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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.

## Business listed for today

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## Available for debate on Thursdays

- **Private senators’ business**
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## Business listed for future consideration

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

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BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY

GENERAL BUSINESS—CONSIDERATION OF PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS

Orders of the Day

14 Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2013—(Senate bill)—(Senator Hanson-Young)
   Second reading (restored 31 August 2016).

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 14 September 2016

*1 Senators Hanson-Young and Xenophon: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee for inquiry and report by 7 February 2017:
   The proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement, with particular reference to the impact of the agreement on:
   (a) Australia’s economy and trade;
   (b) Australia’s domestic labour market testing obligations and laws regarding wages, conditions and entitlements of Australian workers and temporary work visa holders;
   (c) Australian investment;
   (d) Australia’s social, cultural and environmental policies;
   (e) the effect of Investor-State Dispute Settlement;
   (f) rights for copyright holders;
   (g) rights for consumers; and
   (h) any other related matters.

*2 Senator Siewert: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Community Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 25 November 2016:
   The operation of the Aged Care Funding Instrument, with particular reference to:
   (a) its effectiveness in providing quality care;
   (b) covering costs of care; and
   (c) any other related matters.

*3 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—That the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 8 November 2016:
The nature and scope of the consultations prior to the making of the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016, with particular reference to:

(a) the extent to which any consultation drew on the knowledge or expertise of persons having expertise in the relevant fields;
(b) whether persons likely to be affected by the proposed instrument had adequate opportunity to comment on its content;
(c) the form of the consultation, including whether any written submissions were sought;
(d) the timing of when any consultation occurred; and
(e) any related matter.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Notices of Motion

Notice given 14 September 2016

*1 Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield): To move—That, on Thursday, 15 September 2016:
   (a) the hours of meeting shall be 9.30 am to adjournment; and
   (b) if the Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016 has not been finally considered by 6 pm:
      (i) consideration of committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General’s reports under standing order 62(1) and (2) shall not be proceeded with,
      (ii) the routine of business from not later than 6 pm shall be government business only and the order of the day relating to the Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016 have precedence over all other government business until determined,
      (iii) divisions may take place after 4.30 pm, and
      (iv) the Senate shall adjourn after it has finally considered the bill listed above, or a motion for the adjournment is moved by a minister, whichever is the earlier.

*2 Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield): To move—That consideration of the business before the Senate on Tuesday, 11 October 2016, be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Kakoschke-Moore to make her first speech without any question before the chair.

*3 Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources (Senator Ruston): To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Basin Plan 2012 in relation to the notification of supply and efficiency measures for the adjustment of the long-term average sustainable diversion limits, and for related purposes, Water Legislation Amendment (Sustainable Diversion Limit Adjustment) Bill 2016.
*4 Attorney-General (Senator Brandis): To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the law relating to counter-terrorism, and for related purposes. Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2016.

*5 Attorney-General (Senator Brandis): To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Criminal Code Act 1995, and for other purposes. Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2016.


Orders of the Day

*1 Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann) Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Gallagher, in continuation, 14 September 2016).

(Bill exempted on 13 September 2016 from the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111)

2 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).

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 30 August 2016

13 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—That the Senate—

(a) reaffirms its commitment to the right of all Australians to enjoy equal rights and be treated with equal respect, regardless of race, colour, creed or origin;

(b) reaffirms its commitment to maintaining an immigration policy wholly non-discriminatory on grounds of race, colour, creed or origin;
(c) reaffirms its commitment to the process of reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, in the context of redressing their profound social and economic disadvantage;

(d) reaffirms its commitment to maintaining Australia as a culturally diverse, tolerant and open society, united by an overriding commitment to our nation, and its democratic institutions and values; and

(e) denounces racial intolerance in any form as incompatible with the kind of society we are and want to be.

Notice given 12 September 2016

37 Senators Griff, Xenophon and Kakoschke-Moore: To move—

(1) That the following matter be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters for inquiry and report by 14 March 2017—The funding of, and donations to, political parties and candidates with particular reference to:

(a) foreign political donations;

(b) sources of private (including corporate and union donations) and public funding and contribution limits and caps;

(c) alternative funding practices, including consideration of comparative overseas models operating in Canada and the United Kingdom;

(d) transparency, accountability and reporting measures;

(e) limiting election expenses; and

(f) any related matter.

(2) For the purposes of this inquiry only, participating members may be appointed to the committee on the nomination in the House of Representatives, of the Government or Opposition Whips or any minority group or independent member, and, in the Senate, of the Leader of the Government or Opposition, or any minority group or independent senator, and such participating member:

(a) shall be taken to be a member of the committee for the purposes of forming a quorum if a majority of members of the committee is not present; and

(b) may participate in hearings of evidence and deliberations of the committee and have all rights of a committee member except that a participating member may not vote on any question before the committee.

(3) This resolution be communicated to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

Notice given 14 September 2016

*50 Senators Leyonhjelm and Burston, the Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson), Senator Culleton, the Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch) and Senators Roberts and Day: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Racial Discrimination Act 1975, and for related purposes. Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2016.
*51 Senator Siewert: To move—

(1) That so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent this resolution having effect.

(2) That the following bills be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of each of the bills be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the previous Parliament:

Australian Centre for Social Cohesion Bill 2015
Automotive Transformation Scheme Amendment (Securing the Automotive Component Industry) Bill 2015
Charter of Budget Honesty Amendment (Intergenerational Report) Bill 2015
Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Country of Origin Food Labelling) Bill 2015
End Cruel Cosmetics Bill 2014
Guardian for Unaccompanied Children Bill 2014
Independent National Security Legislation Monitor (Improved Oversight and Resourcing) Bill 2014
Migration Amendment (Free the Children) Bill 2016
Mining Subsidies Legislation Amendment (Raising Revenue) Bill 2014
Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014
National Integrity Commission Bill 2013
Private Health Insurance Amendment (GP Services) Bill 2014
Recognition of Foreign Marriages Bill 2014.

*53 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to protect the Great Australian Bight environment, and for related purposes. **Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016.**

*54 Senator Xenophon: To move—That—

(1) The Senate notes that:

(a) the Government is currently in negotiations with the 45 of 164 World Trade Organisation (WTO) member countries that have acceded to the WTO Government Procurement Agreement, and that Australia is negotiating to accede to the agreement; and

(b) these negotiations are being held in secret but could have profound effects on the ability of future Australian governments to use Government procurement for local industry development.

(2) There be laid on the table by no later than 3 pm on 10 October 2016, by the Minister representing the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, the Australian offer made and responses to date to that offer.

*55 Senator Rhiannon: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) a video in circulation violently threatens a high-profile gun control advocate,

(ii) the individuals in the video have previously been referred to the New South Wales Police for posting violent videos aimed at racial and religious minorities and the Greens, and
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(iii) former Prime Minister John Howard performed a courageous act in 1996 by pursuing national gun law reform; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

(i) maintain and strengthen the National Firearms Agreement,
(ii) commit to a ban on the importation and sale of rapid-fire shot guns, and
(iii) show leadership on firearms similar to that shown by Mr Howard, and work with state governments to have firearms laws amended to provide for the immediate cancellation of a firearms licence and surrender of all weapons when a shooter has displayed threatening, intimidating or offensive behaviour associated with their use of firearms.

*56 Senator Rice: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, by no later than 10 am on 10 October 2016, the following documents relating to the final report commissioned by the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) and prepared by Ernst and Young, entitled Review of CSIRO’s Science Prioritisation and Implementation Process:

(a) the terms of reference for the review; and

(b) any documents, including correspondence, briefs or file notes, held by either CSIRO or the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science.

*57 Senators Moore and Brown: To move—That the Senate—

(a) recognises the immense suffering of survivors of institutional child sexual abuse, and that survivors may be affected by the abuse for their whole lives;

(b) acknowledges that 14 September 2016 marks the one year anniversary of the final report of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse;

(c) calls on the Federal Government to establish a National Redress Scheme for Survivors of Institutional Sexual Abuse, following recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, which include:

(i) the creation of a single national redress scheme, coordinated by the Federal Government, and not outsourcing responsibility to the states, and

(ii) the provision of counselling and financial redress with costs met by the institutions responsible for the perpetrators of the abuse;

(d) notes that:

(i) the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse recommended the Government announce a national redress scheme by the end of 2015 and proceed without delay, and

(ii) the Government did not meet this recommended deadline and any further delay puts at risk the recommended start date of 1 July 2017; and

(e) recommends that the Federal Government consult extensively on further details of a national redress scheme to ensure that it fully meets the ongoing and complex needs of survivors and their families.
*58 Senator Xenophon: To move—That—

(a) the Senate notes that:

(i) the President’s report to the Senate on government responses outstanding to parliamentary committee reports as at 30 June 2016, listed the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on the Australian grape and wine industry as amongst the reports the Government had failed to respond to within the 3 month timeframe, and

(ii) the Government still has not provided a formal response to the committee’s report, although it has been 7 months since the report was tabled; and

(b) there be laid on the table by no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016 by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources the Government’s response to the report of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee on the Australian grape and wine industry, dated 12 February 2016.

*59 Senators Xenophon, Griff and Kakoschke-Moore: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the value of Commonwealth Government procurement contracts in the 2014-2015 financial year was more than $59 billion,

(ii) the current Commonwealth Procurement Rules fail to take into account the social and economic effects of buying and procuring Australian made goods and local services,

(iii) asbestos has been found in building products imported into Australia as part of projects funded by governments, and

(iv) it was disclosed this week, that in April 2015, the Department of Defence awarded a $9 million contract for non-combat uniforms for the Australian Defence Force to a company that will have the uniforms made overseas rather than Australia; and

(b) calls on the Government to amend the Commonwealth Procurement Rules, in order to take into account:

(i) the economic, social and environmental effects of local procurement, including employment outcomes, tax receipts and economic growth,

(ii) the need for Australian Standards to be complied with in any procurement decision, and

(iii) whole of life benefits of a local procurement.
Orders of the Day relating to Government Documents

1 Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice—Additional estimates 2015-16—Statements pursuant to the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014—Foreign Affairs and Trade portfolio; Health portfolio; Tourism Australia
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

2 Regional Forest Agreement between the Commonwealth and Tasmania—Joint Australian and Tasmanian government response to the Review of the implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement for the period 2007 to 2012
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the document (12 September 2016).

3 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Report of case study no. 33—The response of The Salvation Army (Southern Territory) to allegations of child sexual abuse at children’s homes that it operated
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 12 September 2016).

4 Register of Foreign Ownership of Agricultural Land Act 2015—Report of registrations for 2015-16
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 12 September 2016).

5 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare—Australia’s health 2016—Fifteenth biennial report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

6 International Air Services Commission—Report for 2015-16
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Macdonald—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

7 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Report of case study no. 23—The response of Knox Grammar School and the Uniting Church in Australia to child sexual abuse at Knox Grammar School in Wahroonga, New South Wales
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 13 September 2016).

   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 14 September 2016).
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*11 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Reports of case study no. 21—The response of the Satyananda Yoga Ashram at Mangrove Mountain to allegations of child sexual abuse by the ashram’s former spiritual leader in the 1970s and 1980s
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 14 September 2016).

*12 Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Reports of case study no. 30—The response of Turana, Winlaton and Baltara, and the Victoria Police and the Department of Health and Human Services Victoria (and its relevant predecessors)
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 14 September 2016).

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COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

Orders of the Day relating to Committee Reports and Government Responses

1 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Interim report
Consideration (13 September 2016).

2 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Bicycle helmet laws (term of reference d)—Interim report
Consideration (13 September 2016).

3 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Sale and use of marijuana and associated products (term of reference c)—Interim report
Consideration (13 September 2016).

4 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts—Western Sydney Wanderers supporters (term of reference f)—Interim report
Consideration (13 September 2016).

5 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee—Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKenzie—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator McKenzie, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

7 Health—Select Committee—Hospital funding cuts: the perfect storm – The demolition of Federal-State health relations 2014-2016—Final report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Polley—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator O’Neill, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

8 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Conditions and treatment of asylum seekers and refugees at the regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

9 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Establishment of a national registration system for Australian paramedics to improve and ensure patient and community safety—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Polley, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

10 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Need for a nationally-consistent approach to alcohol-fuelled violence—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

11 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts: the classification of publications, films and computer games (term of reference e)—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

12 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts: the sale and use of tobacco, tobacco products, nicotine products and e-cigarettes (term of reference a)—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

13 Economics References Committee—Personal choice and community impacts: sale and service of alcohol (term of reference b)—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

14 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Report—Industry structures and systems governing the imposition and disbursement of marketing and research and development (R&D) levies in the agriculture sector—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKenzie—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator McKenzie, in continuation, 1 September 2016).
15 Community Affairs References Committee—Report—Palliative care in Australia—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Polley—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Polley, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

16 Economics References Committee—Report—Interest rates and informed choice in the Australian credit card market—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

17 Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee—Jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (1 September 2016).

18 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—A world without the death penalty: Australia’s advocacy for the abolition of the death penalty—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (1 September 2016).

19 Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Seasonal change: Inquiry into the Seasonal Worker Programme—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (1 September 2016).

20 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Accommodation for people with disabilities and the NDIS—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Urquhart, in continuation, 1 September 2016).

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AUDITOR-GENERAL’S REPORTS

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

1 Auditor-General—Audit reports no. 10 of 2016-7—Performance audit—Award of funding under the Mobile Black Spot Programme: Department of Communications and the Arts
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Bilyk—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Bilyk, in continuation, 12 September 2016).

2 Auditor-General—Audit report no. 16 of 2016-17—Performance audit—Offshore Processing Centres in Nauru and Papua New Guinea: Procurement of garrison support and welfare services: Department of Immigration and Border Protection
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Gallacher—That the Senate take note of the document (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 13 September 2016).
BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On 10 October 2016

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 13 September 2016

1 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—That the Legal Services Amendment (Solicitor-General Opinions) Direction 2016, made under the Judiciary Act 1903, be disallowed [F2016L00645].

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

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 14 September 2016

*52 Senator Polley: To move—That the Senate—

(a) recognises that:
  (i) World Mental Health Day takes place on 10 October,
  (ii) Mental Health Week will take place in Australia from 9 to 15 October, and
  (iii) both World Mental Health Day and Mental Health Week seek to encourage help-seeking behaviour, reduce the stigma associated with mental health issues and foster connections through communities;
(b) acknowledges the importance of World Mental Health Day and other campaigns, including R U OK? Day in Australia and World Suicide Prevention Day, that:
  (i) help build community awareness about mental health issues, and
  (ii) help build community awareness around suicide prevention and encourage people to have regular and meaningful conversations with family, friends and colleagues;
(c) recognises the efforts of dedicated individuals and organisations working to address mental health issues and suicide prevention;
(d) notes with concern that suicide rates remain unacceptably high, and that in Australia:
  (i) suicide is the leading cause of death for men and women between the ages of 15 and 44,
(ii) each day seven people die by suicide and 30 attempt suicide,
(iii) higher rates of suicide exist among vulnerable groups, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, young people and people from lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) communities,
(iv) the annual number of deaths by suicide is around 2,500,
(v) each year it is estimated that 65,000 people attempt suicide, and
(vi) the annual suicide toll is now twice the annual road toll; and

calls on the Government to show leadership around suicide prevention, including working in a bipartisan approach to adopt the National Mental Health Commission’s target to reduce suicide by 50 per cent over the next 10 years.

Orders for Production of Documents

39 Relocation of Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority from Canberra to Armidale—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by no later than 4 pm on 10 October 2016, documents relating to the relocation from Canberra to Armidale of the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority. (Motion of Senator Rice agreed to 13 September 2016.)

40 Government response to committee report—Order for production of document
By the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016, the Government’s response to the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on stormwater management, dated 2 December 2015. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 13 September 2016.)

41 Government response to committee report—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Aged Care, by no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016, the Government’s response to the report of the Community Affairs References Committee on the availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia, dated 17 September 2015. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 13 September 2016.)

*45 Government response to committee report—Order for production of document
By the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, by no later than 3.30 pm on 10 October 2016, the Government’s response to the report of the Economics References Committee on the future of Australia’s automotive industry, dated 1 December 2015. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 14 September 2016.)
On 11 October 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016 and the National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016.

On 12 October 2016

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 30 August 2016

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

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

On 13 October 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
Report to be presented on the planned acquisition of the Joint Strike Fighter.

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 12 September 2016

34 Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—That the order of the Senate of 21 March 2002 restricting photography in the Senate chamber ceases to have effect on and from 10 October 2016.

On 14 October 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee

2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 7 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 14 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 21 November 2016

Order for Production of Documents

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

On 23 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

On 24 November 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on 2016 Census.
On 29 November 2016
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 30 November 2016
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 1 December 2016
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 24 February 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

*1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian dairy industry.

On the second last sitting day in February 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the commercial use of Tasmanian bumblebees.

On the second last sitting day in March 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight.

On 30 March 2017
Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian veterans.
On the last sitting day in March 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 28 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 30 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 7 November 2016)

Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [provisions]‡
Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 14 October 2016)

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

Fair Work Amendment (Respect for Emergency Services Volunteers) Bill 2016 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 10 October 2016)

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 14 October 2016)
Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015†
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 13 October 2016)

National Cancer Screening Register Bill 2016 [provisions]
National Cancer Screening Register (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2016 [provisions]
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 13 September 2016; reporting date: 11 October 2016)

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

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered
Nos 1 to 22, 24 to 72 and 74 to 107.
The full text of Questions on Notice and their answers are available online at www.aph.gov.au/qon.

ORDERS OF THE SENATE

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

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

Community Affairs
  Health
  Social Services, including Human Services

Economics
  Industry, Innovation and Science
  Treasury

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

*(Agreed to 30 August 2016)*

**Estimates—Unanswered questions on notice**

That:

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

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

*(Agreed to 30 August 2016)*

**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:

- Wednesday, 31 August 2016—Senator Hume
- Thursday, 1 September 2016—Senators Dodson and Duniam
- Monday, 12 September 2016—Senator Hinch
- Tuesday, 13 September 2016—Senators Roberts and Watt
- Wednesday, 14 September 2016—Senators Hanson and McCarthy
- Wednesday, 12 October 2016—Senator Chisholm

*(Agreed to 31 August, 1 September and 12 September 2016)*
Legislation—Exemption of bills from the cut-off order
That the provisions of paragraph (6) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:
- Budget Savings (Omnibus) Bill 2016
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Country of Origin) Bill 2016
- Corporations Amendment (Auditor Registration) Bill 2016
- Customs Tariff Amendment (Tobacco) Bill 2016
- Excise Tariff Amendment (Tobacco) Bill 2016
- Statute Law Revision (Spring 2016) Bill 2016
- Statute Update Bill 2016
(Agreed to 13 September 2016)

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

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

Spring sittings (2):
- Monday, 10 October to Thursday, 13 October

Spring sittings (3):
- Monday, 7 November to Thursday, 10 November
- Monday, 21 November to Thursday, 24 November
- Monday, 28 November to Thursday, 1 December.
(Agreed to 31 August 2016)

Ministerial statements—Consideration—Temporary order
That the following amendment to standing order 169 operate as a temporary order until 30 June 2017:
At the end of standing order 169, add:
(3) If a ministerial statement is presented to or tabled in the Senate other than in accordance with standing order 61, it shall be in order for a senator to move a motion without notice to take note of the statement. On any such motion, a senator may speak for not more than 10 minutes and paragraph (2) applies to the total time limit for individual or successive motions.
(Agreed to 31 August 2016; originally agreed to 11 November 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s third report of 2015)
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)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

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

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

Formal business

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

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

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

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

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

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

Senator Lambie

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

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

Matters of urgency

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

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

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

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

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

   Senator Lambie

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

Questions without notice

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

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

Statements

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

   To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to make a statement to the
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   senator making that statement.
Tabling of documents

16 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
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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.

ROSEMARY LAING
Clerk of the Senate

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- ± = Supplementary Budget estimates
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