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Temporary Chairs of Committees
Senators Bernardi, Gallacher, Ketter, Leyonhjelm, Marshall, O’Sullivan, Reynolds, Sterle,
Whish-Wilson and Williams

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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

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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

PRIVATE SENATORS’ BILLS

Orders of the Day

60 A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Amendment (Make Electricity GST Free) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senator Leyonhjelm)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Leyonhjelm, in continuation, 5 September 2017)

*61 Aged Care Amendment (Ratio of Skilled Staff to Care Recipients) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch))
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Hinch, in continuation, 6 September 2017)

BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 5 September 2017

1 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the following matters be referred to the Procedure Committee for inquiry and report by third sitting day of August 2018:
The need for a parliamentary code of conduct relating to cultural diversity, including:
   (a) whether a code of conduct for senators is required;
   (b) what matters a code of conduct should deal with;
   (c) whether the code of conduct should be enforceable, including whether standing order 193 should be amended to prevent adverse reflections on individuals or communities on the basis of their colour, national or ethnic origin, culture or religious belief; and
   (d) other related matters.

Notice given 6 September 2017

*2 Senator Kakoschke-Moore: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 29 November 2017:
The adequacy of existing offences in the Commonwealth Criminal Code and of state and territory criminal laws to capture cyberbullying, including:
   (a) the broadcasting of assaults and other crimes via social media platforms;
(b) the application of section 474.17 of the Commonwealth Criminal Code “Using a carriage service to menace, harass or cause offence”, and the adequacy of the penalty, particularly where the victim of cyberbullying has self-harmed or taken their own life;
(c) the adequacy of the policies, procedures and practices of social media platforms in preventing and addressing cyberbullying;
(d) other measures used to combat cyberbullying predominantly between school children and young people; and
(e) any other related matter.

Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Defence Force) Bill 2017
In committee (6 September 2017).

2 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)

3 Liquid Fuel Emergency Amendment Bill 2017—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 September 2017).

4 Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017

5 Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (10 October 2016).

*6 International Monetary Agreements Amendment (New Arrangements to Borrow) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 September 2017).
7 Australian Citizenship Legislation Amendment (Strengthening the Requirements for Australian Citizenship and Other Measures) Bill 2017—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fierravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (15 August 2017).

8 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Broadcasting Reform) Bill 2017
Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) Bill 2017
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

9 Treasury Laws Amendment (2017 Enterprise Incentives No. 2) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

10 Regional Investment Corporation Bill 2017—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (4 September 2017).

*11 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Competition Policy Review) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (6 September 2017).

12 Civil Law and Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 March 2017).

13 Prime Minister and Cabinet Legislation Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017—(Minister for Employment, Senator Cash)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 August 2017).

14 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).

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

16 Privacy Amendment (Re-identification Offence) Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (12 October 2016).

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

18 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).

19 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).
20 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016
Second reading—Adjourned debate (1 December 2016).

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

22 Superannuation (Objective) Bill 2016—(Minister for International Development and the Pacific, Senator Fiaerravanti-Wells)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 November 2016).

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

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

25 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).

26 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).

Notices of Motion

Notice given 4 September 2017

1 Minister for Defence (Senator Payne): To move—That, in accordance with section 5 of the Parliament Act 1974, the Senate approves the following proposals by the National Capital Authority for capital works within the Parliamentary Zone:
   (a) installation of two new signs at Questacon;
   (b) extension of the International Flag Display and upgrade to existing lighting; and
   (c) installation of 40 timber bench seats at Commonwealth Place jetties.
   Notice given 6 September 2017

*2 Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister (Senator McGrath): 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:
   Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017
   Defence Legislation Amendment (2017 Measures No. 1) Bill 2017
Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017
Imported Food Control Amendment Bill 2017
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017
Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017
Statute Update (Smaller Government) Bill 2017
Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment (Omnibus) Bill 2017.

GENERAL BUSINESS

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

Notices of Motion

Notice given 16 August 2017

436 Senator Rice: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to repeal the Regional Forest Agreements Act 2002, and for related purposes. Regional Forest Agreements Legislation (Repeal) Bill 2017.

Notice given 6 September 2017

*465 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the resolution of 17 August 2017 establishing the Select Committee into the Political Influence of Donations, be amended as follows:

omit paragraph (1), substitute:

“That a select committee, to be known as the Select Committee into the Political Influence of Donations, be established to inquire into and report, on 7 December 2017, on the following matters:”

*466 Senator Singh: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that, on 30 August 2017, an agreement regarding the legal status of maritime boundaries in the Timor Sea was concluded between Australia and Timor-Leste;
(b) acknowledges that this agreement was reached as a result of Timor-Leste’s invocation of the compulsory conciliation procedures in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS);
(c) further acknowledges:
   (i) the significance of Australia’s ongoing relationship with Timor-Leste,
   (ii) the capacity for that relationship to contribute positively to regional prosperity and stability, and
   (iii) the potential for this agreement to resolve more than 40 years of tension and uncertainty between Australia and Timor-Leste, serving as a catalyst for a new era of collaboration and cooperation;
(d) recognises and affirms:
(i) the importance of a rules-based international order to the maintenance of international peace and security,
(ii) the capacity for instruments, such as UNCLOS, to contribute to the preservation of that order, by facilitating peaceful resolutions to disputes between states, and
(iii) the necessity of cooperative state engagement with the procedures of international law to that law’s successful operation; and

(c) calls upon the Government to adhere to and implement in good faith the terms of this agreement.

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

(a) acknowledges:
   (i) the important work early childhood educators and childcare staff around the country do in helping care for our young children,
   (ii) that early childhood education and care (ECEC) is a critical component of lifelong learning,
   (iii) that ECEC workers are trusted and skilled carers and educators, and
   (iv) that ECEC educators and staff, earning as low as $21 per hour, are underpaid for the important job they dedicate their lives to; and

(b) supports:
   (i) the early childhood educators and workers taking part in the largest walk-off industrial action on 7 September 2017, and
   (ii) a 35 per cent pay increase to ECEC educators’ and workers’ salaries.

*468 Senator McKim: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:
   (i) the deeply concerning reports of the continued persecution of the Rohingya people in Rakhine State in Myanmar, including estimates of the deaths of at least 400 people since violence erupted again in August, and the displacement of more than 120,000 Rohingya,
   (ii) that many Rohingya people are dying as they flee Myanmar to Bangladesh, including the tragic recent case of 26 refugees, mainly women and children, who drowned while attempting to escape the violence,
   (iii) that the latest violence continues a pattern of coordinated and systematic attacks on Rohingya people, documented by Human Rights Watch earlier this year, of arbitrary arrests, extrajudicial killings, and sexual violence, including the rape of women and girls,
   (iv) that in March, the United Nations Human Rights Council agreed to send an international fact-finding mission to investigate alleged atrocities “with a view to ensuring full accountability for perpetrators and justice for victims”, and Australia co-sponsored this resolution,
   (v) that the Australian Senate unanimously supported the Australian Government’s consideration of the fact-finding mission in a motion of 16 February 2017, and
(vi) the concerning news that the Myanmar Government is refusing to grant visas to members of the fact-finding mission; and

(b) urges the Australian Government to:
(i) call on the Myanmar Government and armed groups to stop attacking civilians,
(ii) call on the Myanmar Government to urgently grant access to independent monitors to investigate allegations of serious human rights abuses,
(iii) call on the Myanmar Government to allow humanitarian agencies unfettered access to Rakhine State, and
(iv) urgently increase the number of places available to Rohingya refugees.

*469 Senator Smith: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:
(i) the invaluable contribution Rotary International has made since 1978 to tackle global Poliomyelitis (polio) eradication, a paralysing and potentially fatal disease that still threatens many children in some parts of the world,
(ii) that, since the launch of Rotary International’s PolioPlus program in 1985, Rotary has contributed more than $1.7 billion and countless volunteer hours to immunise more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries,
(iii) that, thanks to the success of this program, there are now just 3 polio endemic countries with 37 wild polio cases worldwide in 2016, which is a reduction of more than 99.9 per cent since 1988, when there were 350,000 polio cases, and
(iv) that, thanks to Rotary’s advocacy efforts, donor governments, including Australia, have contributed more than $7.2 billion to the global eradication of polio; and

(b) recognises that:
(i) the Australian Government’s current commitment to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) is $54 million over six years (2015 to 2020), which builds on the $50 million provided to GPEI between 2011-2015, taking Australia’s total commitment to GPEI, since 2011, to $104 million,
(ii) Australia is providing $36 million over four years (2015-16 to 2018-19) to the World Bank to support countries in Southeast Asia and the Pacific to strengthen their immunisation systems, including for the introduction of the Inactivated Polio Vaccine (IPV), a key component of the global polio eradication strategy,
(iii) the Government’s dual investment approach allows Australia to contribute to global efforts to eradicate polio, and protect our region from the risk of polio re-emerging, and
(iv) Australia also supports routine immunisation through its contributions to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance ($250 million pledged for 2016-2020), UNICEF ($21 million in 2016-17), and the World Health Organization ($12.4 million voluntary contribution in 2016-17).
Senator Rice: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) National Threatened Species Day is marked today, 7 September 2017, the anniversary of the day that the last Thylacine (or Tasmanian Tiger) went extinct in 1936 in a Hobart zoo,
   (ii) in Australia, we have one of the world’s worst extinction rates for our native mammals, with 29 species going extinct since European settlement and that number representing a third of all global mammalian extinctions in the last 600 years,
   (iii) 20 per cent of Australia’s remaining mammal species are classified as threatened, including iconic species like koalas, wombats, bilbies and Tasmanian devils,
   (iv) globally, we are living through what scientists are calling the Holocene extinction, which is the sixth greatest extinction event since life began on earth and is being caused by human activity, and
   (v) there is good work being done in our community to save our native wildlife, but that more needs to be done by our governments to address the biodiversity crisis, including by tackling key threatening processes, including land clearing, logging and pest animal and plant species; and

(b) calls on the Government to take decisive action to properly fund and support biodiversity research and conservation, and stop the trajectory of animal and plant extinctions in Australia.

Senator O’Neill: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:
   (i) 10 September is World Suicide Prevention Day,
   (ii) the theme for 2017 is ‘Take a Minute, Change a Life’ and aims to complement the work undertaken by RUOK? Day that encourages people to take the time to notice what is going on with your family, friends, colleagues and yourself,
   (iii) 14 September is RUOK? Day – this is a day that reminds people that they have got what it takes to start a meaningful conversation if they are worried about someone and includes four steps: 1. Ask, 2. Listen, 3. Encourage action, 4. Check-in,
   (iv) that in 2015, 3 027 Australians lost their lives to suicide – this represents the highest suicide rate in 15 years and is an average of 8.3 deaths by suicide every day, and
   (v) that suicide is the leading cause of death for Australians aged 15 to 44 – these statistics are heartbreaking and confronting; and

(b) urges all levels of government and the community to work together to:
   (i) reduce the impact of mental ill health and suicide in our society,
   (ii) continue to work towards reducing stigma associated with mental ill health, and
   (iii) help raise community awareness around suicide prevention.
Senator Kakoschke-Moore: To move—

(1) That the Senate notes that:

(a) during the Senate inquiry into the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017, Professor Alison Ritter, Director, Drug Policy Modelling Program, National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre, told Senator Kakoschke-Moore: “There was a model that I worked on to develop state-by-state estimates of unmet demand for alcohol and other drug treatment. Those data are theoretically available. The Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy said we were not able to release those results and they were not to be made available to anyone who requested them”;

(b) Professor Ritter advised the direction to not make the model public occurred in 2014 and again “about 12 months ago”; and

(c) Professor Ritter went on to state: “In my opinion, the concern from the ministerial council was that it would identify the substantial responsibility that the states and territories and the Commonwealth Government needed to start to take in relation to the appalling situation in relation to drug treatment”.

(2) That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, by the close of business on 13 September 2017:

(a) the model and technical manual which can be used to generate state-by-state estimates of unmet demand for alcohol and drug treatment and rehabilitation services in Australia, which has previously been described as the Drug and Alcohol Clinical Care and Prevention (DA-CCP) Project and the Drug and Alcohol Services Planning Model (DASPM);

(b) any correspondence between the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre and the Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy regarding the release of the model and technical manual known as the DA-CCP and DASPM; and

(c) any other documentation relating to use of the model, including any reports and data produced by the Commonwealth using the model.

Senator Gallagher: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes Government policy inaction is driving up electricity prices, and a Clean Energy Target is the solution to crippling policy paralysis;

(b) observes that the Government refuses to act, citing any and all excuse to delay, when everyone knows it is internal Coalition division and the weakness of the Prime Minister that are really to blame; and

(c) recognises that Australians deserve real leadership on energy and it is clearer every day that they will not get it from Prime Minister Turnbull.


(a) acknowledges that:

(i) victims and survivors of sexual and family violence should be able to gain access to the highest standard of professional counselling support,
(ii) 1800 RESPECT, a national telephone and online counselling service for people living with sexual assault and family violence, is an important part of the national response to family and domestic violence,

(iii) since the establishment of the 1800 RESPECT service, Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia has provided specialist sexual assault and domestic violence trauma counselling for the service, and

(iv) Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia, which has operated for almost 50 years, has achieved international recognition for its expertise in its field;

(b) notes that:

(i) Medibank Health Solutions (MHS), a for-profit company, receives public funds to administer 1800 RESPECT,

(ii) MHS recently announced that the service previously provided by Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia would now be provided by four organisations, three of which have not previously provided trauma counselling for the 1800 RESPECT service,

(iii) the consequence of this decision is a 75 per cent reduction in the public funding provided to Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia via MHS for the provision of the 1800 RESPECT service, as that organisation becomes one of four providers, rather than the sole provider, and

(iv) in those circumstances, the Board of Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia has decided not to accept the proposed Medibank Health Solutions contract, which the Board states does not provide sufficient funding to enable Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia to provide the service, and imposes obligations which the Board considers unethical; and

(c) calls upon the Prime Minister to ensure that victims and survivors of family and domestic violence continue to have access to best practice specialist sexual assault and family violence trauma counselling services, as previously provided by Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia.

*475 Senators Singh and Watt: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes with grave concern that, since 25 August 2017, conflict between Rohingya Muslims and armed forces in Myanmar’s Rakine State has:

(i) caused the death of close to 400 people, almost all of them minorities in Rakine State, many of whose bodies are reported to have since been burned,

(ii) forced around 87 000 minorities in Rakine State, to flee to Bangladesh, with at least another 20 000 detained at the border,

(iii) led to the total destruction by Myanmar’s armed forces of 17 former minorities in Rakine State villages, and

(iv) prevented United Nations aid agencies from delivering crucial supplies of food, water and medicine to the region;
(b) further notes that:
   (i) Myanmar’s Rakhine State is home to more than 1.1 million
       Rohingya, most of whom live in tented camps and rely on United
       Nations aid for survival,
   (ii) the minority populations in Rakhine State of Myanmar have for some
       time been subjected to mass rapes, killings, brutal beating, torching
       of homes and forced disappearance, as detailed by United Nations
       investigators in 2016, and
   (iii) more than 500 000 people from the minorities in Rakhine State are
       already living in Bangladesh, which itself is home to widespread
       poverty and inequality;

(c) echoes:
   (i) the Minister for Foreign Affairs’ (Ms Bishop) expressions of deep
       concern regarding the ongoing tensions between minorities in
       Rakhine State and Myanmar’s security forces, and
   (ii) the United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres’
       condemnation of violence in Rakhine State, and his calls for all
       communities in the region to choose a path of peace; and

(d) calls upon the Government of Myanmar to recommit to the pursuit of peace
   and national reconciliation.

DOCUMENTS

Order of the Day relating to Documents

1 China—Report of the Australian Parliamentary Delegation, 26 June to 1 July
   2017
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Watt—That the Senate take note of the
document (Senator Smith, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES

Orders of the Day relating to Committee Reports and Government
Responses

1 Economics References Committee—Report—Future of Australia’s
   automotive industry: Driving jobs and investment—Government response
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Carr—That the Senate take note of the
document (Senator Carr, in continuation, 4 September 2017).

2 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee—Modern
   slavery and global supply chains: Inquiry into establishing a modern Slavery
   Act in Australia—Interim report
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of
the report (Senator Singh, in continuation, 5 September 2017).
*3 Economics References Committee—Non-conforming building products: Aluminium composite cladding—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Ketter)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Curr, in continuation, 6 September 2017).

*4 Education and Employment References Committee—Corporate avoidance of the Fair Work Act 2009—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Marshall)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Marshall, in continuation, 6 September 2017).

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Siewert—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Dastyari, in continuation, 6 September 2017).

6 Strengthening Multiculturalism—Select Committee—Ways of protecting and strengthening Australia’s multiculturalism and social inclusion—Final report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator McKim—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator McKim, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

7 Economics References Committee—Australia’s dairy industry: rebuilding trust and a fair market for farmers—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Ketter)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Ketter, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

8 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—The constant battle: Suicide by veterans—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Kakoschke-Moore, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

9 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Provision of services under the NDIS for people with psychosocial disabilities related to a mental health condition—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the deputy chair of the committee (Senator Gallacher)—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Gallacher, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

10 Red Tape—Select Committee—Effect of red tape on tobacco retail—Second interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Leyonhjelm)—That the Senate take note of the report (17 August 2017).

11 Economics References Committee—Australia’s general insurance industry: sapping consumers of the will to compare—Report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Urquhart—That the Senate take note of the report (17 August 2017).
12 Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee—The 2016 federal election: AEC modernisation—Third interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Smith—That the Senate take note of the report (Senator Macdonald, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

13 Red Tape—Select Committee—Effect of red tape on the sale, supply and taxation of alcohol—Interim report
Adjourned debate on the motion of the chair of the committee (Senator Leyonhjelm)—That the Senate take note of the report (17 August 2017).

Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the report (17 August 2017).

15 Murray-Darling Basin Plan—Select Committee—Report—Refreshing the Plan—Government response
Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Leyonhjelm—That the Senate take note of the document (17 August 2017).

16 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 document (Senator Polley, in continuation, 17 August 2017).

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ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

*464 Cashless Welfare Card—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Social Services, by 3.30 pm on 7 September 2017, the evaluation of the Cashless Welfare Card commissioned by the Department of Social Services and authored by Mr J Rob Bray and Professor Matthew Gray, and associated documents. (Motion of Senator Stiewert agreed to 6 September 2017.)

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BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (11 September 2017)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Corporations Amendment (Modernisation of Members Registration) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 8 August 2017

393 Senator Roberts: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017 to provide for members of the Parliament to voluntarily opt-out of payment of certain remuneration and allowances, and for related purposes. Parliamentary Business Resources Amendment (Voluntary Opt-out) Bill 2017.

Orders for Production of Documents

420 Barwon-Darling Unregulated River—Order for production of documents
By the Minister Representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by the start of business on 11 September 2017, documents relating to the Barwon-Darling Unregulated River. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 16 August 2017.)

430 Resettlement of asylum seekers and refugees—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, no later than 11 September 2017, documents and correspondence relating to the resettlement of asylum seekers and refugees previously and currently on Manus Island and Nauru. (Motion of Senator McKim agreed to 4 September 2017.)

At 12 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 15 August 2017


Ten 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 Economics References Committee
Report to be presented on toll roads.

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

General Business—Notices of Motion

Notice given 20 June 2017

371 Senator Rice: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that the Select Committee on the Exposure Draft of the Marriage Amendment (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill tabled its report on 15 February 2017; and
(b) orders that there be laid on the table by the Attorney-General, by no later than 9.30 am on 14 September 2017, a statement outlining the Government’s intentions in relation to the findings of the report.

Notice of motion altered on 20 June, 21 June and 6 September 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.

Notice given 9 August 2017

412 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) this week marks the 72nd anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which killed more than 200,000 people in 1945,
   (ii) the current global stockpile of nuclear weapons is around 15,000 weapons, held by nine countries,
   (iii) on 7 July 2017, 122 nations voted at the United Nations to adopt a Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, which prohibits nations from developing, testing, producing, manufacturing, transferring, possessing, stockpiling, using or threatening to use nuclear weapons, or allowing nuclear weapons to be stationed on their territory,
   (iv) the adoption of the Treaty puts nuclear weapons on the same footing as other weapons of mass destruction, and represents a significant step forward in global efforts to eradicate nuclear weapons, and
   (v) despite clear global support and the obvious need to reinvigorate international nuclear disarmament architecture, the Australian Government did not participate in Treaty negotiations; and
(b) calls on the Government to sign the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons when it opens for signature on 20 September 2017.

On 13 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020.

2 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Vaporised Nicotine Products Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
5 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the 2017-18 Budget estimates.

6 National Integrity Commission—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

On 14 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on Community Development Program.

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on online poker.

3 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
   Report to be presented on whistleblower protections.

On 15 September 2017

Order for Production of Documents

450 Murray-Darling Basin—Order for production of documents
   By the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by the start of business on 15 September 2017, correspondence and documents relating to the store and release of environmental water within the Murray-Darling Basin. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 5 September 2017.)

On 30 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on corporate tax avoidance.

On 9 October 2017

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 (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 16 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 **Education and Employment References Committee**
   Report to be presented on penalty rates and the provisions of the Fair Work (Pay Protection) Bill 2017.

2 **Finance and Public Administration References Committee**
   Report to be presented on the protection of personal Medicare information.

3 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2017 and the Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Amendment Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

5 **Economics Legislation Committee**
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Income Tax Rates Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017, the Treasury Laws Amendment (Untainting Tax) (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 and the Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 **Australian Grape and Wine Authority Amendment (Wine Australia) Bill 2017**—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
On 17 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 18 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on aspects of road safety in Australia.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the state of Australia’s rail industry.

3 Lending to Primary Production Customers—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

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

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

On 31 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on asbestos.

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

On 13 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

*2 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the future of rugby union in Australia.
Ten sitting days after today (14 November 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 16 August 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Civil Aviation Order 95.10 Instrument 2017, made under the Civil Aviation Act 1988, be disallowed [F2017L00480].

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

Notice of intention to withdraw at the giving of notices on 7 September 2017 (Notice given 6 September 2017)

2 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Competition and Consumer (Industry Code—Sugar) Regulations 2017, made under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010, be disallowed [F2017L00387].

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

Notice of intention to withdraw at the giving of notices on 7 September 2017 (Notice given 6 September 2017)

3 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Legal Services Directions 2017, made under the Judiciary Act 1903, be disallowed [F2017L00369].

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

On 15 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Political Influence of Donations—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

*2 Procedure—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on a proposal for a Parliamentary Code for Respecting Cultural Diversity.

*3 Procedure—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on a proposal to amend standing order 193.
Twelve sitting days after today (16 November 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 4 September 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Inspector of Transport Security Regulations 2017, made under the Inspector of Transport Security Act 2006, be disallowed [F2017L00510].

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

On 23 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 27 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the affordability of private health insurance and out-of-pocket medical costs.

On 28 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Funding for Research into Cancers with Low Survival Rates—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the law of contempt.

On 29 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on shark mitigation and deterrent measures.

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

3 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector.
4 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the waste and recycling industry in Australia.

On 30 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impact of Defence training activities and facilities on rural and regional communities.

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

On 1 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s steel industry.

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry.

3 Red Tape—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 4 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on implications of climate change for Australia’s national security.

2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the digital delivery of government services.

On 5 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the integrity of the water market in the Murray-Darling Basin.
On 6 December 2017

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 7 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Future of Public Interest Journalism—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility.

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

4 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on biosecurity risks associated with the importation of seafood and seafood products into Australia.

On 14 February 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s trade and investment relationships with the countries of Africa.

On 18 February 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 second sitting Tuesday in 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Privileges—Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on the implications for the use of intrusive powers by law enforcement and intelligence agencies on the privileges and immunities of members of Parliament.
On the second sitting Tuesday in February 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the postal survey concerning same-sex marriage.

On the first sitting day in March 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Final report to be presented on the provisions of the Airports Amendment Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On the last sitting day of the autumn sittings of 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 30 April 2018

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On the final sitting day of 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.

OTHER INFORMATION

BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES

Airports Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 9 February 2017; reporting date (final): first sitting day in March 2018)

Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)
Australian Border Force Amendment (Protected Information) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 August 2017; reporting date: 12 September 2017)

Corporations Amendment (Modernisation of Members Registration) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 11 September 2017)

Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 13 September 2017)

Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017
Provisions of the bill referred to the Education and Employment References Committee as part of the committee’s inquiry into penalty rates (referred 19 June 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment (Ensuring Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 9 October 2017)

Medicare Levy Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Fringe Benefits Tax Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Income Tax Rates Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Superannuation (Excess Non-concessional Contributions Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Superannuation (Excess Untaxed Roll-over Amounts Tax) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Income Tax (TFN Withholding Tax (ESS)) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Family Trust Distribution Tax (Primary Liability) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 1) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Taxation (Trustee Beneficiary Non-disclosure Tax) (No. 2) Amendment (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Treasury Laws Amendment (Untainting Tax) (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Nation-building Funds Repeal (National Disability Insurance Scheme Funding) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)

Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2017 and the Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 10 August 2017; reporting date: 16 October 2017)
Migration and Other Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 17 October 2017)

National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Quality and Safeguards Commission and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 15 June 2017; reporting date: 13 September 2017)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Cashless Debit Card) Bill 2017 [provisions]
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 August 2017; reporting date: 13 November 2017)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 7 September 2017)

Vaporised Nicotine Products Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 13 September 2017)

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

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills

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

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

Questions remaining unanswered


Question nos, as shown, from 163 to 510 remain unanswered for 30 or more days (see standing order 74(5)).

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

ORDERS OF THE SENATE

Allocation of departments/agencies

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

Community Affairs
- Health
- Social Services, including Human Services

Economics
- Industry, Innovation and Science
- Treasury

Education and Employment
- Education and Training
- Employment

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
- Immigration and Border Protection
Estimates hearings—2016-17 additional estimates; 2017-18 Budget estimates

(1) That estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2017 be scheduled as follows:

**2016-17 additional estimates:**
Monday, 27 February and Tuesday, 28 February (Group A)  
Wednesday, 1 March and Thursday, 2 March (Group B).

**2017-18 Budget estimates:**
Monday, 22 May to Thursday, 25 May, and, if required, Friday, 26 May (Group A)  
Monday, 29 May to Thursday, 1 June, and, if required, Friday, 2 June (Group B)  
Monday, 23 October and Tuesday, 24 October (supplementary hearings—Group A)  
Wednesday, 25 October and Thursday, 26 October (supplementary hearings—Group B).

(2) That pursuant to the orders of the Senate of 26 August 2008, cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters be scheduled for Friday, 3 March, Friday, 26 May and Friday, 27 October 2017, but not restricted to these days.

(2A) That cross portfolio estimates hearings on Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters be scheduled for Friday, 26 May 2017 and Friday, 27 October 2017.

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

(4) That committees meet in the following groups:

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

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs  
- Economics  
- Education and Employment  
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade.
That the committees report to the Senate on the following dates:
   (a) Tuesday, 28 March 2017 in respect of the 2016-17 additional estimates; and
   (b) Tuesday, 20 June 2017 in respect of the 2017-18 Budget estimates.
(Agreed to 8 November 2016; varied 8 February 2017; varied 29 March 2017 in respect of paragraph (2A))

**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)

**Exemption of bills**

That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017, allowing it to be considered during this period of sittings.
(Agreed to 6 September 2017)

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:
   Education Services for Overseas Students (TPS Levies) Amendment Bill 2017
   Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment Bill 2017
   International Monetary Agreements Amendment (New Arrangements to Borrow) Bill 2017
   Product Emissions Standards Bill 2017
   Product Emissions Standards (Customs) Charges Bill 2017
   Product Emissions Standards (Excise) Charges Bill 2017
(Agreed to 6 September 2017)

**First speech—Senator Brockman**

That consideration of the business before the Senate on Tuesday, 17 October 2017, be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Brockman to make his first speech without any question before the chair.
(Agreed to 5 September 2017)
Meeting of Senate—2017
That the days of meeting of the Senate for the remainder of 2017 be as follows:

**Autumn sittings:**
- Tuesday, 7 February to Thursday, 9 February
- Monday, 13 February to Thursday, 16 February

**Autumn sittings (2):**
- Monday, 20 March to Thursday, 23 March
- Monday, 27 March to Thursday, 30 March

**Budget sittings:**
- Tuesday, 9 May to Thursday, 11 May

**Winter sittings:**
- Tuesday, 13 June to Thursday, 15 June
- Monday, 19 June to Thursday, 22 June

**Spring sittings:**
- Tuesday, 8 August to Thursday, 10 August
- Monday, 14 August to Thursday, 17 August
- Monday, 4 September to Thursday, 7 September
- Monday, 11 September to Thursday, 14 September

**Spring sittings (2):**
- Monday, 16 October to Thursday, 19 October

**Spring sittings (3):**
- Monday, 13 November to Thursday, 16 November
- Monday, 27 November to Thursday, 30 November
- Monday, 4 December to Thursday, 7 December.

*(Agreed to 8 November 2016)*

**Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Mr Ludlam**
Pursuant to section 376 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Western Australia in the Senate for the place for which Senator Ludlam was returned;

(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘no’, is there a casual vacancy in the representation of Western Australia in the Senate within the meaning of s 15 of the Constitution; and

(d) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference.

*(Agreed to 8 August 2017)*
Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Ms Waters
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate for the place for which Senator Waters was returned;

(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘no’, is there a casual vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate within the meaning of s 15 of the Constitution; and

(d) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference.

(Agreed to 8 August 2017)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Canavan
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate for the place for which Senator Matthew Canavan was returned;

(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and

(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.

(Agreed to 8 August 2017)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Nash
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of New South Wales in the Senate for the place for which Senator Fiona Nash was returned;

(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and

(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.

(Agreed to 4 September 2017)
Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Roberts
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—
(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of Queensland in the Senate for the place for which Senator Roberts was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;
(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and
(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 9 August 2017)

Qualification of a senator—Court of Disputed Returns—Senator Xenophon
Pursuant to section 376 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, the Senate refers to the Court of Disputed Returns the following questions—
(a) whether, by reason of s 44(i) of the Constitution, there is a vacancy in the representation of South Australia in the Senate for the place for which Senator Nick Xenophon was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is ‘yes’, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;
(c) what directions and other orders, if any, should the Court make in order to hear and finally dispose of this reference; and
(d) what, if any, orders should be made as to the costs of these proceedings.
(Agreed to 4 September 2017)

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)
   Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   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 moved 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) 
Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch) 
Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson) 
Senator Bernardi 
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.
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)
   Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch)
   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   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)
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   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   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 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)
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   Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson)
   Senator Bernardi
   Senator Lambie
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon
To move (contingent on a minister at question time on any day asking that further
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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)
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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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   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Xenophon
To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to table a document in the
Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the
senator moving that the document be tabled.
APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

Advisory Council on Australian Archives
Senator Moore (appointed 12 February 2015, for a period of 3 years).

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

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

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Clerk of the Senate

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