only

      (ii) At 11.45 am, petitions

   …

59 Government and general business

Government business shall take precedence over general business, except that general business shall take precedence over government business as follows:

   (a) On Mondays, from 10 am until 12.20 pm general business orders of the day for the consideration of bills shall be considered; and

   (b) from not later than 4.30 pm, for a period not exceeding 2½ hours, general business orders of the day shall take precedence over general business notices of motion on alternate Thursdays.

(Agreed to 7 December 2017 upon adoption of recommendations in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2017)

Publications Committee—Report—Printing standards for documents presented to Parliament—Adoption of recommendation

5.6 That the Senate and House of Representatives pass the following resolution:

That unless otherwise ordered, and provided that they conform to the printing standards, the following documents shall be made Parliamentary Papers upon their presentation to the Senate/House of Representatives:

- substantive reports of parliamentary committees;
- annual reports of Commonwealth entities;
- a report of a royal commission;
- a report of the Productivity Commission;
- a report of the Auditor-General;
a report of the Australian Human Rights Commission;
- a report of the Australia Law Reform Commission;
- a report of the Australian Electoral Commission on the redistribution of electoral division boundaries;
- Australian Government white papers;
- a report in a series that has previously been included in the Parliamentary Papers Series on the recommendation of a Publications Committee; and
- budget papers and ministerial statements presented following the presentation of the appropriation bills.

(Agreed to 8 February 2018)

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)

That—

(a) as soon as practicable, after the High Court orders a special count of the ballots from the 2016 Senate election for any state and makes an order declaring that a person identified by that count is duly elected as a senator for that state, there be laid on the table a copy of the statement of results report for that count; and

(b) if such a report is tabled, in relation to any state, then the order of the Senate of 31 August 2016, made pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, have effect in relation to senators from that state as if a reference to the certificate of election were a reference to the most recent statement of results report.

(Agreed to 13 February 2018)

Scrutiny of Bills Committee—Standing order 24—Amendment
That:

(a) the Senate adopt the recommendation at paragraph 4.10 of Scrutiny Digest 13 of 2017 of the Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills, proposing an amendment to standing order 24; and

(b) the temporary order of the Senate of 29 November 2016, concerning an amendment to standing order 24, cease to have effect.


Accordingly, standing order 24 was amended, with immediate effect, as follows:

At the end of paragraph (1), add:

(d) The committee shall maintain on its website a list of bills in relation to which the committee has sought advice from the responsible minister and not yet received a response.

(e) Where the committee has not finally reported on a bill because a ministerial response has not been received, then:
   (i) immediately prior to the consideration of government business on any day; or
   (ii) immediately prior to the consideration of the bill,
       any senator may ask the minister for an explanation of why the minister has not provided a response to the committee.

(f) Where an explanation is sought under paragraph (e) and a minister provides an explanation, then at the conclusion of the explanation the senator may move, without notice, a motion:
   (i) relating to the consideration of the bill; or
   (ii) that the Senate take note of the explanation.

(g) Where an explanation is sought under paragraph (e) and the minister does not provide an explanation, then the senator may, without notice, move a motion relating to:
   (i) the consideration of the bill; or
   (ii) the minister's failure to provide an explanation.

(h) The procedures in paragraphs (e) to (g) may only be used once on any sitting day in respect of any bill or bills taken together.

(Agreed to 29 November 2017)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

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

2 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
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   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator O’Sullivan
   Senator Patrick
To move (contingent on the Senate on any day concluding its consideration of any item of business and prior to the Senate proceeding to the consideration of another item of business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the conduct of the business of the Senate or to provide for the consideration of any matter.

Formal business

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

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

Matters of urgency

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

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

Questions without notice

11 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
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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

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

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).

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