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# Guide to the Notice Paper

## Notices of motion
A proposed resolution that a senator intends to put to the Senate for debate and/or a vote. Notice is given so others have time to consider the proposal.

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

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Notice of motion

*1 Senator Patrick: To move—

(1) That the Senate notes that—

(a) Australia ratified the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea 1982 (UNCLOS) and the Statute of the International Court of Justice 1945 (ICJ), accepting the compulsory jurisdiction of the ICJ and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS);

(b) subsequently, on 22 March 2002, Australia made declarations under articles 287(1) and 298(1) of UNCLOS, and article 26 of the Statute of the ICJ, actions which:
   (i) limited Australia’s acceptance of the compulsory jurisdiction of the ICJ and the ITLOS in maritime boundaries disputes, and
   (ii) prevented Timor-Leste from exercising its rights under international law;

(c) the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties (JSCOT), responsible for scrutinising all treaty actions by Australia, was not given the opportunity to scrutinise the declarations before their making;

(d) JSCOT reported on 26 August 2002 that non-government committee members ‘believe the ICJ declaration ... damages Australia’s international reputation and may not be in Australia’s long-term national interests’ as it ‘may be interpreted as an effort to intimidate and limit the options of neighbouring countries in relation to any future maritime border disputes’;

(e) Australia has since signed a maritime boundaries treaty with the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste.

(2) That the following matter be referred to Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee for inquiry and report by 28 November 2019:

(a) Australia’s declarations made under articles 287(1) and 298(1) of UNCLOS and article 26 of the Statute of the ICJ, including the question of whether those declarations should be revoked and new declarations made which submit maritime delimitation disputes to the jurisdiction of the ICJ or ITLOS; and

(b) any related matter.
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the day

1. **Criminal Code Amendment (Agricultural Protection) Bill 2019**
   - Adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam)—That this bill be now read a second time.
   - And on the amendment moved by Senator McKim—Omit all words after “That”, substitute:
     - (1) The bill be withdrawn and redrafted to deal with the numerous and significant unintended consequences that have been outlined in the Labor Senators’ additional comments to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee’s report on this bill.
     - (2) The redrafted bill, on introduction, be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report.
   - (Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson), in continuation, 11 September 2019).

2. **Social Services Legislation Amendment (Overseas Welfare Recipients Integrity Program) Bill 2019**—(Assistant Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters, Senator Seselja)
   - Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 September 2019).

3. **Customs Amendment (Immediate Destruction of Illicit Tobacco) Bill 2019**—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
   - Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

4. **Treasury Laws Amendment (Ending Grandfathered Conflicted Remuneration) Bill 2019**—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
   - Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

5. **Governor-General’s Opening Speech**
   - Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McDonald—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 (Senator Stoker, in continuation, 1 August 2019).

6. **Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Tax Integrity and Other Measures No. 1) Bill 2019**—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
   - Second reading—Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

7. **Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Amendment Bill 2019**—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
   - Second reading—Adjourned debate (25 July 2019).
*8 Migration Amendment (Streamlining Visa Processing) Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

*9 Aged Care Amendment (Movement of Provisionally Allocated Places) Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

*10 Higher Education Support (Charges) Bill 2019
   Higher Education Support Amendment (Cost Recovery) Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

*11 Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Amendment (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2019
   Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage (Regulatory Levies) Amendment Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

*12 Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Extend Family Assistance to ABSTUDY Secondary School Boarding Students Aged 16 and Over) Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

*13 National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits) Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

14 Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 2 and Other Measures) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (25 July 2019).

15 Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Bill 2019—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

16 National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Streamlined Governance) Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (25 July 2019).
GENERAL BUSINESS

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

Notices of motion

Notice given 11 September 2019

*117 Senator Dean Smith: To move—That the Senate—
(a) recognises that Western Australia’s North West Shelf celebrated 30 years of liquefied natural gas (LNG) exports in August this year;
(b) notes the following milestones for the LNG sector:
   (i) that Japan was Western Australia’s first LNG customer back in 1989, and continues to be Australia’s largest LNG customer,
   (ii) in 2006, Western Australia became the first jurisdiction in the world to export LNG to China,
   (iii) in 2018, Western Australia’s LNG sales by volume increased 34% to 44.7 million tonnes from Gorgon, Wheatstone, Northwest shelf and Pluto, and
   (iv) in 2019, Australia’s total LNG production capacity will reach 88 mtpa, making it the largest LNG producer in the world; and
(c) recognises the important contribution the LNG sector makes to the Western Australian economy, accounting for 17% of total resources and energy exports in 2018, and estimated to be worth $27 billion to the economy.

*118 Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson): To move—That the Senate—
(a) acknowledges:
   (i) the cost, cause and impact of lengthy delay in case management on children and families with matters before the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Circuit Court of Australia,
   (ii) the impact of such delay on the health, safety and wellbeing of children involved in matters before the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Circuit Court of Australia, and
   (iii) the mental impact on parents resulting from too many Australian parents being denied equal custody or access to their children following divorce or separation; and
(b) calls on the Federal Government to hold a Royal Commission or establish a joint select committee into the family law system to reach a final and comprehensive determination of this contentious area of law, taking into account all prior reviews to reach an outcome for the benefit of Australian families without further delay in a holistic informed process, rather than in a fragmented fashion which has been the hallmark to the present time.
*119 Senator Faruqi: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) Traditional Owners have not been given enough time to assess the cultural heritage impact of a plan to raise the wall of Warragamba dam, with just 40 days to respond to a 2000-page report,

(ii) the raised dam would flood world heritage-listed areas of the Blue Mountains and a number of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites, and

(iii) on 16 August 2019, 100 people gathered in the Blue Mountains village of Faulconbridge for a public meeting, organised by the Blue Mountains City Council and the Wollondilly Shire Council, where Traditional Owners spoke about the ‘inadequate and rushed cultural heritage assessment’ for the Warragamba dam proposal; and

(b) calls on the New South Wales government to give Traditional Owners more time to respond to the report, and to engage in genuine consultation with the community on the Warragamba dam proposal.

*120 Senator Gallagher: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) economic growth is the slowest it has been since 2008 when Labor navigated Australia through the global financial crisis,

(ii) wages growth has hit record lows,

(iii) 1.8 million Australians are looking for work or for more work to combat the rising cost of living and increasing pressures on their household budgets,

(iv) living standards and productivity are going backwards, and

(v) the Morrison Government has no plan to deal with the domestic economic challenges, leaving us unnecessarily exposed to global shocks, and to support Australians struggling to meet their weekly costs; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to properly outline an economic plan that supports the floundering economy and better safeguards it from global risks, done in a fiscally-sustainable way, which could include:

(i) delivering more infrastructure spending now to maintain jobs and stimulate economic growth,

(ii) bringing forward part of the income tax cuts scheduled to commence on 1 July 2022,

(iii) reviewing and responsibly increasing Newstart to put more money in the pockets of those most likely to spend it in the economy,

(iv) implementing the Australian Investment Guarantee to incentivise and boost business investment, and

(v) developing an urgent and comprehensive plan to boost wages, starting with restoring penalty rates.

*121 Senator Keneally: To move—

(1) That the Senate notes that—

(a) Paladin – the small company registered to a beach shack on Kangaroo Island, which was awarded a $523 million contract without a proper tender process – has been fined over 1,000 times in 18 months for failing to provide contracted services;
(b) the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs (Senator Cash) told the Senate on 10 September 2019 that these fines “often related to relatively minor administrative failures”; and

c) documents produced under order of the Senate revealed that the total abatement could have totalled $11 million, if not for monthly penalty limits.

(2) That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs, by no later than 12.20 pm on 16 September 2019:

(a) an unredacted copy of each performance management report, which details the aforementioned fines, relating to Paladin’s contract to provide services on Manus Island; and

(b) a copy of the full report prepared by the Independent Health Advice Panel for the second quarter of 2019, in accordance with section 199E of the Migration Act 1958.

*122 Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson): To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act creating a system of mandatory self-assessment of family law matters, and for other purposes. Family Law (Self-Assessment) Bill 2019.

*123 Senator McDonald: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the resources industry is critical to the Queensland economy, contributing 1 in every 8 jobs in Queensland and $4.3 billion in royalties shared across the state of Queensland,

(ii) the New Acland coal mine has been seeking approvals for their Stage 3 expansion since 2007, which would extend the mine’s life until 2031 and increase production from 5.2 million tonnes to 7.5 million tonnes per annum,

(iii) the New Acland coal mine is vital for the Oakey economy, currently employing 300 workers with dozens more servicing the needs of the mine site, and

(iv) recently, the mine has reduced its staff from 300 to 150, due to 12 years of delays in receiving the necessary approvals; and

(b) calls on the Queensland Government to not allow its approvals process to be delayed because of judicial activism.

*124 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the Senate notes that:

(a) on 10 September 2019, in relation to general business notice of motion no. 105, the Australian Labor Party indicated it does not like long, detailed motions; and

(b) the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 is ineffective at regulating habitat loss and is failing to prevent species extinction.

*125 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) community members are in Parliament this week to meet with members and senators to talk about their lived experiences of being on income support,
many have recounted the stress, trauma and poverty they experience engaging with the income support system and living below the poverty line,

Newstart and Youth Allowance have not had an increase in real terms for over 25 years,

recipients of these income support payments are unable to cover basic living costs such as housing, food, transport, healthcare and utilities, and

income inequality and poverty has significant negative effects on individuals’ physical and mental wellbeing and society; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government and all members of Parliament to listen to the lived experiences of those on income support, and make it a priority to help address poverty in Australia by raising Newstart and Youth Allowance immediately.

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

(a) notes that:

(i) since 2001, more than 230 Australians have died in quad bike-related accidents,

(ii) multiple stakeholders have called for action on quad bike safety, including the National Farmers’ Federation, the Rural Doctors Association of Australia, the Royal Flying Doctor Service, the National Rural Health Alliance, the National Rural Women’s Coalition, the Country Women’s Association of Australia, and the Australian Workers’ Union, and

(iii) since 2013, the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission has regularly issued public warnings on quad bike safety, and has recommended a mandatory safety standard to the Assistant Treasurer, including requiring operator protection devices for general use models; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to act to prevent future deaths by adopting the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission’s recommendations in full.

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

(a) notes that:

(i) 28 August 2019 was Unequal Pay Day, marking the 59 additional days from the end of the previous financial year that women must work, on average, to earn the same amount as men earned in 2018-19,

(ii) the Workplace Gender Equality Agency (WGEA) annual data, released on 15 August 2019, shows that the gender pay gap in Australia is still unacceptably high at 14%,

(iii) men earn $25,717, or 21.3%, more than women each year on average, in full-time work across all jobs, including overtime and bonuses (total remuneration),

(iv) financial and insurance services remains the industry with the highest total remuneration gender pay gap at 24.4%,

(v) professional, scientific and technical services is the industry with the second-highest gender pay gap at 24.3%,
in May 2019, the gender pay gap was 17.3% in the private sector and 10.7% in the public sector,

in 2018, the gender pay gap amongst managers was 25.7%, with an average total remuneration dollar difference of $50,370 – WGEA attributes this gap as due to more discretionary pay and less reliance on awards and collective agreements among non-managers,

the WGEA, KPMG Australia and Diversity Council of Australia paper, *She’s Price(d)/ess: the economics of the gender pay gap*, estimates that gender discrimination is the largest single contributor to the gender pay gap, at 39%,

WGEA data shows that 70% of workplaces have a formal policy and strategy in place to support flexible working arrangements for employees, yet less than 2% have set targets for men’s engagement in flexible work, and

47.8% of organisations reporting to WGEA provide primary carer’s leave, and 41.8% provide secondary carer’s leave, in addition to the Federal Government’s paid parental leave scheme; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) increase the resourcing for WGEA, strengthen its powers, and require all large employers to publicly report their gender pay gap,

(ii) prohibit the use of pay gag clauses in private employment contracts, which disguise the gender pay gap in the private sector,

(iii) set gender pay equality as an objective of awards and the Fair Work Act,

(iv) introduce measures to ensure appropriate classification and pay for work in traditionally low paid industries where the majority of workers are women and/or migrants, and

(v) expand the coverage of WGEA to include the public sector.

DOCUMENTS

Orders of the day relating to documents

1 President’s report to the Senate on the status of government responses to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2019

   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

2 Universal Service Obligation—Order of 3 April 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Communications and the Arts (Senator Fifield) responding to the order and raising public interest immunity claims

   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).
3 Australian Law Reform Commission—Report no. 135—Family law for the future: An inquiry into the family law system—Final and summary reports
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

4 Clean Energy Regulator—2018 Annual Statement to the Parliament on the progress towards the 2020 Large-scale Renewable Energy Target
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

5 Office of the National Wind Farm Commissioner—Report for 2018
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

6 Closing the Gap—Resolution of 2 April 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Premier of South Australia (Mr Marshall)
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

7 Crocodile management—Resolution of 12 February 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Queensland Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef (Ms Enoch)
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

8 National Rural Health Commissioner—Report for 2018
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

9 Clean Energy Regulator—Renewable Energy Target administrative report for 2018
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

10 Australian Building and Construction Commission—Performance of the functions and the exercise of powers of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner—Quarterly report for the period 1 January to 31 March 2019
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

11 Sydney Airport Demand Management Act 1997—Quarterly report on the maximum movement limit for Sydney Airport for the period 1 January to 31 March 2019
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

12 Treaty—Bilateral—Agreement between Australia and the Oriental Republic of Uruguay on the Promotion and Protection of Investments (Canberra, 5 April 2019)—Text, together with national interest analysis and annexures
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

14 Fair Work Act 2009—Quarterly report by the Commonwealth Ombudsman for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).
15 Department of Home Affairs—Paladin contracts—Order of 4 July 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business (Senator Cash) responding to the order, and attachments, as follows—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Home Affairs (Mr Dutton), and attachments
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

17 *Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003*—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Subsections 12G(2) and 54(2)—Annual reports for 2018-19
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

18 *Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003*—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Subsection 12G(1)—Quarterly report for the period 1 July to 30 September 2018
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

19 *Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003*—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Subsection 12G(1)—Quarterly report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2018
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

20 *Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003*—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Subsections 12G(1) and 54(1)—Quarterly reports for the period 1 January to 31 March 2019
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21 *Superannuation (Government Co-contribution for Low Income Earners) Act 2003*—Operation of the Government co-contribution scheme—Subsections 12G(1) and 54(1)—Quarterly reports for the period 1 April to 30 June 2019
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

22 Entity contracts for 2018-19—Letter of advice pursuant to the order of the Senate of 20 June 2001, as amended—Department of Human Services
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

*23 Migration Act 1958*—Section 199E—Independent Health Advice Panel—Quarterly report for the period 1 April to 30 June 2019
Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).
COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

Orders of the Day relating to Committee Reports and Government Responses

1 Economics References Committee—Regional inequality in Australia—Report
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

2 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—The appropriateness and effectiveness of the objectives, design, implementation and evaluation of jobactive—Additional information
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

3 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—The people behind 000; Mental health of our first responders—Additional information
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

4 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—They never came home – The framework surrounding the prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia—Additional information
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

5 Environment and Communications References Committee—Report—Allegations of political interference in the Australian Broadcasting Corporation—Correction
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

6 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Operation, regulation and funding of air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities—Report
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

7 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Provision of rescue, firefighting and emergency response at Australian airports—Report
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

8 Senators’ Interests—Standing Committee—Register of senators’ interests incorporating statements of registrable interests and notifications of alterations lodged between 1 and 30 July 2019
   Consideration (9 September 2019).

9 Environment and Communications References Committee—Report—Risks and opportunities associated with the use of the bumblebee population in Tasmania for commercial pollination purposes—Government response
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

10 Stillbirth Research and Education—Select Committee—Government response
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

11 Community Affairs References Committee—Report—ParentsNext, including its trial and subsequent broader rollout—Government response
   Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).
12 Environment and Communications References Committee—Report—
Allegations of political interference in the Australian Broadcasting
Corporation—Government response
Adjourned debate (10 September 2019).

13 Trade and Investment Growth—Joint Standing Committee—Report—
Austrade’s role in attracting investment in Australia—Government response
Adjourned debate (10 September 2019).

AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS

Orders of the Day relating to Auditor-General’s reports

1 Auditor-General—Report no. 8 of 2019-20—Performance audit—
Management of the Tourist Refund Scheme: Department of Home Affairs;
Department of the Treasury; Australian Taxation Office
Adjourned debate (9 September 2019).

2 Auditor-General—Audit report no. 35 of 2018-19—Performance audit—
Governance of the Special Broadcasting Service Corporation: Special
Broadcasting Service Corporation (SBS)
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

3 Auditor-General—Audit report no. 39 of 2018-19—Performance audit—The
Bureau of Meteorology’s delivery of extreme weather services: Bureau of
Meteorology
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

4 Auditor-General—Audit report no. 45 of 2018-19—Performance audit—
Coordination and targeting of domestic violence funding and actions:
Department of Social Services
Adjourned debate (1 August 2019).

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (13 September 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 Migration Amendment
(Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of
Bills Committee report.)

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Legislation Amendment
(Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills
Committee report.)
On 16 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 31 July 2019

1 Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report by 11 November 2019:

The impact of seismic testing on fisheries and the marine environment, with particular reference to:

(a) the body of science and research into the impacts of seismic testing;
(b) the regulation of seismic testing in both Commonwealth and state waters;
(c) the approach taken to seismic testing internationally; and
(d) any other related matters.

Notice given 9 September 2019

2 Senator Faruqi: To move—That the Australian Education Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019, made under the Australian Education Act 2013, be disallowed [F2019L00558].

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

Notice given 11 September 2019

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

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

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 10 September 2019

116 Senators Polley and Siewert: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) September is Dementia Awareness Month,
   (ii) the theme for 2019 is ‘Dementia doesn’t discriminate. Do you?’ and Dementia Australia is encouraging people to have a discussion about discrimination against people living with dementia,
   (iii) dementia is the leading cause of death for Australian women and will be the leading cause of all deaths in Australia within the next five years, and
   (iv) as Australians we must become more dementia aware, to get a better understanding of what it is like to live with dementia and to create communities where people with dementia are supported and can enjoy a better quality of life;

(b) acknowledges:
(i) Dementia Australia’s Dementia Friends program which is already transforming the way we think, act and talk about dementia, and
(ii) the thousands of Australians, including Dementia Ambassadors, politicians, businesses, communities and individuals who have already signed up to be a Dementia Friend; and
(c) urges all levels of government to:
   (i) take action to raise awareness of dementia so that people living with dementia remain included, accepted and connected within their own community, and
   (ii) encourage those in their communities to pledge their support by becoming a Dementia Friend.

Order for Production of Documents

100 Commissioner of Taxation—Provision of documents to the Economics Legislation Committee—Order for production of documents

By the Commissioner of Taxation to the Economics Legislation Committee, by no later than 5 pm on 16 September 2019, documents relating to disclosure by a whistleblower. (Motion of Senator Patrick agreed to 10 September 2019.)

On 17 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 1 August 2019


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

Notice given 9 September 2019

2 Senators Siewert and McKim: To move—That the Quality of Care Amendment (Minimising the Use of Restraints) Principles 2019, made under the Aged Care Act 1997, be disallowed [F2019L00511].

Thirteen sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.
Four sitting days after today (19 September 2019)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 22 July 2019

1 Senator Patrick: To move—That the Civil Aviation (Community Service Flights – Conditions on Flight Crew Licences) Amendment Instrument 2019, made under the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998, be disallowed [F2019L00554].

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

Notice given 29 July 2019

2 Senator Patrick: To move—That the Civil Aviation (Community Service Flights - Conditions on Flight Crew Licences) Instrument 2019, made under the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998, be disallowed [F2019L00134].

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

On 19 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the Murray-Darling Basin Commission of Inquiry Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 26 September 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee

Report to be presented on compliance by former Ministers of State with Ministerial Standards.

On 14 October 2019

Government Business—Order of the Day

*1 ANL Legislation Repeal Bill 2019—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries, Senator Duniam)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).
On 16 October 2019

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 31 July 2019

1 Senator Roberts: To move—that the following legislative instruments, made under the Corporations Act 2001, be disallowed:
   (a) the ASIC Corporations (Banking Code of Practice - Revocation of 2018 Approval) Instrument 2019/662 [F2019L00877]; and
   (b) the ASIC Corporations (Approval of Banking Code of Practice) Instrument 2019/663 [F2019L00878].

Eleven 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 References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impact of changes to service delivery models on the administration and running of Government programs.

2 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Human Services Amendment (Photographic Identification and Fraud Prevention) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 18 October 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Migration Amendment (Repairing Medical Transfers) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 Migration Amendment (Repairing Medical Transfers) Bill 2019—(Assistant Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters, Senator Seselja)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (29 July 2019).

On 25 October 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
Government Business—Orders of the Day

1 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2019—(Minister for Families and Social Services, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (31 July 2019).

*2 Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2019—(Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, Senator Canavan)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (11 September 2019).

On 11 November 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Ministers of State (Checks for Security Purposes) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Amendment (Assisted Reproductive Treatment Statistics) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 12 November 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
Report to be presented on income support payments.

Eleven sitting days after today (13 November 2019)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 1 August 2019

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Fierravanti-Wells): To move—That the Immigration (Guardianship of Children) Regulations 2018, made under the Immigration (Guardianship of Children) Act 1946, be disallowed [F2018L01708].

Twelve 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 Fierravanti-Wells): To move—That the Underwater Cultural Heritage Rules 2018, made under the Underwater Cultural Heritage Act 2018, be disallowed [F2019L00096].

Twelve 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 Fierravanti-Wells): To move—that the Water Amendment (Murray-Darling Basin Agreement - Basin Salinity Management) Regulations 2018, made under the Water Act 2007, be disallowed [F2018L01674].

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

On 13 November 2019

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 31 July 2019

84 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Fierravanti-Wells): To move—that, in accordance with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances in its report, Parliamentary scrutiny of delegated legislation—

(1) The standing orders be amended, with effect from 4 December 2019, as follows:

(a) omit standing order 23, substitute:

23 Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation

(1) A Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation shall be appointed at the commencement of each Parliament.

(2) All instruments made under the authority of Acts of the Parliament, which are subject to disallowance, disapproval or affirmative resolution by the Senate and which are of a legislative character, shall stand referred to the committee for consideration and, if necessary, report.

(3) The committee shall scrutinise each instrument as to whether:

(a) it is in accordance with its enabling Act and otherwise complies with all legislative requirements;

(b) it appears to be supported by a constitutional head of legislative power and is otherwise constitutionally valid;

(c) it makes rights, liberties, obligations or interests unduly dependent on insufficiently defined administrative powers;

(d) those likely to be affected by the instrument were adequately consulted in relation to it;

(e) its drafting is defective or unclear;

(f) it, and any document it incorporates, may be freely accessed and used;

(g) the accompanying explanatory material provides sufficient information to gain a clear understanding of the instrument;

(h) it trespasses unduly on personal rights and liberties;

(i) it unduly excludes, limits or fails to provide for independent review of decisions affecting rights, liberties, obligations or interests;
(j) it contains matters more appropriate for parliamentary enactment; and
(k) it complies with any other ground relating to the technical scrutiny of delegated legislation that the committee considers appropriate.

(4) The committee shall also scrutinise each instrument to determine whether the attention of the Senate should be drawn to the instrument on the ground that it raises significant issues, or otherwise gives rise to issues that are likely to be of interest to the Senate.

(5) The committee may, for the purpose of reporting on its terms of reference, consider any proposed or draft legislative instrument, including an exposure draft of such an instrument.

(6) (a) The committee shall consist of 6 senators, 3 being members of the government party nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, and 3 being senators who are not members of the government party, nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or by any minority groups or independent senators.

(b) The nominations of the opposition or any minority groups or independent senators shall be determined by agreement between the opposition and the minority groups or independent senators, and, in the absence of agreement duly notified to the President, the question of the representation on the committee shall be determined by the Senate.

(7) The committee may appoint sub-committees consisting of 3 or more of its members, and refer to any such sub-committee any matters which the committee is empowered to consider.

(8) The committee shall elect as chair a member appointed to the committee on the nomination of the Leader of the Government in the Senate.

(9) The committee shall elect as deputy chair a member appointed to the committee on the nomination of the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, and the member so elected shall act as chair of the committee when there is no chair or the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee.

(10) Where votes on a question before the committee are equally divided, the chair, or the deputy chair when acting as chair, shall have a casting vote.

(11) The committee and any sub-committee shall have power to send for persons and documents, to move from place to place, and to meet and transact business in public or private session and notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament or dissolution of the House of Representatives.

(12) The committee may inquire into and report on any matter related to the technical scrutiny of delegated legislation.

(13) The committee may appoint with the approval of the President a legal adviser to the committee.
The committee shall be empowered to print from day to day any of its documents and evidence. A daily Hansard shall be published of public proceedings of the committee.

The committee may report from time to time its proceedings and evidence and any recommendations, and shall make regular reports of the progress of the proceedings of the committee.

(b) omit standing order 25(2)(a), substitute:

(a) The legislation committees shall inquire into and report upon:

(i) estimates of expenditure in accordance with standing order 26,

(ii) bills or draft bills referred to them by the Senate,

(iii) legislative instruments made in the portfolios allocated to them,

(iv) annual reports in accordance with paragraph (20), and

(v) the performance of departments and agencies allocated to them.

(2) The initial members of the Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation shall be the members of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances appointed at the commencement of this Parliament.

(3) The Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation have the power to consider and use the records of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances.

On 25 November 2019

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 30 July 2019

72 Senator Kitching: To move—

(1) That a select committee, to be known as the Select Committee on Integrity, be established to inquire into and report on the integrity of government administration, with particular reference to:

(a) the adequacy and performance of existing integrity measures including, but not limited to:

(i) the Statement of Ministerial Standards, and

(ii) the Lobbyist Code and Register of Lobbyists;

(b) the funding, functions and performance of Commonwealth integrity agencies;

(c) the adequacy of government responses to Senate committee reports;

(d) the adequacy of government responses to Senate orders for the production of documents;

(e) the operation of the Commonwealth Procurement Framework;

(f) the administration of the Freedom of Information Act 1982 legislation;

(g) any proposals to strengthen the integrity of government administration; and
(h) any related matters.

(2) That the committee present its final report on or before the third sitting day of 2021.

(3) That the committee consist of 8 senators, as follows:
   (a) 2 nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate;
   (b) 2 nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate;
   (c) 1 nominated by the Leader of the Australian Greens; and
   (d) 3 nominated by minor party and independent senators.

(4) That:
   (a) participating members may be appointed to the committee on the nomination of the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate or any minority party or independent senator; and
   (b) participating members may participate in hearings of evidence and deliberations of the committee, and have all the rights of members of the committee, but may not vote on any questions before the committee.

(5) That 4 members of the committee constitute a quorum of the committee.

(6) That the committee may proceed to the dispatch of business notwithstanding that not all members have been duly nominated and appointed and notwithstanding any vacancy.

(7) That the committee elect as chair one of the members nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate and as deputy chair one of the members nominated by the Leader of the Australian Greens or by minor party and independent senators.

(8) That the deputy chair shall act chair when the chair is absent from a meeting of the committee or the position of chair is temporarily vacant.

(9) That, in the event of an equality of voting, the chair, or the deputy chair when acting as chair, have a casting vote.

(10) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of 3 or more of its members, and to refer to any such subcommittee any of the matters which the committee is empowered to consider.

(11) That the committee and any subcommittee have power to send for and examine persons and documents, to move from place to place, to sit in public or in private, notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament or dissolution of the House of Representatives, and have leave to report from time to time its proceedings and the evidence taken and such interim recommendations as it may deem fit.

(12) That the committee be provided with all necessary staff, facilities and resources and be empowered to appoint persons with specialist knowledge for the purposes of the committee with the approval of the President.

(13) That the committee be empowered to print from day to day such papers and evidence as may be ordered by it, and a daily Hansard be published of such proceedings as take place in public.
Fourteen sitting days after today (26 November 2019)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 11 September 2019

*1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Fierravanti-Wells): To move—That the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Timeshift Applications and Other Measures) Regulations 2019, made under the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Administration) Act 1992, Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994 and Agricultural and Veterinary Chemical Products (Collection of Levy) Act 1994, be disallowed [F2019L00357].

Fifteen 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 Fierravanti-Wells): To move—That the Air Services Regulations 2019, made under the Air Services Act 1995, be disallowed [F2019L00371].

Fifteen 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 Fierravanti-Wells): To move—That the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment (Collecting Tobacco Duties) Regulations 2019, made under the Customs Act 1901, be disallowed [F2019L00352].

Fifteen 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 Fierravanti-Wells): To move—That the Road Vehicle Standards Rules 2018, made under the Road Vehicle Standards Act 2018, be disallowed [F2019L00198].

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

On 26 November 2019

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 2 July 2019

1 Senator Rice: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 3 December 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;

(j) the reforms and initiatives required to remedy prejudice, stigma and discrimination against LGBTIQ+ people and their families, including legislative and policy reforms, funding for training and education programs, funding for community and government initiatives, development of funded government strategies, better liaison between government, relevant NGOs and the LGBTIQ+ community, and the development of national standards for best-practice legislative, policy and program initiatives; and

(k) any other related matters.

On 28 November 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Privileges—Standing Committee

Report to be presented on the development of a foreign influence transparency scheme.

On 2 December 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017. *(Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)*
On 3 December 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.

On 4 December 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Jobs for the Future in Regional Areas—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

2 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on Centrelink’s compliance program.

On the third sitting day of December 2019 (4 December 2019)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the disclosure and reporting of sensitive and classified information.

On 5 December 2019

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on policy, regulatory, taxation, administrative and funding priorities for Australian shipping.

3 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the feasibility of a National Horse Traceability Register for all horses.

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

On 1 March 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on the regulation of auditing in Australia.
On 27 March 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the adequacy of Newstart and related payments.

On or before 30 March 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Road Safety—Joint Select Committee
   Interim report to be presented.

April 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the road transport industry.

On the last sitting day of the 2020 Autumn sittings

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 the last sitting day in May 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on nationhood, national identity and democracy.

On the first sitting day in June 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder.

On or before 31 July 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Road Safety—Joint Select Committee
   Final report to be presented.
On or before the first sitting day in October 2020

General Business—Order of the Day

*1 Financial Technology and Regulatory Technology—Select Committee
Report to be presented.

On 1 November 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Multi-Jurisdictional Management and Execution of the Murray Darling Basin Plan—Select Committee
Report to be presented.

On or before the final sitting day of 2020

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Effectiveness of the Australian Government’s Northern Australia agenda—Select Committee
Report to be presented.

On the last sitting day in May 2022

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Implementation of the National Redress Scheme—Joint Select Committee
Report to be presented.

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
(Bill received royal assent on 29 November 2018.)
OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Amendment (Assisted Reproductive Treatment Statistics) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 25 July 2019; reporting date: 11 November 2019)

Coal-Fired Power Funding Prohibition Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 2 December 2019)

Competition and Consumer Amendment (Prevention of Exploitation of Indigenous Cultural Expressions) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 5 December 2019)

Fair Work Laws Amendment (Proper Use of Worker Benefits) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 25 October 2019)

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 25 October 2019)

Human Services Amendment (Photographic Identification and Fraud Prevention) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 1 August 2019; reporting date: 16 October 2019)

Migration Amendment (Repairing Medical Transfers) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 18 October 2019)

Migration Amendment (Strengthening the Character Test) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 13 September 2019)

Migration Legislation Amendment (Regional Processing Cohort) Bill 2019 [provisions] ‡
Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 13 September 2019)

Ministers of State (Checks for Security Purposes) Bill 2019 ‡
Referred to Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 11 November 2019)
Murray-Darling Basin Commission of Inquiry Bill 2019 ¶
Referred to Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 4 July 2019; reporting date: 19 September 2019)

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

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Private senators’ bills

Plebiscite (Future Migration Level) Bill 2018
Second reading negatived, 29 July 2019.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

Nos 221, 243, 324, 356, 382, 383, 385, 389, 391 to 395, 397 to 400, 403 to 410, 412 to 416, 418 to 530, 532 to 609.

Question nos, as shown, from 221 to 356 remain unanswered for 30 or more days (see standing order 74(5)).

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

ORDERS OF THE SENATE

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

(Agreed to 2 July 2019)
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 Services Australia
Economics
  Industry, Innovation and Science
  Treasury
Education and Employment
  Education
  Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business, including Industrial Relations
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, excluding Industrial Relations
  Home Affairs
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
  Agriculture
  Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development.

(Agreed to 4 July 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 supplementary Budget estimates
(1) That the 2019-20 supplementary Budget estimates hearings be scheduled as follows:
  Monday, 21 October and Tuesday, 22 October 2019 (supplementary hearings—Group A)
Wednesday, 23 October and Thursday, 24 October 2019 (supplementary hearings—Group B).

(2) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters and on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 25 October 2019, but not restricted to that day.

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

(4) That committees meet in the following groups:

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

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

*(Agreed to 4 July 2019)*

**Estimates questions (unanswered)—2019-20 Budget estimates**

That—

(a) answers to outstanding questions taken on notice in relation to the 2018-19 additional estimates and the 2019-20 Budget estimates, and which remained unanswered at the beginning of the 46th Parliament, be provided to legislation committees by 31 July 2019; and

(b) for the purposes of standing order 74(5), the day set for answering each of the unanswered questions is 31 July 2019.

*(Agreed to 29 July 2019)*

**First speeches**

That consideration of the business before the Senate on the following days be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable senators to make their first speeches without any question before the chair, as follows:

(a) Tuesday, 10 September 2019—Senators Scarr, Van and Rennick;

(b) Wednesday, 11 September 2019—Senators Marielle Smith and Walsh;

(c) Tuesday, 17 September 2019—Senators Antic and Davey; and

(d) Wednesday, 18 September 2019—Senator McMahon.

*(Agreed to 23 July 2019)*

**Formal business and suspensions of standing orders—Standing order 66—Amendment**

That, in accordance with the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2019, standing order 66 be amended as follows:
After paragraph (3), insert:

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

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

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

(Agreed to 4 July 2019)

Meeting of Senate—2019

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

Winter sittings:

Monday, 22 July to Thursday, 25 July
Monday, 29 July to Thursday, 1 August

Spring sittings:

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 4 July 2019)

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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)
   Senator Bernardi
   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 Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
   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)
   Senator Bernardi
   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 Government in the Senate (Senator Cormann)
   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)
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Patrick
   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)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Patrick

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.

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   Senator Bernardi
   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 order of business on the Notice Paper.

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

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Senator Carr (appointed 1 August 2019, for a period of 3 years).

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Attorney-General  
Minister for Industrial Relations |
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Minister for Youth and Sport | |
| Senator the Honourable Michaelia Cash  
Minister for Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business | Minister for Health  
Minister for Home Affairs  
Minister for Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs |
| Senator the Honourable Matt Canavan  
Minister for Resources and Northern Australia | Deputy Prime Minister  
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development  
Minister for Regional Services, Decentralisation and Local Government  
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| Senator the Honourable Linda Reynolds, CSC  
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Assistant Defence Minister  
Minister for Veterans and Defence Personnel  
Minister for Defence Industry |
| Senator the Honourable Anne Ruston  
Minister for Families and Social Services  
Manager of Government Business in the Senate | Minister for Indigenous Australians  
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Minister for Government Services |
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Senator the Honourable Zed Seselja
Assistant Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters

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- S—Senate sitting week only
- ‡—Supplementary Budget estimates
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