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BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notice of Motion

Notice given 13 February 2019

1 Senator Cameron: To move—That the Fair Work Amendment (Casual Loading Offset) Regulations 2018, made under the Fair Work Act 2009, be disallowed [F2018L01770].

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

Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the temporary skilled visa system.

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on political interference in the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

3 Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018.

4 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on ParentsNext.

*5 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Income Management and Cashless Welfare) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*6 Economics Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Petroleum Resource Rent Tax Reforms No. 1) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

7 Legislation Committees
   Reports to be presented on the 2018-19 additional estimates.

8 Economics Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Lower Tax Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

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

Orders of the Day

*1 Income Tax (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Amendment Bill 2018
   Income Tax Rates Amendment (Sovereign Entities) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).

2 Treasury Laws Amendment (Mutual Reforms) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—
   (Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 February 2019).

3 Corporations Amendment (Strengthening Protections for Employee Entitlements) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 November 2018).

*4 Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment (Enhancing Australia’s Anti-Doping Capability) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2019).

5 Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 2) Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (26 June 2018).

*6 Advances provided under the annual Appropriation Acts—Report for 2017-18
   Consideration (14 February 2019).

7 Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Amendment (Strengthening Governance and Transparency) Bill 2018—(Senate bill)—
   (Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (5 December 2018).

*8 Superannuation Laws Amendment (Strengthening Trustee Arrangements) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 December 2017).

9 Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)
   In committee (14 February 2019).

10 Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Operational Efficiency) Bill 2017—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator McCarthy, in continuation, 13 February 2019).
11 Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2018
   Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator McKim, in continuation, 3 December 2018).

12 National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)

13 Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Accountability and Member Outcomes in Superannuation Measures No. 2) Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann)

14 Migration (Validation of Port Appointment) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister for Treasury and Finance, Senator Seselja)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (16 August 2018).

15 Migration Amendment (Prohibiting Items in Immigration Detention Facilities) Bill 2017
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 February 2018).

16 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Cameron, in continuation, 6 December 2018).

17 Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)

18 Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).

19 Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2018—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Brockman, in continuation, 18 October 2018).

20 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Housing Affordability) Bill 2018—(Minister for Small and Family Business, Skills and Vocational Education, Senator Cash)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (29 November 2018).

21 Communications Legislation Amendment (Deregulation and Other Measures) Bill 2018
22 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (17 October 2017).

23 Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2018
Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2018—
(Minister for Communications and the Arts, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Polley, in continuation, 23 August 2018).

24 Treasury Laws Amendment (Reducing Pressure on Housing Affordability Measures No. 2) Bill 2018
Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment (Near-new Dwelling Interests) Bill 2018

25 Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 October 2016).

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

27 National Broadcasters Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Transparency) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

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

29 Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).

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

31 Export Control Bill 2017
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service
(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).

32 Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Amendment Bill 2017—
(Assistant Minister for Treasury and Finance, Senator Seselja)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (16 August 2018).

33 Crimes Legislation Amendment (Combatting Corporate Crime) Bill 2017—
(Senate bill)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).
34 Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2017—
(Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann)

35 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the 
National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016—(Assistant Minister for 
International Development and the Pacific, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 November 2016).

36 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Better Targeting Student Payments) 
Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann)

37 Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017—
(Senate bill)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

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

39 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).

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

41 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016—(Minister 
for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (1 December 2016).

42 Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 November 2016).

43 Agriculture and Water Resources Legislation Amendment Bill 2016— 
(Minister for Foreign Affairs, Senator Payne)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2017).

44 Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2016
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 November 2016).

Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 79 from the House of 
Representatives (28 November 2016).

46 Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) 
Bill 2017
Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme 
Funding) Bill 2017
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Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Treasury Laws Amendment (Untainting Tax) (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017

Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance and the Public Service, Senator Cormann)


Indigenous Australians—Closing the Gap—Ministerial statement and documents

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Indigenous Affairs (Senator Scullion)—That the Senate take note of the documents (Senator Paterson, in continuation, 14 February 2019).

National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016


Budget statement and documents 2018-19

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—That the Senate take note of the statement and documents (10 May 2018).

Budget statement and documents 2017-18

Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Finance and the Public Service (Senator Cormann)—That the Senate take note of the statement and documents (11 May 2017).
GENERAL BUSINESS

A complete list of all general business notices of motion and orders of the day remaining on the Notice Paper is published at: www.aph.gov.au/Senate/business

Notices of Motion

Notice given 12 February 2019

1361 Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson): To move—That the Senate demands that the Federal Government ban all forms of unstunned animal slaughter, such as unstunned halal slaughter, in line with the recommendations of the RSPCA.

1391 Senator Faruqi: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) Asset Energy is planning to conduct further seismic testing for gas off the coast of Newcastle and the Central Coast in New South Wales,
   (ii) seismic air gun blasting for offshore drilling creates underwater noise at extraordinarily high volumes, and it poses major risks to marine life of all sizes, including whales and dolphins,
   (iii) tourism and local fishing industries rely on healthy oceans and have the potential to be severely impacted by seismic testing and offshore fossil fuel rigs, and
   (iv) the community is deeply opposed to this proposal and hundreds of people have rallied against it along the coast of New South Wales; and

(b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, by no later than 9.50 pm on 15 April 2019:
   (i) all correspondence, advice and briefing notes prepared by or for the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority, the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia or the Minister for the Environment, regarding the Petroleum Exploration Permit 11 (also known as ‘PEP 11’) ‘Baleen 20 HR Seismic Survey’ approval, and
   (ii) all correspondence, advice and briefing notes prepared by or for the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority, the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia or the Minister for the Environment, regarding the PEP 11 extension of term granted by the National Offshore Petroleum Titles Administrator (NOPTA) in January 2018, including but not limited to, correspondence with the New South Wales Government between November 2015 and June 2017.

Notice of motion altered on 29 March 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.

Notice given 13 February 2019

Senator Waters: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) this week, Adani has confirmed it released contaminated water into the Caley Valley Wetlands from its Abbot Point Operations last week at twice the rate it is licensed for,

(ii) this is the second time Adani has breached licence requirements at the site and exceeded pollution limits into the wetlands area,

(iii) the Queensland Government is prosecuting Adani for the first known contaminated water release, which occurred in 2017,

(iv) Adani Mining, as part of the Adani Group, has been investigated by the Department of the Environment and Energy for potential breach of its approval conditions for the Carmichael Mine, under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), for unlawfully clearing vegetation and sinking groundwater dewatering bores,

(v) Adani Infrastructure, as part of the Adani Group, has applied for EPBC Act approval for a pipeline to bring water to the mine site for washing of the coal,

(vi) Adani donated $35,000 to the Liberal Party and $15,000 to One Nation in the 2017-18 financial year, and

(vii) opening up the Galilee Basin for the Adani Carmichael coal mine would release low quality thermal coal carbon emissions into the atmosphere, with catastrophic impacts on our climate, manifesting in heatwaves, storms, fires and floods of even greater magnitude than what we have seen this summer; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) return the $35,000 donation made by Adani to the Liberal Party,

(ii) review Adani’s environmental approval under section 145 of the EPBC Act, based on new information, including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change’s 2018 Special Report: *Global Warming of 1.5 °C*, and the evidence of Adani’s breaches of environmental law, both in Australia and overseas,

(iii) refuse to approve Adani’s draft groundwater management plan,

(iv) refuse approval under the EPBC Act for the pipeline the mine requires, the North Galilee Water scheme, and

(v) revoke all federal approvals for the Adani Carmichael mine, and not approve any new coal in Australia.

Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) on 9 January 2019, the Federal Government announced a plan to create a public register of child sex offenders,

(ii) the community wants, and rightly deserves, strengthened measures aimed at better protecting children from known child sex offenders, including access to a national child sex offender register, and

(iii) such a register would rely on states and territories feeding information into the national database, meaning the Commonwealth would need them to sign on to the scheme; and
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(b) calls on:
   (i) all state and territory governments to negotiate in good faith in the development of this public register, and
   (ii) when legislated, federally and by states and territories, this policy should be known as ‘Daniel’s Law’, in memory of Daniel Morcombe.

1403 Senator O’Sullivan: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that:
       (i) in a February 2017 speech, ‘Progressive politics in the age of Trump’, NSW Secretary of the Australian Manufacturing Workers Union, Mr Tim Ayers, who is also a member of the ALP’s National Executive, supported the introduction of an inheritance tax,
       (ii) in an address to the National Press Club on 15 March 2017, the Leader of the Australian Greens, Senator Richard Di Natale, stated “And speaking of levelling the playing field, if we are going to avoid turning this intergenerational divide into a chasm, it is time we had a debate around inheritance taxes for the super wealthy. Australia is one of the countries who does not tax pre-existing wealth”,
       (iii) in an article in New Matilda on 7 March 2006, Labor’s Shadow Assistant Treasurer, Mr Andrew Leigh, wrote an article entitled, Bring Back the Inheritance Tax, in which he stated “From a pure economic rationalist perspective ... what is often not recognised is that inheritance taxes are also an efficient form of revenue raising”, and
       (iv) farming families are especially disadvantaged by an inheritance tax, with much of the wealth of their farms tied up in land – this means that when heirs do have to pay inheritance taxes, there is often a need to sell-off land (or other assets) to pay off the death tax; and
   (b) rejects any introduction of an inheritance tax, which only serves to punish the hard work, risk-taking and success of families and individuals who have built small businesses and family farms.

1404 Senator Dean Smith: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that 17 December 2018 marked the 111th National Day of Bhutan;
   (b) acknowledges the significance of this day of commemoration for the Bhutanese community who mark the occasion by reflecting on the profound sacrifices of their forefathers, and expressing gratitude to all who have worked for the wellbeing of their independent nation; and
   (c) notes that the National Day of Bhutan commemoration is an annual opportunity for the Bhutanese people to reaffirm their pledge to uphold their civic responsibilities and serve their traditions and customs.

1405 Senator Singh: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that:
       (i) 24 March 2019 is World Tuberculosis Day and marks the anniversary of German Nobel Laureate Dr Robert Koch’s 1882 discovery of the bacterium that causes Tuberculosis (TB),
TB, including drug-resistant TB, has overtaken HIV and AIDS to become the infectious disease responsible for the most deaths globally,

in 2017 alone, 1.6 million people died from TB worldwide and 10 million people became sick with the disease,

large gaps in TB detection and treatment remain, with 4.1 million cases of active TB that were not diagnosed and treated in 2016, including 600,000 children,

according to the World Health Organisation, in 2017, 62% of the world’s new TB cases occurred in the Asia-Pacific region,

in 2016, Papua New Guinea (PNG) had one of the highest rates of TB infection in the Pacific, with an estimated 35,000 total cases, including 2,000 drug resistant cases,

Australia signed onto a new set of Global Goals for Sustainable Development, including a target to end the TB epidemic by 2030,

the theme for World TB Day 2019 is ‘It’s time....to keep the promise’, and

the promises made by the global community at the United Nations High Level Meeting on TB, in September 2018, included a commitment by Australia to accelerate action towards ending TB as an epidemic through increased efforts and leadership on research and development, prevention, testing and treatment;

recognises Australia’s 3-year $220 million pledge to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (2017-19), which has supported TB testing and treatment to 17.4 million people since 2002, including over 8.2 million people in the Indo-Pacific region; and

calls on the Australian Government to renew its commitment to the Global Fund, in line with the requests to be made at the 6th replenishment conference on 10 October 2019, which aims to raise a further US$14 billion for 2020 to 2022.

Senators Faruqi and Waters: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) North Queensland is being ravaged by floods, and Townsville received more than a year’s worth of rain before the end of the first week of February 2019, and

(ii) the floods have been devastating for livestock, with more than 500,000 cattle estimated to have been killed, and another 150,000 in danger of starving to death; and

(b) calls on the Commonwealth Government to:

(i) increase assistance to people affected by the Townsville floods, and to provide emergency assistance to save the lives of cattle that are currently starving, and

(ii) more effectively plan for animal welfare in natural disaster responses.
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes with deep concern that:
   (i) Turkish MP, Leyla Guven, has been on a hunger strike for almost 100 days, and she is in a critical condition, and
   (ii) almost 300 other Kurds held in Turkish prisons are now also on indefinite hunger strikes, and they have reportedly not been given sufficient water or vitamin supplements;

(b) expresses regret that the central demand of the hunger strikers – an end to the total isolation of imprisoned Kurdish leader Abdullah Ocalan, and an end to the persecution of the Kurdish people in Turkey – has gone unheard; and

(c) urges the Australian Government to advocate for urgent dialogue between the Turkish authorities and the hunger strikers, so that tragedy can be avoided.

Senator McGrath: To move—That the Senate—

(a) congratulates the Australian Government for recognising and supporting the President of the Venezuelan National Assembly, Juan Guaidó, as the country’s interim President;

(b) notes that Venezuela, once one of the world’s wealthiest nations, is now one of the world’s poorest; and

(c) urges all parties to work towards a peaceful resolution to the dire economic and political situation in Venezuela.

Senator McGrath: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that under the previous Labor Government:
   (i) 800 boats arrived illegally, carrying 50,000 illegal maritime arrivals, and
   (ii) 1,200 human lives, including children, were tragically lost at sea;

(b) recognises the success of the Liberal-National Coalition Government’s Operation Sovereign Borders, which has stopped the arrival of illegal maritime arrivals and ended the loss of life at sea;

(c) further recognises that under the Liberal-National Coalition Government integrity has been restored to Australia’s migration programme and the refugee intake has been increased by more than 35%, making Australia one of the most generous resettlement programs in the world;

(d) notes that the current Labor Opposition has supported legislation that undermines the successful work of Operation Sovereign Borders; and

(e) notes the Liberal-National Coalition Government’s commitment to keeping Australia’s borders secure and its citizens safe.

Senator McGrath: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that the biannual Chinchilla Melon Festival, the world’s largest such festival, is held this year from 14 February to 17 February;

(b) further notes that the festival brings tourists from across the nation to Chinchilla and the surrounds, which is a boon to the local economy, as well as serving to highlight the region’s excellent agricultural produce;
(c) recognises the important role that festivals, such as the Chinchilla Melon Festival, play in sustaining remote, regional and rural communities through regional tourism; and

(d) congratulates the organisers of the Chinchilla Melon Festival on organising another tremendous event.

1412 Senator Williams: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the cotton industry is a largely family-owned and operated industry,

(ii) Cotton Australia states that, in 2017-18, there were 1,486 cotton farms in Australia, and 947, or 66%, are in New South Wales,

(iii) in 2017-18, more than 90% of cotton was exported with a value of $2.1 billion,

(iv) in 2017-18, cotton accounted for 5% of the gross value of agricultural production, or $2.8 billion, and is Australia’s sixth largest agricultural export,

(v) the cotton industry helps to support more than 150 rural communities, and

(vi) Australian cotton maintains a global reputation for very high quality; and

(b) supports Australian cotton farmers and the cotton industry as a whole.

Notice of motion altered on 27 March 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.

1413 Senator Brown: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes Coroner Michael Holmes has found the property at 91 Beardy Street in Armidale, the site later chosen for the premises of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, had been destroyed by fire on or around 16 September 2016 in an arson attack caused when an unknown person or persons poured petrol in the building and ignited it; and

(b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by no later than noon on 18 February 2019:

(i) all internal departmental documents held by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources and its agencies about the New South Wales Police investigation into arson at 91 Beardy Street, Armidale, and

(ii) any correspondence between the Department for Agriculture and Water Resources and the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, or his office, about the New South Wales Police arson investigation.

1414 Senators Colbeck, Duniam and Abetz: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the hardship suffered by all Tasmanian communities affected by bushfires over the last two months, including the Huon Valley, Derwent Valley, West Coast, Central Highlands and North West communities,

(ii) the loss of homes, property and livelihoods, as well as the damage caused to approximately 200,000 hectares of land, including
productive forests and also areas in the Wilderness World Heritage Area, and

(iii) the extraordinary resilience of our community and emergency service personnel in responding to these tragic circumstances;

(b) acknowledges:

(i) the Tasmanian Fire Service and all their personnel for the professionalism and dedication they have shown in keeping Tasmanians safe,

(ii) the volunteer fire brigades who have sacrificed so much to protect their neighbours and put themselves in harm’s way for their communities,

(iii) the Parks and Wildlife Service for their skill in protecting Tasmania’s wilderness heritage values while battling extremely remote and difficult conditions, and

(iv) the thousands of Tasmanians and Australians who have contributed their time, money, resources and assistance to caring for the victims of the bushfires, including from interstate, and also international assistance; and

(c) resolves to continue supporting the state of Tasmania as the disaster moves from response to recovery through the formal Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements to get these families and communities back on their feet as they begin the process of rebuilding.

1415 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the refresh of the Closing the Gap targets has not yet been completed, and

(ii) COAG has committed to ensuring that the design and implementation of the next phase of Closing the Gap is a true partnership;

(b) acknowledges that:

(i) self-determination is key to closing the gap, and

(ii) a Voice to Parliament would be a historic step for self-determination, justice and healing for First Nations peoples;

(c) urges the Federal, state and territory Governments to work with First Nations peoples to deliver programs that are developed and controlled by and for First Nations peoples; and

(d) calls on all Australian Governments to support the Coalition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peak bodies to progress a formal partnership with the Council of Australian Governments on Closing the Gap.
Notice given 14 February 2019

*1416 Senator Urquhart: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) that only 14 Australian-flagged trading vessels operate in this country,

(ii) that up to 80 Australian seafarers were sacked following the decision by BHP and Bluescope to remove the MV Mariloula and the MV Lowlands Brilliance from their iron ore route between Port Hedland and Port Kembla, replacing them with foreign-flagged vessels with exploited foreign crews getting paid as little as $2 an hour,

(iii) the ongoing failure of the Liberal-National Government to stand up for Australian seafarers and to support the Australian shipping industry, a situation that will be made worse by its Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Amendment Bill 2017 that could open up more domestic sea freight routes, including Bass Strait, to foreign-flagged ships and exploited foreign crews, and

(iv) that the continued failure of the Liberal-National Government to guarantee that Bass Strait shipping would not be impacted by its proposed legislative changes threatens the jobs of Tasmanian seafarers and leaves Tasmanian exporters at the mercy of decisions in overseas boardrooms; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) support Australian seafarers and the Australian shipping industry and abandon the Coastal Trading (Revitalising Australian Shipping) Amendment Bill 2017, and

(ii) investigate the establishment of an Australian ‘strategic merchant fleet’ in areas of importance to the Tasmanian and Australian economy, such as the importation and distribution of liquid fuel, namely crude oil, aviation fuel and diesel, and quarantining the domestic sea freight task on Bass Strait as part of a ‘strategic fleet’.

*1417 Senator Rice: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes with alarm that climate change is hitting Australia harder and faster than many have predicted;

(b) is gravely concerned that Australia’s greenhouse pollution is increasing under the current government;

(c) fears that young people, first peoples and vulnerable communities will be forced to bear the brunt of climate damage;

(d) congratulates United States Democrat Member of the House of Representatives, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, as well as other members of the House and Senate, on their push for a ‘Green New Deal’; and

(e) calls on the Australian Government to begin a large-scale public works program to combat climate change and provide meaningful employment to people in our country.

*1418 Senator Griff: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Aged Care Act 1997, and for related purposes. Aged Care Amendment (Resident Welfare and Provider Disclosure) Bill 2019.
Senator Griff: To move—that the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) in 2015, the Australian Bureau of Statistics reported that there were 164,000 Australians with an autism diagnosis and a prevalence rate of 2.8% for those aged between 5-14 years (around 81,000 children), though this does not reflect the large numbers of autistic adults who remain undiagnosed,

(ii) 85% of Australians have personal contact with an autistic person; despite this, only 29% of Australians believe they understand how to support autistic people, and only 4% of autistic people and their families agree that people in the community know how to support them,

(iii) 29% of all NDIS participants have a primary diagnosis of autism, representing the largest diagnostic cohort in the scheme, and

(iv) waiting times for diagnosis in the public system can be between 12 months to two years;

(b) further notes that:

(i) between 40% to 70% of autistic people experience a co-occurring mental health condition,

(ii) international studies have found that autistic people have a life expectancy between 20 and 36 years shorter than the general population,

(iii) in 2015, the unemployment rate for autistic people was 31.6%, which is three times the rate for all people with disability and almost six times the rate of people without a disability,

(iv) 35% of autistic students achieve Year 10 or below, compared with 17% of all students – only 6.5% have a Bachelor’s degree or above, half the rate of all people with a disability, and

(v) autistic people and their families experience significant social isolation with 51.6% agreeing that they feel socially isolated and 39.3% agreeing that they sometimes feel unable to leave the house due to concerns about discriminatory or negative behaviours in the community;

(c) acknowledges that:

(i) across Europe, a number of countries have developed national autism plans,

(ii) analysis has found that European countries which have a national autism plan or strategy appear to bring about a positive impact and change for autistic people, and

(iii) the Victorian Government inquiry into services for people with autism spectrum disorder recommended the development of a National Autism Strategy, highlighting the benefits, including:

(A) increasing understanding of autism in the community, and

(B) creating a common set of aims for policy makers, service providers, departments and agencies, noting that many of the issues faced by autistic people cut across Commonwealth and state responsibilities;
(d) affirms that a National Autism Strategy would complement the current National Disability Agreement and National Disability Strategy by providing a much-needed cohort-specific response for autism; and

(e) encourages the Government to develop a National Autism Strategy, in partnership with autistic people and their families and carers, to determine a set of actions with measurable outcomes to improve the life outcomes of autistic people.

*1420 Senators Di Natale and Faruqi: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) between September and October 2018, more than 20 cases of advanced silicosis had been found in Queensland,

(ii) by 26 November 2018, 53 young men, including 11 with progressive massive fibrosis, had been diagnosed with severe progressive silicosis following dust exposure from cutting artificial stone benchtops,

(iii) it is highly likely that many more will soon be detected,

(iv) at present, there is no known treatment that can arrest the progress of this disease,

(v) previous attempts have been made to raise this issue with the Government, but they have not taken action on it,

(vi) the majority of recommendations contained in the report of the Community Affairs References Committee into workplace exposure to toxic dust, received on 31 May 2006, have not been actioned, and

(vii) the only effective action against silicosis is preventing exposure to silica dust; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) fund an initiative to educate workers in at-risk occupations on the dust control measures used in their industry, including:

(A) independent monitoring of dust levels,

(B) training in the selection, maintenance and use of respirators, and

(C) use of measures to control airborne dust, including enforcing an immediate prohibition on dry-cutting techniques,

(ii) conduct comprehensive enforcement of hazardous substances regulations related to silica dust exposure, and

(iii) recognise the need for:

(A) qualified and competent occupational hygienists to be involved in the recognition, evaluation and control of silica exposures, and

(B) establishing a multi-disciplinary Institute of Occupational Health.

*1421 Senator McGrath: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that 15 February 2019 was the 77th anniversary of the Fall of Singapore, an event that was considered one of the greatest military defeats in the history of the British Empire;
(b) recognises the heroic role that thousands of Australian troops played in fighting to prevent the Fall of Singapore, alongside their British and Indian compatriots;

(c) further recognises that over 100,000 allied troops were taken as prisoners of war following the Fall of Singapore, including 15,000 Australians;

(d) notes the annual presence of the 2/10th Field Regiment Association of the 8th Division, AIF, at the Singapore Day Memorial Service, held this year on 17 February at Brisbane’s Shrine of Remembrance;

(e) thanks the volunteers who dedicate their time to organise this event; and

(f) recognises and commemorates all men and women who have sacrificed, and continue to sacrifice, in service of this nation.

*1422 Senator Waters: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) today on Budget day, the women of Australia will be looking to their government to address economic inequality and women’s financial security,

(ii) the gender pay gap is currently 14.6%, meaning women would have to work an extra 62 days per year to earn the same money as their male counterparts,

(iii) the fastest-growing cohort of homeless people in Australia is older women,

(iv) one in two women fleeing domestic violence are turned away from refuges due to lack of beds,

(v) there is unmet need for legal advice and support for women due to underfunding of community legal centres,

(vi) one in three women retire with no superannuation, and those who do retire with superannuation do so with just over half the amount that men do,

(vii) women do most of the unpaid care work in society, estimated at more than 60%.

(viii) well over 50% of migrants to Australia are women, and they bear the cost of delays in family reunification processing, and

(ix) budget cuts made in 2014 to frontline domestic violence services have been compounded by continued underfunding; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government in tonight’s Budget to:

(i) restore the Women’s Budget Impact Statement, axed in 2014,

(ii) fully fund family and domestic violence services, by funding frontline crisis services and primary prevention with at least $2.3 billion over the forward estimates,

(iii) commit $16 million to make abortion safe, accessible, legal and free,

(iv) address the housing and homelessness crisis for older women, by providing certainty of funding for transitional housing and crisis services,

(v) extend paid parental leave arrangements to six months with superannuation, and
(vi) increase foreign aid to improve global equality for women through Australia’s international development program.

Senator Faruqi: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the inherent conflict of interest present when animal welfare issues are regulated by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (the Department),
(ii) that the Department inappropriately influenced the Review of the Regulatory Capability and Culture of the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources in the Regulation of Live Animal Exports, also known as the ‘Moss Review’ report,
(iii) that the Department removed words that pointed to its failure in regulating the live export industry and warnings of the risks of corruption, and
(iv) that the Department further outright rejected some of Mr Moss’ draft findings, including dismissing one of the review’s conclusions on the Department’s inability to address livestock mortality as “overly simplistic”; and

(b) condemns the Federal Government for interfering with the Moss Review.

Senator Anning: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Regional Investment Corporation Act 2018, and for related purposes. Regional Investment Corporation Amendment (National Development) Bill 2019.

Notice of motion altered on 20 March 2019 pursuant to standing order 77.

Senator Anning: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for a plebiscite at the next general election in relation to migration to Australia, and for related purposes. Plebiscite (Allowing Australians to Decide Who Comes Here) Bill 2019.

Senator Anning: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to provide for citizen initiated referendums, and for related purposes. Democratising Lawmaking Bill 2019.

Senator Anning: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) with great concern, growing levels of homelessness amongst Australians, in particular the elderly,
(ii) long waiting lists for public housing, and
(iii) the priority afforded to so-called refugees in the provision of public accommodation; and

(b) calls on state and Federal Governments to give absolute priority in all publicly-funded accommodation to Australian citizens over recent arrivals.
BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (3 April 2019)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Regulations and Ordinances—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on the continuing effectiveness, role and future direction of the committee.

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

3 Economics Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australia Fund Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 Procedure—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on formal business.

5 Procedure—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on a proposed parliamentary code of conduct.

*6 Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on the review of the Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment (Assistance and Access) Act 2018.

On 5 April 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the National Integrity Commission Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the National Integrity (Parliamentary Standards) Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2). (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 8 April 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on disputes with financial service providers.
On 15 April 2019

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Bill 2018

Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (3 December 2018).

On 13 May 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Economics Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 14 May 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on the 2019-20 Budget estimates.

On the tenth sitting day of 2019 (28 May 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

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

On 29 May 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee

Report to be presented on Australia’s faunal extinction crisis.

On 4 June 2019

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 18 October 2018

1 Senator Rice: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by the first sitting Wednesday in March 2019:

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

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

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

(d) how this discrimination affects the human rights, legal rights, access to justice, health, wellbeing and educational and economic outcomes of LGBTIQ+ people in Australia;

(e) the additional and compounding impacts of discrimination on LGBTIQ+ people and their families who are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, of different or minority race, ethnicity or religion, or on the grounds of their migrant status, age, ability and socio-economic background or circumstances, who have intersectional LGBTIQ+ identities, or who have a range of these personal characteristics;

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

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

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

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

(j) any other related matters.

**On 27 June 2019**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Report to be presented on air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities.

**On the last sitting day in June 2019 (27 June 2019)**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

Report to be presented on regional inequality in Australia.
On 30 June 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Fair Dinkum Power—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 12 August 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton
   Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of
   Bills Committee report.)

On the second sitting day in August 2019 (13 August 2019)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on emergency response at Australian airports.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian shipping.

On 19 August 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on a National Horse Traceability Register.

On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2019 (10 September 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 17 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impact of feral deer, pigs and goats in Australia.
Within 6 months of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters receiving the reference

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee


OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Banking System Reform (Separation of Banks) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 13 May 2019)

Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Lowering Voting Age and Increasing Voter Participation) Bill 2018
Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (referred pursuant to the order of the Senate on 25 June 2018; reporting date: 29 March 2019)

Export Control Amendment (Banning Cotton Exports to Ensure Water Security) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 12 August 2019)

Lower Tax Bill 2018 ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 6 December 2018; reporting date: 2 April 2019)

National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Worker Screening Database) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 6 December 2018; reporting date: 8 February 2019; note: bill introduced in the House of Representatives on 13 February 2019)

National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 [provisions of private member’s bill] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 29 November 2018; reporting date: 5 April 2019)

National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2) [private senator’s bill] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 6 December 2018; reporting date: 5 April 2019)

National Integrity (Parliamentary Standards) Bill 2018 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 6 December 2018; reporting date: 5 April 2019)
Parliamentary Joint Committee on the Australia Fund Bill 2018
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 6 December 2018; reporting date: 3 April 2019)

Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 1 April 2019)

Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 14 February 2019; reporting date: 1 April 2019)

‡ 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.

Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan No. 2) Bill 2017
Question that the bill be agreed to was negatived in committee of the whole, 22 August 2018.

Private senators’ bills

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

Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment (Debt Ceiling) Bill 2018
Second reading negatived, 13 August 2018.

Lands Acquisition Amendment (Public Purpose) Bill 2017
Second reading negatived, 14 September 2017.
Plebiscite (Allowing Australians to Decide Who Comes Here) Bill 2018
First reading negatived, 26 November 2018

Plebiscite (Restricting Non-European Migration) Bill 2018
First reading negatived, 18 October 2018

Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015
Second reading negatived, 15 August 2018.

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

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Questions remaining unanswered
Nos 315, 494, 524, 525, 644, 775, 879, 948, 951, 989 to 995, 1000, 1102, 1107, 1112, 1113, 1116 to 1120, 1196, 1200, 1203, 1205, 1209, 1213, 1217 to 1226.

Question nos, as shown, from 315 to 1213 remain unanswered for 30 or more days (see standing order 74(5)).

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

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

Community Affairs
Health
Social services, including Human Services

Economics
Industry, Innovation and Science
Treasury

Education and Employment
Education and Training
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, Regional Development and Cities.

(Agreed to 31 August 2016; varied 12 February, 15 February and 17 September 2018)

Budget day, 2 April 2019—Hours of meeting and routine of business

That the hours of meeting for Tuesday, 2 April 2019 be from midday to 6.30 pm and 8.30 pm to adjournment and that the routine of business from 8.30 pm shall be:

(a) Budget statement and documents 2019-20; and
(b) adjournment.

(Agreed to 14 February 2019)

Environment and Communications References Committee—Determination of committee chair—Standing order 25(9)

That, pursuant to standing order 25(9), the Senate determines:

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

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

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

Estimates hearings—2018-19 additional estimates; 2019-20 Budget estimates

(1) That estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2019 be scheduled as follows:

2018-19 additional estimates:
  Monday, 18 February and Tuesday, 19 February (Group A)
  Wednesday, 20 February and Thursday, 21 February (Group B).

2019-20 Budget estimates:
  Thursday, 4 April, Monday, 8 April and Tuesday, 9 April, and, if required, Friday, 12 April (Group A)
  Friday, 5 April and Wednesday, 10 April to Thursday, 11 April, and, if required, Friday, 12 April (Group B)
Monday, 21 October and Tuesday, 22 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)
Wednesday, 23 October and Thursday, 24 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, 22 February, Friday, 12 April and Friday, 25 October, but not restricted to these days.

(3) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 22 February, Friday, 12 April and Friday, 25 October, 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, 2 April 2019 in respect of the 2018-19 additional estimates; and

(b) Tuesday, 14 May 2019 in respect of the 2019-20 Budget estimates.

**(Agreed to 29 November 2018)**

**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)**
That the Senate—

(a) requires legislation committees to set a deadline for the return of answers to questions on notice from the 2018-19 additional estimates of not later than Friday, 29 March 2019; and

(b) for the 2019-20 Budget estimates only, varies the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014, Estimates hearings - Unanswered questions on notice, to require that the statement required under paragraph (1) of the order be laid on the table by not later than Monday, 1 April 2019.

(Agreed to 13 February 2019)

**Indigenous Advancement Strategy—Grant applications—Order for production of documents (no. 1175)**

(1) That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs, by no later than 9.30 am on 15 November 2018:

(a) the advice provided by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to the Minister regarding the grants to the Northern Territory Cattlemen’s Association (NTCA), the Amateur Fishermen’s Association of the Northern Territory (AFANT) and the Northern Territory Seafood Council (NTSC) that were referred to during the 2018-19 supplementary Budget estimates cross-portfolio hearings of the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee on 26 October 2018;

(b) copies of the grant applications by the NTCA, AFANT and NTSC for funding from the Indigenous Advancement Strategy; and

(c) any correspondence, or any other information including briefs, meeting and file notes from or to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs about these grants.

(2) At the conclusion of question time on 15 November 2018, and any day after that period, a senator may ask the relevant minister for an explanation of the response to the order contained in paragraph (1) or for an explanation of the failure to respond, and:

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

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

(Agreed to 13 November 2018)

**Meeting of Senate—2019**

That the days of meeting of the Senate for 2019 be as follows:

**Autumn sittings:**

Tuesday, 12 February to Thursday, 14 February

**Budget sittings:**

Tuesday, 2 April and Wednesday, 3 April
Winter sittings:
  Monday, 13 May to Thursday, 16 May
  Tuesday, 28 May to Thursday, 30 May
  Monday, 3 June to Thursday, 6 June
  Monday, 17 June to Thursday, 20 June
  Monday, 24 June to Thursday, 27 June

Spring sittings:
  Monday, 12 August to Thursday, 15 August
  Monday, 19 August to Thursday, 22 August
  Monday, 9 September to Thursday, 12 September
  Monday, 16 September to Thursday, 19 September
  Monday, 14 October to Thursday, 17 October
  Monday, 11 November to Thursday, 14 November
  Monday, 25 November to Thursday, 28 November
  Monday, 2 December to Thursday, 5 December.

(Agreed to 29 November 2018)

Quarterly update of Australia’s National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Order of continuing effect

(1) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment, by not later than 5 calendar months after each:
   (a) 31 March;
   (b) 30 June;
   (c) 30 September; and
   (d) 31 December
   the quarterly update of Australia’s National Greenhouse Gas Inventory.

(2) If the Senate is not sitting when a quarterly update is ready for presentation, the statement is to be presented to the President under standing order 166.

(3) This order is of continuing effect.

(Agreed to 17 October 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)

Suspension motions and formal business—Temporary order

That the following temporary order be adopted immediately and have effect until the last sitting day of this Parliament:

The question on any motion to suspend standing orders moved in the following circumstances shall be put immediately without amendment or debate:

(a) any motion to suspend standing orders to provide for the consideration of a motion for which formality has been denied

(b) any other motion to suspend standing orders moved during the consideration of formal business under standing order 66.

(Agreed to 28 November 2018 upon adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s fourth report of 2018)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

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

Formal business

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

4 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
   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

5 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann): To move (contingent on the chair declaring that the time allotted for the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill, has expired)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent further consideration of the bill, or the stage of the bill, without limitation of time or for a specified period.
   Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
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6 To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion that a bill be considered an urgent bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent debate taking place on the motion.
7 To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion to specify time to be allotted to the consideration of a bill, or any stage of a bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent the motion being debated without limitation of time and each senator speaking for the time allotted by standing orders.

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

Matters of urgency

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

10 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
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   To move (contingent on the moving of a motion to debate a matter of urgency under standing order 75)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent a senator moving an amendment to the motion.

Order of business

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

12 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
  Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
  Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
  Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
  Senator Anning
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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

13 Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
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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

14 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
  Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
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| Senator the Honourable Simon Birmingham  
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| Senator the Honourable Mitchell (Mitch) Fifield  
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Minister for Human Services and Digital Transformation |
| Senator the Honourable Michaelia Cash  
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