The Senate meets at 9.30 am

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

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

Business listed for today

- Matters of privilege
  - Proposed references to the Privileges Committee

- Business of the Senate
  - inclusion: disallowance motions
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  - committee reports to be presented

- Government business
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Lists any notice of motion or order of the day to be considered at a specific time in the future. For example, a committee report ordered to be presented on a specific date. Dates on which ministers have been ordered to produce documents are included here.

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Other information

- Questions on notice
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- Orders of the Senate
  An action the Senate requires to take place
  - new or amendments of standing orders
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  Motions to suspend standing orders that can be called upon when a specific event occurs

- Ministerial representation
  Senate ministers and the portfolios they represent
No. 104—28 June 2018

BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 26 June 2018

1 Senator Siewert: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Education and Employment References Committee for inquiry and report by 5 December 2018:

The appropriateness and effectiveness of the objectives, design, implementation and evaluation of jobactive, with specific reference to:

(a) the nature and underlying causes of joblessness in Australia;
(b) the methods by which Australians gain employment and their relative effectiveness;
(c) the extent of consultation and engagement with unemployed workers in the design and implementation of jobactive;
(d) the ability of jobactive to provide long-term solutions to joblessness, and to achieve social, economic and cultural outcomes that meet the needs and aspirations of unemployed workers;
(e) the fairness of mutual obligation requirements, the jobactive Job Plan negotiation process and expenditure of the Employment Fund;
(f) the adequacy and appropriateness of activities undertaken within the Annual Activity Requirement phase, including Work for the Dole, training, studying and volunteering programs and their effect on employment outcomes;
(g) the impacts and consequences of the job seeker compliance framework;
(h) the appeals process, including the lack of an employment services ombudsman;
(i) the funding of jobactive, including the adequacy of the ‘outcome driven’ funding model, and the adequacy of this funding model to address barriers to employment;
(j) alternative approaches to addressing joblessness; and
(k) any other related matters.

Notice given 27 June 2018

2 Deputy Chair of the Environment and Communications References Committee (Senator Duniam): To move—That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report by 17 September 2018:

The extent to which gaming micro-transactions for chance-based items, sometimes referred to as ‘loot boxes’, may be harmful, with particular reference to:

(a) whether the purchase of chance-based items, combined with the ability to monetise these items on third-party platforms, constitutes a form of gambling; and
(b) the adequacy of the current consumer protection and regulatory framework for in-game micro transactions for chance-based items, including international comparisons, age requirements and disclosure of odds.

Order of the Day

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

*1 National Security Legislation Amendment (Espionage and Foreign Interference) Bill 2018

Foreign Influence Transparency Scheme Bill 2018
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham)—That these bills be now read a second time.

And on the amendment moved by Senator McKim—At the end of the motion, in respect of the National Security Legislation Amendment (Espionage and Foreign Interference) Bill 2018, add: “; and the bill be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 14 August 2018.” (27 June 2018).

2 Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (Student Loan Sustainability) Bill 2018
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for International Development and the Pacific (Senator FIerravanti-Wells)—That this bill be now read a second time.

And on the amendment moved by Senator Hanson-Young—“, but the Senate notes that:

(a) the government is at war with young people, pursuing policies that put the aspirations of young people to get a degree, own a home and pay the bills further out of reach;
(b) the government is cutting $2.2 billion from universities around the country, without a vote in the Parliament or a mandate from the public;
(c) this bill makes students pay back more of their debt, sooner, rather than doing anything to assist people with the cost of living while studying or to boost wages upon graduation; and
(d) no government that genuinely supports aspiration would make it harder to study at university.”

(The Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson), in continuation, 26 June 2018).
3 Treasury Laws Amendment (Black Economy Taskforce Measures No. 1) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 June 2018).

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

5 Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan No. 2) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fieravanti-Wells)

6 Aged Care (Single Quality Framework) Reform Bill 2018

7 Interactive Gambling Amendment (Lottery Betting) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 May 2018).

8 Treasury Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy and Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 June 2018).

9 Australian Research Council Amendment Bill 2018

10 Corporations (Fees) Amendment (ASIC Fees) Bill 2018
National Consumer Credit Protection (Fees) Amendment (ASIC Fees) Bill 2018
Superannuation Auditor Registration Imposition Amendment (ASIC Fees) Bill 2018
Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Amendment (ASIC Fees) Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)

11 Australian Astronomical Observatory (Transition) Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)

12 Health Legislation Amendment (Improved Medicare Compliance and Other Measures) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)

13 Commerce (Trade Descriptions) Amendment Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)

14 Social Services Legislation Amendment ( Payments for Carers) Bill 2018
15 Corporations (Review Fees) Amendment Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)

16 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Foreign Media Ownership and Community Radio) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

17 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—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)

18 Treasury Laws Amendment (Tax Integrity and Other Measures) Bill 2018—
(Prime Minister, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 June 2018).

19 Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2018
Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2018—
(Prime Minister, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 June 2018).

20 National Housing Finance and Investment Corporation Bill 2018

21 National Consumer Credit Protection Amendment (Mandatory Comprehensive Credit Reporting) Bill 2018

*22 Treasury Laws Amendment (Tax Integrity and Other Measures No. 2) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

23 Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 4) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)

24 Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Specimen Collection Centres) Tax Amendment Bill 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)

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

27 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Amendment Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)

28 Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2018

29 Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing Whistleblower Protections) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (7 December 2017).

30 Communications Legislation Amendment (Deregulation and Other Measures) Bill 2018—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)

31 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (17 October 2017).

32 Treasury Laws Amendment (APRA Governance) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)

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

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

35 Road Vehicle Standards Bill 2018
   Road Vehicle Standards (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018
   Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition—General) Bill 2018
   Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition—Customs) Bill 2018
   Road Vehicle Standards Charges (Imposition—Excise) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 June 2018).

36 Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2018—(Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Senator Scullion)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (26 June 2018).

37 Bankruptcy Amendment (Debt Agreement Reform) Bill 2018—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
38 Bankruptcy Amendment (Enterprise Incentives) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—
(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).

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

40 Primary Industries Research and Development Amendment Bill 2017—
(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 May 2018).

41 Imported Food Control Amendment Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister to the
Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 February 2018).

42 Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate
bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 December 2017).

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

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

45 Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding for Proprietary
Companies) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific,
Senator Fierravanti-Wells)

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

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

48 Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2018—(Minister
for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 May 2018).

Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of
Charge) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific,
Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
49 Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)

50 Treasury Laws Amendment (Illicit Tobacco Offences) Bill 2018—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)

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

52 Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Jobs and Innovation, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator McKim, in continuation, 16 October 2017).

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

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

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

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

57 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Better Targeting Student Payments) Bill 2017—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann)

58 Industrial Chemicals Bill 2017
Industrial Chemicals (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2017
Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Amendment Bill 2017
Industrial Chemicals Charges (General) Bill 2017
Industrial Chemicals Charges (Customs) Bill 2017
Industrial Chemicals Charges (Excise) Bill 2017—(Minister for Defence, Senator Payne)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 October 2017).
59 Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (19 October 2017).

60 Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Accountability and Member Outcomes in Superannuation Measures No. 1) Bill 2017
Superannuation Laws Amendment (Strengthening Trustee Arrangements) Bill 2017—(Senate bills)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator McGrath, in continuation, 4 December 2017).

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

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

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

64 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).

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

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

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

68 Agriculture and Water Resources Legislation Amendment Bill 2016
Excise Levies Legislation Amendment (Honey) Bill 2016—(Minister for Defence, Senator Payne)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2017).

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

70 Migration Amendment (Visa Revalidation and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
71 Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 November 2016).

72 Treasury Laws Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Employer Register) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 May 2018).

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

74 Income Tax Rates Amendment (Working Holiday Maker Reform) Bill 2016
Consideration in committee of the whole of message no. 79 from the House of Representatives (28 November 2016).

75 Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
Income Tax Rates Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017
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, Senator Cormann)

76 National Disability Insurance Scheme Savings Fund Special Account Bill 2016—(Special Minister of State, Senator Ryan)
77 **Governor-General’s Opening Speech**

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Hume—That the following address-in-reply be agreed to:

*To His Excellency the Governor-General*

**MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—**

We, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign and to thank Your Excellency for the speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament *(Minister for Employment (Senator Cash), in continuation, 13 September 2016).*

78 **Budget statement and documents 2018-19**

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

79 **Budget statement and documents 2017-18**

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

**Notice of Motion**

*Notice given 27 June 2018*

*1 Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham): To move—That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:*

  - Corporations Amendment (Asia Region Funds Passport) Bill 2018
  - Farm Household Support Amendment Bill 2018

**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 27 June 2018*

*913 Senator Georgiou: To move—That the Senate—*

(a) notes that:

(i) senators have a duty to act in the interests of both the nation and of the states they represent,

(ii) in 2017-18, the GST (goods and services tax) revenue distribution to Australian states and territories averaged $2,561 per person overall, however Western Australians received just $882 per person, being less than a third of the average,

(iii) no other state or territory received less than $2,200 per person, with Tasmanians receiving $4,624, South Australians $3,690 and Victorians $2,389,
(iv) in 2016-17, Western Australia accounted for 35% of the nation’s exports, and Western Australia is by far the country’s leading state on a balance of payments basis,
(v) every other Australian state is subsidised by Western Australia, and, according to analysis conducted by the Productivity Commission, over $3.6 billion a year is being drained from WA, and
(vi) both Labor and Liberal Western Australian State Governments have called on the Federal Government to increase Western Australia’s GST distribution;
(b) recognises that the government has the power to immediately increase the share of GST revenue that Western Australia receives; and
(c) calls on the government to increase the GST distribution share that Western Australia receives to at least the average level.

*914 Senator Anning: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes:
   (i) the recent spate of horrific violent crimes against women,
   (ii) that the first duty of government is to ensure that its innocent citizens are protected from harm,
   (iii) that police cannot be everywhere at all times, so in order to ensure citizens are protected from harm, all citizens must have the absolute right to self-defence,
   (iv) that the ability of individuals to defend themselves varies with the strength, age, fitness and skill of the individual, with women and the elderly generally more vulnerable,
   (v) that vulnerable people need some form of defence against violent individuals of superior strength,
   (vi) the non-lethal nature of pepper spray, mace and tasers and the fact that prior training or skill is not required to use them for self-defence, and
   (vii) the ease, affordability and convenience of pepper spray, mace and tasers as a means of self-defence by women;
(b) accepts that access to a means of self-protection by women in particular would provide greatly increased security and confidence that they will not become just another assault, rape or murder statistic; and
(c) calls on the Australian Government:
   (i) to allow the importation of pepper spray, mace and tasers for individual self-defence, and
   (ii) to encourage state governments to legalise and actively promote the carrying of pepper spray, mace and tasers by women for personal protection.

*915 Senator Farrell: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence (Senator Payne), by no later than 3.30 pm on 28 June 2018, the schedule of special purpose flights for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2017.

*916 Senator Collins: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) company profits have increased by 5.8 per cent over the year which is almost three times as much as wages,
(ii) penalty rates for 7,277 workers in the electorate of Braddon, and 11,850 workers in the electorate of Longman will decrease again on 1 July 2018, and

(iii) the Turnbull Government continues to hold a policy that would give multinational companies an $80 billion tax cut; and

(b) condemns the Turnbull Government for its failure to support low-paid workers and instead protect the interests of big business.

*917 Senator Griff: To move—That the Senate—

(a) acknowledges that on 25 July 2018 the world’s first IVF (in-vitro-fertilisation) baby, Louise Joy Brown, celebrates her 40th birthday;

(b) notes that:

(i) IVF clinics provide a valuable service to the Australian community,

(ii) there is a lack of publicly available performance data for individual IVF clinics – an annual report is produced by the University of New South Wales’s National Perinatal Epidemiology & Statistics Unit (NPESU) but it only provides a national overview of the performance of participating clinics,

(iii) no clinic-specific information is made public – IVF clinics can choose what information they disclose, if any, relating to their own success rates,

(iv) according to the 2014 NPESU report, live birth rates between fertility clinics varied from between 9% and 24% for fresh cycles, and in 2012, the difference in live birth rates between clinics was as low as 4% and as high as 31%, the most recent report, for 2015, did not disclose these statistics,

(v) in 2015, Richard Henshaw, a senior fertility expert with the Monash group of IVF clinics told the ABC’s AM program that clinics in the top 25th percentile cost Medicare around $2 million to produce 100 live births, and clinics in the bottom 25th percentile cost Medicare triple that amount to produce 100 live births,

(vi) the average cost of one IVF cycle in Australia (excluding other ancillary treatments) is $9,290, with estimated out of pocket costs being $4,502,

(vii) lack of transparency rewards poor performing clinics while denying consumers the opportunity to make an informed choice about their treatment options,

(viii) in the US, the CDC publishes performance data for 463 IVF clinics in a searchable database, broken down by procedures, pregnancies and live birth rates, and

(ix) in the UK, the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority publishes broad performance data for individual clinics and allows patients to rate clinics and see whether the clinic meets formal inspector standards; and

(c) calls on the Federal Government to work with industry to publish individual clinic performance data in a searchable database to ensure Australian families are able to make an informed choice in relation to their fertility treatment.
*918 Senator O’Sullivan: To move.—That the Senate—

(a) notes with concern:

(i) the current deteriorating economic and political situation in Venezuela, one of the richest countries in Latin America until it turned to socialism in 1999 and embraced anti-private-sector policies, spent recklessly and racked up huge amounts of debt,

(ii) that the GDP of Venezuela has halved over recent years and is predicted to fall a further 15 per cent, unemployment is currently at 30 per cent, hyperinflation is running at 13,000 per cent and the currency has been devalued by 99.9 per cent,

(iii) that the International Monetary Fund has stated that Venezuela is in economic crisis and censured Venezuela for failing to take remedial measures,

(iv) that Human Rights Watch has stated that: no independent government institutions remain to act as a check on executive power and that the Venezuelan government under Maduro and previously under Chávez has stacked the courts with judges who make no pretence of independence; that the government has repressed dissent through often-violent crackdowns on street protests, jailing opponents, and prosecuting civilians in military courts and has also stripped power from the opposition-led legislature; due to severe shortages of medicines, medical supplies and food, many Venezuelans cannot adequately feed their families or access the most basic healthcare; that in response to the human rights and humanitarian crisis, hundreds of thousands of Venezuelans are fleeing the country; and that other persistent concerns include poor prison conditions, impunity for human rights violations, and harassment by government officials of human rights defenders and independent media outlets,

(v) that Amnesty International has reported that Venezuela remained in a state of emergency, repeatedly extended since January 2016; a National Constituent Assembly was elected without the participation of the opposition; the Attorney General was dismissed under irregular circumstances; security forces continued to use excessive and undue force to disperse protests; hundreds of people were arbitrarily detained; that there were many reports of torture and other ill-treatment; including sexual violence against demonstrators; the judicial system continued to be used to silence dissidents, including using military jurisdiction to prosecute civilians; human rights defenders were harassed, intimidated and subject to raids; conditions of detention were extremely harsh; the food and health crises continued to worsen, especially affecting children, people with chronic illness and pregnant women; and that the number of Venezuelans seeking asylum in other countries increased,

(vi) that the United Nations High Commissioner on Human Rights, Mr Zeid Ra’ad Al-Hussein, has said Venezuela’s presidential election did not in any way fulfil minimal conditions for free and credible elections and that his office had received credible reports of hundreds of extra-judicial killings in recent years, both during protests and security operations; and
(b) condemns calls by divisions of the Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union (CFMEU) and the Maritime Union of Australia (MUA) to support the brutal and corruptly elected regime in Venezuela and calls on the Australian Council of Trade Unions to do the same.

*919 Senator Patrick: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) on 20 June 2018, the Senate agreed to an order for production of documents directed at the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry (Senator Payne) for the following from the Final Cost Estimate Template that DCNS submitted in response to the Future Submarine Competitive Evaluation Process:
   (A) the summary sheet total ‘Australian Build Price’, and
   (B) the total sustainment cost from year one to year 40 including labour, material and other costs,

(ii) the Minister has not tabled the information and has advanced a claim of public interest immunity on the basis that the material is commercially confidential,

(iii) it is a long accepted view that total values are not commercial in confidence, noting the following:
   (A) total costs that do not detail the scope of supply and/or services offered do not reveal any commercially sensitive information,
   (B) AUSTENDER publishes total costs of all contracts,
   (C) on 3 April 2018, the Department of Defence publicly released the total offer price in Luerssen’s Offshore Patrol Vessel tender responses,
   (D) the numbers sought in the order are for prices for a pre-concept design to meet purported unique requirements of the Royal Australian Navy’s submarine force, not a real submarine design,
   (E) the Department of Defence recognises the pre-concept design numbers in the tender response bear little resemblance to the likely cost of the submarines and their sustainment, which will be finalised in 2022 following the conclusion of a critical design project review,
   (F) the prices being requested are not subject to any tender or ongoing negotiations,
   (G) the future submarine CEP tender documents provided to DCNS stated that the Contractor acknowledges that as a Commonwealth agency, the Commonwealth is subject to legislative and administrative accountability and transparency requirements of the Commonwealth, including disclosures to Ministers and other Government representatives, Parliament and its committees, and
   (H) total cost information is information to which the Senate must have access to ensure it can properly perform its oversight functions; and
(b) does not accept the public interest immunity claim made by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry in relation to the order for production of documents numbered 862, and requires the Minister to table documents in full compliance with order for the production of documents numbered 862 by the conclusion of business on 28 June 2018.

*920 Senator Anning: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry (‘the Royal Commission’) has received more than 6800 submissions,

(ii) the Royal Commission is underfunded and does not have adequate time to hear submissions from many regional farmers, and

(iii) as reported in *The Australian* on 26 June 2018, the Royal Commission’s Letters Patent are drafted in a way that excludes receivers, administrators and insolvency professionals who often act unconscionably and unethically towards farmers; and

(b) calls on the government to:

(i) facilitate the amendment of the Letters Patent to include examination of the conduct of administrators, receivers, controllers, restructuring advisors, turnaround advisors, pre-insolvency advisors or insolvency practitioners, particularly when these entities act against farmers,

(ii) extend the final reporting period by 12 months to enable the Royal Commission to hear more submissions, and

(iii) increase funding to the Royal Commission to enable it to hear more submissions.

*921 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the Senate—

(a) considers that all governmental agencies, when invited, should seek to participate willingly and transparently with the ongoing South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Royal Commission; and

(b) condemns the government for its decision to prevent the Murray-Darling Basin Authority from appearing before the South Australian Murray-Darling Basin Royal Commission.

*922 Senator Anning: To move—That the Senate recognises the significant threat posed by China to the national security and democratic process of Australia.

*923 Senators Whish-Wilson, Burstow, Hinch, Anning, Patrick, Leyonhjelm and Georgiou: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that, at the Brisbane hearings of the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry, Commissioner Hayne has:

(i) stated that not everyone who wants their case to be dealt with publicly will be called before the Royal Commission, and

(ii) stated that examination of farm finance case studies was going to take longer than expected, and has delayed examination of natural disaster insurance cases as a result;
(b) notes that the above illustrates that the Royal Commission has not been given sufficient time to properly examine all of the issues within its terms of reference; and

(c) calls upon the government to extend the Royal Commission by a period of at least twelve months.

*925 Senators Cormann, Wong, Payne, Farrell, Hinch, Griff, Bernardi, Hanson, Burston and Anning: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) Australian and United States (US) troops first fought together in and won the Battle of Hamel on the Western Front in France on 4 July 1918, under the command of Australian General John Monash,

(ii) the hard fought victory achieved by the combined forces at Hamel helped turn the tide of World War I,

(iii) Australia has fought together with the US in every major conflict since 1918,

(iv) more than 100,000 Australian service members have given the ultimate sacrifice alongside fellow servicemen and women from the US,

(v) Australia and the United States of America officially established bilateral diplomatic relations on 8 January 1940,

(vi) Australia and the US formalised their security alliance with the signing of the Australia, New Zealand, United States Security Treaty, at San Francisco on 1 September 1951 (commonly known as the ANZUS Treaty),

(vii) the ANZUS Treaty was invoked for the first and only time in response to the terrorist attacks on the US on 11 September 2001,

(viii) Australia and the US share information essential for security and defence through the Five Eyes intelligence alliance,

(ix) the Force Posture Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the United States of America, made on 12 August 2014 in Sydney, enables closer security and defence cooperation between the two allies,

(x) Australia and the US conduct diverse joint military exercises and training to enhance capabilities throughout the world, and Australia hosts US Marines at bases in the Northern Territory,

(xi) Australia and the US work closely in a number of international fora, including the Group of Twenty (G20),

(xii) the Australia–United States Free Trade Agreement, signed on 18 May 2004 in Washington, came into effect on 1 January 2005,

(xiii) Australia and the US conduct $68.5 billion in two way trade and have an investment relationship valued at $1.6 trillion, and

(xiv) 4 July 2018 marks the 100-year anniversary of the Battle of Hamel and serves as the date on which Australia and the US celebrate the first 100 years of Mateship;

(b) commemorates the 100-year anniversary of the Battle of Hamel, forging the unique and enduring relationship between Australia and the US;

(c) reaffirms the strong military alliance between Australia and the US; and
(d) supports continued diplomatic, security, and economic cooperation between Australia and the US.

*926 Senator Burston: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources (Senator Canavan), by no later than 10 am on 20 July 2018, all documents and correspondence:

(a) relating to the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources 2016-2017 assessment of NSW compliance with the National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling;

(b) from the Murray-Darling Basin Authority to the NSW Government or the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources relating to the 2016-2017 assessment of NSW compliance with the National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling; and

(c) from the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder to the NSW Government or the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources relating to the 2016-2017 assessment of NSW compliance with the National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray-Darling.

DOCUMENTS

Orders of the Day relating to Documents

1 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 July to 30 September 2017
   Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

2 Australian Energy Market Commission and Climate Change Authority—Report—Towards the next generation: delivering affordable, secure and lower emissions power—Government response
   Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

3 Murray-Darling Basin Authority—Basin Plan Evaluation, 2017
   Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

4 Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Act 2016—Report by the Commonwealth Ombudsman for the period 1 April 2017 to 30 June 2017
   Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

5 Status of government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 31 March 2018
   Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

6 Treasury Laws Amendment (2017 Measures No. 5) Bill 2017—Supplementary explanatory memorandum
   Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).
7 Queensland Teachers’ Union—Resolution agreed to on 20 March 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the General Secretary, Queensland Teachers Union (Mr Moloney)
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

8 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 October to 31 December 2017
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

9 Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918—Redistribution into electoral divisions—Queensland—Report, together with composite map and compact disc of supporting information
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

10 Migration Act 1958—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Commonwealth Ombudsman’s reports nos 10 to 12 of 2018, and government responses to the reports
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

11 National Broadband Network—Order agreed to on 9 May 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield), responding to the order
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

12 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 2018
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

13 Clean Energy Regulator—Renewable Energy Target administrative report for 2017
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

14 International Labour Organisation—Submission report on ILO instruments: Employment and Decent Work for Peace and Resilience Recommendation, 2017 (no. 205)
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

15 Office of the National Wind Farm Commissioner—Report for 2017
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

16 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare—Australia’s health 2018—Sixteenth biennial report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

17 Thalidomide—Australian survivors—Government responsibility—Order agreed to on 19 June 2018—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Regional Communications (Senator McKenzie) responding to the order
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).
18 National Rural Health Commissioner—Report for the period 11 November to 31 December 2017
Adjourned debate (25 June 2018).

19 Regional Forest Agreement between the Commonwealth and New South Wales—Second and third five-yearly reviews 2004-2014—Report of the independent reviewer
Consideration (25 June 2018).

20 Surveillance Devices Act 2004—Commonwealth Ombudsman’s report to the Attorney-General on agencies’ compliance for the period 1 July to 31 December 2017
Adjourned debate (25 June 2018).

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

Orders of the Day relating to Committee Reports and Government Responses

*1 Community Affairs References Committee—Science of mitochondrial donation and related matters—Report
Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

*2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Digital delivery of government services—Report
Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

3 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Provision of hearing services under the National Disability Insurance Scheme—Report
Adjourned debate (26 June 2018).

4 Finance and Public Administration References Committee—Report—Arrangements for the postal survey—Government response
Adjourned debate (26 June 2018).

5 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Australia’s trade and investment relationships with the countries of Africa—Report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

7 Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee—Annual report 2016-17
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).
8 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Report—Increasing use of so-called Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

9 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Transitional arrangements for the NDIS—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

11 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Report—Biosecurity risks associated with the importation of seafood and seafood products (including uncooked prawns and uncooked prawn meat) into Australia—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

12 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—Implications of climate change for Australia’s national security—Report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

13 Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—179th report—Reprocessing Nuclear Fuel—France; PACER Plus
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

14 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Provision of services under the NDIS Early Childhood Early Intervention approach—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

15 Red Tape—Select Committee—Effect of red tape on health services—Fifth interim report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

16 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Adequacy of existing offences in the Commonwealth Criminal Code and of state and territory criminal laws to capture cyberbullying—Report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

17 Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory Committee—Inquiry into crystal methamphetamine (ice)—Final report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

18 Community Affairs References Committee—Report—Delivery of outcomes under the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020 to build inclusive and accessible communities—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).
19 Environment and Communications References Committee—Protection of Aboriginal rock art of the Burrup Peninsula—Report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

20 National Broadband Network—Joint Standing Committee—1st report of the 45th Parliament—The rollout of the National Broadband Network—Additional information
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

21 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Provision of services under the NDIS for people with psychosocial disabilities related to a mental health condition—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

22 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Transitional arrangements for the NDIS—Report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

23 Economics References Committee—Interim report—Non-conforming building products: Aluminium composite cladding—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

24 Education and Employment References Committee—Report—Getting our money’s worth: the operation, regulation and funding of private vocational education and training (VET) providers in Australia—Government response
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

26 Community Affairs References Committee—Value and affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs—Progress reports [2] and final report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

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

28 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin—Interim report
Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).
AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS

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

1 Audit-General—Audit report no. 49 of 2017-18—Performance audit—Senate order for departmental and entity contracts (financial year 2016-17 compliance): Across entities
   Adjourned debate (25 June 2018).

2 Audit-General—Audit report no. 50 of 2017-18—Performance audit—Primary healthcare grants under the Indigenous Australians’ Health Program: Department of Health
   Adjourned debate (26 June 2018).

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

*908 Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder—Order for production of documents
   By the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources (Senator Canavan), by no later than 8 pm on 28 June 2018, documents provided as an incoming brief to the Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder, Ms Jody Swirepik. (Motion of Senator Hanson-Young agreed to 27 June 2018.)

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On 29 June 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Encouraging Self-sufficiency for Newly Arrived Migrants) Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 4 July 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the 2018-19 Budget estimates.

On 6 July 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility.
On 13 July 2018
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the 2018-19 Budget estimates.

On 27 July 2018
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On or before 30 July 2018
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples
Interim report to be presented.

On 31 July 2018
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
Report to be presented on the regulation of remotely piloted and unmanned aircraft systems.

On the next day of sitting (13 August 2018)
Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 8 May 2018

1 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—that the Product Emissions Standards Rules 2017, made under the Product Emissions Standards Act 2017, be disallowed [F2018L00021].

Six 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 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
2 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (Protecting Your Superannuation Package) Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Space Activities Amendment (Launches and Returns) Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

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

Government Business—Orders of the Day

1 Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2018
A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018
Medicare Levy Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (18 June 2018).

2 Telecommunications Legislation Amendment Bill 2018—(Senate bill)—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (21 June 2018).

*3 Biosecurity Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

*4 Corporations Amendment (Asia Region Funds Passport) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

*5 Farm Household Support Amendment Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

*6 Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Productivity Commission Response Part 1 and Other Measures) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

*7 Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 3) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

*8 Treasury Laws Amendment (Enhancing ASIC’s Capabilities) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).
**9 Underwater Cultural Heritage Bill 2018**

Underwater Cultural Heritage (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2018—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)

Second reading—Adjourned debate (27 June 2018).

General Business—Notice of Motion

*Notice given 27 June 2018*

**924 Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson):** 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 the level of migration to Australia, and for related purposes. *Plebiscite (Future Migration Level) Bill 2018.*

**On 14 August 2018**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

3 **Obesity epidemic in Australia—Select Committee**
   Report to be presented.

4 **Economics References Committee**
   Report to be presented on the financial and tax practices of for-profit aged care providers.

5 **Community Affairs Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card Trial Expansion) Bill 2018. *(Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)*

6 **Community Affairs Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Maintaining Income Thresholds) Bill 2018. *(Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)*

7 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the 2018-19 Budget estimates.

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 **Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card Trial Expansion) Bill 2018**—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
On 15 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Great Barrier Reef 2050 Partnership Program.

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 26 June 2018

897 Senator Storer: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to taxation, and for related purposes. Treasury Laws Amendment (Improving Energy Efficiency of Rental Properties) Bill 2018.

Four sitting days after today (16 August 2018)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 28 March 2018

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

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On 16 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Air Services Amendment Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 17 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Criminal Code and Other Legislation Amendment (Removing Commonwealth Restrictions on Cannabis) Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 20 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 25 June 2018

1 Senator Siewert: To move—That the following legislative instruments, made under the Social Security (Administration) Act 1999, be disallowed:
   (a) the Social Security (Administration) (Trial of Cashless Welfare Arrangements) Determination 2018, made under [F2018L00245]; and
   (b) the Social Security (Administration) (Trial - Declinable Transactions and Welfare Restricted Bank Account) Determination 2018 [F2018L00251].

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

Notice given 26 June 2018


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

On 21 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the regulatory framework governing water use.
On 22 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Procedure—Standing Committee

Report to be presented on the proposed amendments to standing order 50.

On 23 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee

Report to be presented on PFAS contamination.

On 30 August 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Report to be presented on the safety of pet food.

On 10 September 2018

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 21 June 2018


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

On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2018 (11 September 2018)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2018.

On 11 September 2018

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 26 June 2018

1 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Social Security (Parenting payment participation requirements - classes of persons) Instrument 2018 (No. 1), made under subsection 500(2) of the Social Security Act 1991, be disallowed [F2018L00238].

Fourteen sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.
On 17 September 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the use of anti-malarial drugs in the Australian Defence Force.

On 18 September 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On the last sitting day of September 2018 (20 September 2018)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on industrial deaths in Australia.

On 20 September 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities.

On 15 October 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on the exploitation of cleaners working in retail chains.

On 17 October 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on mental health services in rural and remote Australia.

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian content on broadcast, radio and streaming services.
General Business—Order of the Day

*1 Electric Vehicles—Select committee
   Report to be presented.

   **On 18 October 2018**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the ‘Commitment to the Senate’ issued by the Business Council of Australia.

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

General Business—Order of the Day

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

   **On or before the first sitting Thursday in October 2018 (18 October 2018)**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Charity Fundraising in the 21st Century—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

   **On 15 November 2018**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the banking, insurance and financial services sector.

   **On 28 November 2018**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

   **On the final sitting day of November 2018 (29 November 2018)**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Joint Select Committee
   Report to be presented.
On or before 29 November 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples
   Final report to be presented.

On 29 November 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

On 3 December 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Red Tape—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 4 December 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Commitments for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2018. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s faunal extinction crisis.

On 5 December 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on the mental health of first responders, emergency workers and volunteers.

On 6 December 2018

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on the Franchising Code of Conduct and Oil Code of Conduct.
2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

Report to be presented on the practice of dowry and the incidence of dowry abuse in Australia.

On or before the second sitting Thursday of 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Stillbirth Research and Education—Select Committee

Report to be presented.

On the last sitting day in June 2019

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

Report to be presented on regional inequality in Australia.

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

Order for Production of Documents

1 Rotation of senators—Section 13 of the Constitution—Order for production of documents

That—

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

(b) if such a report is tabled, in relation to any state, then the order of the Senate of 31 August 2016, made pursuant to section 13 of the Constitution, have effect in relation to senators from that state as if a reference to the certificate of election were a reference to the most recent statement of results report. (Motion of the Minister for Education and Training (Senator Birmingham) agreed to 13 February 2018.)
OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Air Services Amendment Bill 2018 ‡
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 28 March 2018; reporting date: 16 August 2018)

Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Commitments for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2018 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 15 February 2018; reporting date: 4 December 2018)

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 18 October 2018)

Criminal Code and Other Legislation Amendment (Removing Commonwealth Restrictions on Cannabis) Bill 2018 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 May 2018; reporting date: 17 August 2018)

Judiciary Amendment (Commonwealth Model Litigant Obligations) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 7 December 2017; reporting date: 27 July 2018)

Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2018
A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge-Fringe Benefits) Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018
Medicare Levy Amendment (Excess Levels for Private Health Insurance Policies) Bill 2018
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred pursuant to the order of the Senate on 19 June 2018; reporting date: 13 August 2018)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card Trial Expansion) Bill 2018 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 21 June 2018; reporting 14 August 2018)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Encouraging Self-sufficiency for Newly Arrived Migrants) Bill 2018 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 28 March 2018; reporting date: 29 June 2018)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Maintaining Income Thresholds) Bill 2018 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 21 June 2018; reporting date: 14 August 2018)

Space Activities Amendment (Launches and Returns) Bill 2018 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 21 June 2018; reporting date: 13 August 2018)
Treasury Laws Amendment (Protecting Your Superannuation Package) Bill 2018 [provisions] ‡ ‡
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‡ Reference adopted by the Senate following a recommendation of the Selection of Bills Committee.

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills

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

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

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

Private senators’ bills

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

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

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

Questions remaining unanswered

Nos 163 to 171, 315, 446, 494, 524, 525, 555, 620, 644, 650, 652, 761, 775, 786, 787, 789, 809 to 814, 816 to 846.

Question nos, as shown, from 163 to 789 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

Adjointment debates—Amendment to standing order 54

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

54 Adjournment without motion

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

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

On Tuesday at the conclusion of debate, and on other days at the expiration of 40 minutes, at the conclusion of debate, or at the time specified for adjournment, whichever is the earlier, or if there is no debate, the President shall adjourn the Senate without putting the question.

(6) On the question for the adjournment of the Senate on Tuesday, a senator shall speak to that question for not more than 5 minutes, except that if no other senator wishes to speak for up to 5 minutes, a senator who has not already spoken may speak for up to 10 minutes.

(Standing order 54 amended upon the adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2018 on 26 June 2018)

Allocation of departments/agencies

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

Community Affairs
  Health
  Human Services
  Social Services
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 and 15 February 2018)

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—2017-18 additional estimates; 2018-19 Budget estimates
(1) That estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2018 be scheduled as follows:

2017-18 additional estimates:
Monday, 26 February and Tuesday, 27 February (Group A)
Wednesday, 28 February and Thursday, 1 March (Group B).

2018-19 Budget estimates:
Monday, 21 May to Thursday, 24 May, and, if required, Friday, 25 May (Group A)
Tuesday, 29 May to Thursday, 31 May and Tuesday, 5 June, and, if required, Friday, 22 June (Group B)
Monday, 22 October and Tuesday, 23 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)
Wednesday, 24 October and Thursday, 25 October (supplementary hearings—Group B).

(1A) That if a committee agrees to sit on 1 June instead of Tuesday, 5 June, then that be allowed if it suits the convenience of the committee.

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

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

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

(5) That committees meet in the following groups:

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

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

(6) That the committees report to the Senate on the following dates:

(a) Tuesday, 27 March 2018 in respect of the 2017-18 additional estimates; and

(b) Tuesday, 26 June 2018 in respect of the 2018-19 Budget estimates.

*(Agreed to 15 November 2017; varied 16 November 2017 in respect of paragraph (1); varied 10 May 2018 in respect of paragraph (1))*

**Estimates—Unanswered questions on notice**

That:

(a) answers be provided by 14 September 2016 to all legislation committees relating to all questions taken on notice by the committees’ predecessor committees with respect to the Additional estimates 2015-16 and the Budget estimates 2016-17, and which remained unanswered at the beginning of the new Parliament; and

(b) for the purposes of standing order 74(5), the day set for answering the question for each of the unanswered questions is 14 September 2016.

*(Agreed to 31 August 2016)*
Legislation committees—References
That—

(1) To ensure appropriate consideration of time critical bills by Senate committees, the provisions of all bills introduced into the House of Representatives after 10 May 2018 and up to and including 31 May 2018 that contain substantive provisions commencing on or before 1 July 2018 (together with the provisions of any related bill) are referred to committees for inquiry and report by 18 June 2018.

(2) The committee to which each bill is referred shall be determined in accordance with the order of 31 August 2016, as amended, allocating departments and agencies to standing committees.

(3) A committee to which a bill has been referred may determine, by unanimous decision, that there are no substantive matters that require examination and report that fact to the Senate.

(4) This order does not apply in relation to bills which contain:
   (a) no provisions other than provisions appropriating revenue or moneys (appropriation bills); and
   (b) commencement clauses providing only for the legislation to commence on Royal Assent.

(Agreed to 9 May 2018)

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Spring sittings (2):**
- Monday, 15 October to Thursday, 18 October
Spring sittings (3):
- Monday, 12 November to Thursday, 15 November
- Monday, 26 November to Thursday, 29 November
- Monday, 3 December to Thursday, 6 December.

(Agreed to 15 November 2017)

Meeting times—Amendment to standing order 55

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

(1) The days and times of meeting of the Senate in each sitting week shall be:

- Monday: 10 am – 6.30 pm, 7.30 pm – 10.30 pm
- Tuesday: 12 pm – adjournment
- Wednesday: 9.30 am – 8 pm
- Thursday: 9.30 am – 8.40 pm

(Standing order 55 amended upon the adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2018 on 26 June 2018)

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

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

(2) This order is of continuing effect.

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

Private senators’ bills—Amendment to standing orders 57 and 59

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

57 Routine of business

(1) The routine of business shall be:

(a) On Monday:
   (i) General business orders of the day for consideration of bills only
       (ia) At 12.20 pm, government business only

(d) On Thursday:
   (i) Government business only
       (ii) At 11.45 am, petitions

...
59 Government and general business

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

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

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

(Standing orders 57 and 59 amended upon the adoption of the recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2018 on 26 June 2018)

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

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

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

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

(Agreed to 8 February 2018)

Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015—Consideration—Hours of meeting and routine of business

That on each sitting day from 14 August 2018 until the Senate adjourns on 16 August 2018:

(a) the Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015 shall have precedence over all government business;

(b) until proceedings on the bill are concluded, the hours of meeting and routine of business shall be varied as follows:

(i) proposals under standing order 75 not be proceeded with,

(ii) on Tuesday, 14 August 2018:

(A) the hours of meeting shall be noon to adjournment,
(B) the routine of business from not later than 7.20 pm shall be consideration of the bill only, and

(C) the Senate shall adjourn, without debate, at 10.30 pm;

(iii) on Wednesday, 15 August 2018:

(A) the hours of meeting shall be 9.30 am to adjournment,
(B) the routine of business from not later than 7.20 pm shall be consideration of the bill only,
(C) the question for the adjournment of the Senate shall be proposed at 9.50 pm, and
(D) the Senate shall adjourn at 10.30 pm;

(iv) on Thursday, 16 August 2018:

(A) the hours of meeting shall be 9.30 am to adjournment,
(B) the routine of business from not later than 4.30 pm shall be consideration of the bill only,
(C) divisions may take place after 4.30 pm, and

the Senate shall adjourn, without debate, after proceedings on the bill are concluded.

(Agreed to 27 June 2018)

Rotation of senators

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

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

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

(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

That—

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

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

(Agreed to 13 February 2018)
Scrutiny of Bills Committee—Standing order 24—Amendment

That:

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

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

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

At the end of paragraph (1), add:

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

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

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

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

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

(Agreed to 29 November 2017)
CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

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

2 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
   Senator Anning
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   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 Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Senator Anning
   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 Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to move an amendment to a motion discovered during formal business)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator moving the amendment to the motion.
Limitation of time

Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
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5 To move (contingent on a minister moving a motion that a bill be considered an urgent bill)—That so much of standing order 142 be suspended as would prevent debate taking place on the motion.

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

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

Matters of urgency

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

9 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
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Order of business

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

Questions without notice

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

Statements

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

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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APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

Advisory Council on Australian Archives
Senator Moore (appointed 15 February 2018, for a period of 3 years).

Council of the National Library of Australia
Senator Moore (appointed 10 November 2016, for a period of 3 years).

Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Trust
Senators Macdonald and Marshall (appointed 23 June 2011; with effect on and from 1 July 2011, and 7 July 2011, respectively).

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- = Date of Senate ½ Cut-Off
- = Senate sitting week only
+ = Additional estimates
++ = Budget estimates
± = Supplementary Budget estimates
ο = Cross portfolio estimates

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