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The Senate meets at 9.30 am

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GUIDE TO THE NOTICE PAPER

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

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

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#### Business listed for future consideration

任何动议或会议事项将在特定时间考虑。例如，将某个委员会的报告或文件在特定日期提出。日期将包括在内。

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*No. 42—14 June 2017*
BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY
BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 15 February 2017


Last day for resolving**.

** Indicates sitting days remaining, including today, within which the motion must be disposed of or the regulation will be deemed to have been disallowed.

Notice given 28 March 2017

2 Senator Xenophon: To move—That the following matters be referred to the Education and Employment References Committee for inquiry and report by 16 October 2017:

(a) claims that many employees working for large employers receive lower penalty rates under their enterprise agreements on weekends and public holidays than those set by the relevant modern award, giving those employers a competitive advantage over smaller businesses that pay award rates;

(b) the operation, application and effectiveness of the Better Off Overall Test (BOOT) for enterprise agreements made under the Fair Work Act 2009;

(c) the desirability of amending the Fair Work Act 2009 to ensure that enterprise agreements do not contain terms that specify penalty rates which are lower than the respective modern award;

(d) the provisions of the Fair Work (Pay Protection) Bill 2017; and

(e) any other related matter related to penalty rates in the retail, hospitality and fast-food sectors.

Notice of motion altered on 11 May 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.

3 Senator Rice: To move—That the following matters be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 8 August 2017:

Operations of existing and proposed toll roads in Australia, including:

(a) financial arrangements of existing and proposed private toll roads, and transparency, accountability and equity aspects of these arrangements;

(b) interaction of commercial considerations of private toll road operators with federal and state transport policy; and

(c) any other related matter.

Notice of motion altered on 13 June 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.
4 Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the ASIC Corporations (Foreign-Controlled Company Reports) Instrument 2017/204, made under the Corporations Act 2001, be disallowed [F2017L00307].

Ten 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 14 June 2017 (Notice given 13 June 2017)

Notice given 11 May 2017

5 Senator Ludlam: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee for inquiry and report by 4 December 2017:

The implications of climate change for Australia’s national security, with particular reference to:

(a) the possible effects of climate change, including sea level rise, hotter and more extreme weather, impacts on water and food security and migration, on the Australian, Asia-Pacific and global security environments, for the full range of projected emission scenarios;

(b) the Australian Defence Force’s (ADF’s) preparedness and mission and operational resilience to climate change, including:

(i) facilities, equipment, personnel and logistics, and
(ii) disaster relief, humanitarian assistance and forced migration;

(c) the ADF’s climate change preparedness in comparison to Australia’s allies;

(d) the preparedness of Australia’s intelligence services in assessing climate change national security risks;

(e) the role of Australia’s development program and climate financing in building regional resilience and contributing to national security risk reduction;

(f) the role of climate mitigation policies in reducing national security risks;

(g) additional responses Australia should take to reduce the risks posed by climate change; and

(h) any other related matters.

Notice given 13 June 2017

*6 Chair of the Economics References Committee (Senator Ketter): To move—That the following matter be referred to the Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 7 December 2017:

The governance and operation of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF), with particular reference to:

(a) the adequacy and transparency of the NAIF’s governance framework, including its project assessment and approval processes;

(b) the adequacy of the NAIF’s Investment Mandate, risk appetite statement and public interest test in guiding decisions of the NAIF Board;

(c) processes used to appoint NAIF Board members, including assessment of potential conflicts of interest;
(d) the transparency of the NAIF’s policies in managing perceived, actual or potential conflicts of interest of its Board members;
(e) the adequacy of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Act 2016 and Investment Mandate to provide for and maintain the independence of decisions of the Board;
(f) the status and role of state and territory governments under the NAIF, including any agreements between state and territories and the Federal Government; and
(g) any other related matters.

*7 Senator Waters: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report by 12 September 2017:
The Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF), with particular reference to:
(a) the adequacy and transparency of the NAIF’s project assessment and approval processes, including but not limited to cost-benefit analysis, Native Title implications, environmental impacts, fit-and-proper person tests or other issues;
(b) the adequacy of the NAIF’s Investment Mandate, risk appetite statement and public interest test in guiding decisions of the NAIF Board;
(c) the adequacy of processes used to appoint NAIF Board members, including assessment of potential conflicts of interest;
(d) the adequacy and transparency of the NAIF’s policies in managing perceived, actual or potential conflicts of interest;
(e) the adequacy of the Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Act 2016 and Investment Mandate to provide for and maintain the independence of decisions of the Board;
(f) the status and role of state and territory governments under the NAIF, including any agreements between state and territories and the Federal Government; and
(g) any other related matters.

Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 Native Title Amendment (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Bill 2017
   In committee (13 June 2017).

2 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Seasonal Worker Incentives for Jobseekers) Bill 2017—(Minister for Communications, Senator Fifield)
3 Health Insurance Amendment (National Rural Health Commissioner) Bill 2017
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield)—That this bill be now read a second time.
And on the amendment moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)—At the end of the motion, add “but the Senate:
(a) laments that health outcomes in rural and regional Australia continue to lag significantly behind the rest of the country, particularly for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
(b) recognises that the establishment of a Rural Health Commissioner represents an opportunity to examine and address the significant work force issues which contribute to this, as well as the range of other causes; and
(c) calls for the Commissioner to be free to examine and make recommendations relating to all areas of policy reform and funding that are relevant to urgently address this issue” (Senator Williams, in continuation, 27 March 2017).

4 Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2016 Measures No. 1) Bill 2016—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann)

5 Copyright Amendment (Disability Access and Other Measures) Bill 2017—
(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)

*6 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Energy Assistance Payment and Pensioner Concession Card) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).

*7 ASIC Supervisory Cost Recovery Levy Bill 2017
ASIC Supervisory Cost Recovery Levy (Collection) Bill 2017
ASIC Supervisory Cost Recovery Levy (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).

*8 Treasury Laws Amendment (Accelerated Depreciation For Small Business Entities) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).

*9 Veterans’ Affairs Legislation Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2017—
(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).

*10 Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).

*11 Fair Work Amendment (Corrupting Benefits) Bill 2017—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).
12 Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017—
(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (13 June 2017).

13 Fisheries Legislation Amendment (Representation) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—
(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 February 2017).

14 Superannuation Amendment (PSSAP Membership) Bill 2016—(Minister for
Defence, Senator Payne)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2017).

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

16 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).

17 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2017—
(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)

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

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

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

21 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).

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

23 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).

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

26 Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016—(Senate bill)—(Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister, Senator McGrath)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (9 November 2016).

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

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

29 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).

30 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 13 June 2017

*1 Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield): To move—That consideration of the business before the Senate on Wednesday, 21 June 2017, be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Gichuhi to make her first speech without any question before the chair.

*2 Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield): To move—That—
(a) so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the succeeding provisions of this resolution having effect;
(b) on Wednesday, 14 June 2017, the business of the Senate order of the day proposing the disallowance of the Family Law (Superannuation) (Provision of Information—Military Superannuation and Benefits Scheme) Amendment Determination 2016, standing in the names of Senators Kakoschke-Moore and Lambie, for that day be called on no later than 6.15 pm; and
(c) if consideration of the motion listed in paragraph (b) is not concluded at 6.30 pm, the questions on the unresolved motion shall then be put.
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 22 March 2017

269 Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—

(1) That a joint select committee, to be known as the Joint Select Committee on oversight of the implementation of redress related recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse be established following the tabling of the final report of the Royal Commission to inquire into and report upon:
   (a) the Australian Government policy, program and legal response, including the establishment and operation of the Commonwealth Redress Scheme and ongoing support of survivors; and
   (b) any matter in relation to the Royal Commission’s recommendations referred to the committee by a resolution of either House of the Parliament.

(2) That the committee present its final report on the final sitting day of November 2018.

(3) That the committee consist of 8 members – 4 senators, and 4 members of the House of Representatives as follows:
   (a) 2 members of the House of the Representatives to be nominated by the Government Whip or Whips;
   (b) 2 members of the House of Representatives to be nominated by the Opposition Whip or Whips;
   (c) 1 senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate;
   (d) 1 senator to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate;
   (e) 1 senator to be nominated by any minority party or independent senator; and
   (f) the Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch).

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

(6) That the members of the committee hold office as a joint select committee until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time.

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

(8) That Senator Hinch be appointed as chair of the committee and the committee elect as deputy chair a member or senator nominated by the Opposition.

(9) That the deputy chair shall act as chair of the committee at any time when the chair is not present at a meeting of the committee, and at any time when the chair and deputy chair are not present at a meeting of the committee the members present shall elect another member to act as chair at that meeting.

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

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

(12) That the committee be empowered to print from day to day such papers and evidence as may be ordered by it, and a daily Hansard be published of such proceedings as take place in public.

(13) That the committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any adjournment of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

(14) That the provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

(15) That a message be sent to the House of Representatives seeking its concurrence in this resolution.

Notice of motion altered on 1 June and 13 June 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.

Notice given 29 March 2017

Senator Urquhart: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes:
(i) the rapid increase in the use of electronic communication technology in recent decades, including in commerce,
(ii) that access to electronic communication technology differs between Australians, and is often related to income, age, education level and remoteness,
(iii) that not all Australians have the skills and infrastructure to communicate effectively via electronic channels,
(iv) that many businesses, including banks, telecommunications companies and utilities, charge consumers an extra fee to receive communications via post, and
(v) that often the fee charged by companies to receive communications by post is intended as a disincentive, and does not represent the actual cost incurred by the company; and
(b) calls on the Government to bring forward legislation that will give consumers the right to receive communications from companies by post for no extra fee.

Senators Bilyk and Brown: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes that the Government cut all 27 Australian Federal Police (AFP) staff from Hobart International Airport in the 2014-15 Budget, leaving Hobart as the only capital city airport in Australia without an AFP presence;
(b) further notes that the Government in the 2017-18 Budget locked in a $184 million funding cut to the AFP over the forward estimates, and formalised the reduction of 150 staff in the upcoming year alone – no funding was provided for the restoration of staff in Hobart;
(c) acknowledges that concerns have previously been raised by the Tasmanian Government, Tasmania Police, and the Police Union about the withdrawal of the AFP in Hobart and that Tasmania Police want the presence restored; and
(d) calls on the Government to explain why it believes that Hobart International Airport is the only capital city airport in Australia which does not require an AFP presence, explain the factual basis for its decision to withdraw those police, and outline the steps that it is taking to ensure safety and security at Hobart International Airport is not compromised.

Senator Bernardi: To move—That the Senate—
(a) notes reports, arising from a joint investigation by the ABC Four Corners program and Fairfax Media, broadcast on 5 June 2017 regarding the increasing influence of the People’s Republic of China in Australia’s political system and within academia; and
(b) calls on the Prime Minister to request His Excellency the Governor-General issue Letters Patent to establish a royal commission into the following:
(i) the influence of foreign agents in offering direct or indirect benefits to politicians, political parties, governments and academia with a view to influencing decisions or other actions by those recipients to
be in accord with the view of foreign governments, including, but not limited to, the Chinese Communist Party, and
(ii) possible reforms to preserve the sovereignty, transparency and integrity of Australian democracy.

*336 Deputy Chair of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services (Senator O’Neill): To move—That the time for the presentation of the report of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services on whistleblower protections be extended to 17 August 2017.

*337 Chair of the Select Committee on Strengthening Multiculturalism (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the resolution of 29 November 2016 appointing the Select Committee on Strengthening Multiculturalism be amended as follows:
Omit paragraph (9), substitute:
(9) That the committee have power to appoint subcommittees consisting of three or more of its members, and to refer to any such subcommittee any of the matters which the committee is empowered to consider.

(9A) That the committee and any subcommittee have power to send for and examine persons and documents, to move from place to place, to sit in public or in private, notwithstanding any prorogation of the Parliament or dissolution of the House of Representatives, and have leave to report from time to time its proceedings and the evidence taken and such interim recommendations as it may deem fit.

*338 Senator Reynolds: To move—That the Senate—
(a) congratulates the Government on its delivery of the Naval Shipbuilding Plan;
(b) notes that the Naval Shipbuilding Plan re-affirms the Government’s commitment to invest $89 billion in naval capability across:
   (i) 12 Future submarines,
   (ii) 9 Future frigates,
   (iii) 12 offshore patrol vessels, and
   (iv) up to 21 pacific patrol boats;
(c) notes that, through this shipbuilding plan, the Government will help create 5,200 direct jobs in construction activities, and more than double this number in the supply chain and sustainment activities – over 15 000 personnel will ultimately be directly or indirectly employed in the naval shipbuilding enterprise;
(d) notes that four key enablers are required to implement the Government’s Naval Shipbuilding Plan:
   (i) modern, innovative and secure naval shipbuilding infrastructure,
   (ii) workforce growth and development,
   (iii) a sustainable and cost-competitive Australian industrial base, and
   (iv) a national collaborative approach; and
(e) notes that a national naval shipbuilding enterprise is required to deliver on our national endeavour to build and sustain Australia’s naval capabilities, creating Australian jobs and opportunities for Australian industry.
*339 Senator Rice: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, by no later than 9.30 am on 21 June 2017, the following documents held by the Department of the Environment and Energy: any nominations submitted seeking revised listing of the Leadbeater’s Possum (Gymnobelideus leadbeateri) under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, including the completed nomination form(s) received.

*340 Senator Rice: To move—That there be laid on the table, by the Minister for Defence, by no later than 12.30 pm on 20 June 2017, the following documents regarding the Defence site Maribyrnong:

(a) the consultant report referred to by the Minister for Defence at the estimates hearing on 29 May 2017 of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee regarding the sale and proposed capacity of 6 000 dwellings for the site; and

(b) any correspondence between the Department of Defence or the Minister for Defence and her office and Australia Zhongren Enrichment Holding Pty Ltd or associated entities.

*341 Senator Rhiannon: To move—That there be laid on the table, by the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, by close of business on 20 June 2017, a copy of the draft or any other version of the Export Control (Animals) Amendment (Equine Animals) Order 2017 (the Equine Amendment Order) and all documents by or held by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources and/or the Minister’s office, including risk assessments, advice, emails, minutes or other information relating to the live export of equines including, but not limited to, consideration of the trade’s cruelty to animals and any reputational risk to all those involved.

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

(a) recognises that:

(i) on 24 March 2017 following trade talks between the Prime Minister and the Chinese Premier, the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, the Honourable Barnaby Joyce, MP was widely reported as stating that if people want edible donkey skins, Australia is going to provide them,

(ii) the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (“the Department”) confirmed in hearings of the Budget estimates held in May 2017 it is working on Exporter Supply Chain Assurance System (ESCAS) arrangements for horses, ponies and donkeys for the purposes of slaughter in the event an application for live export is lodged,

(iii) the Department has provided animal welfare groups with an exposure draft of the Export Control (Animals) Amendment (Equine Animals) Order 2017 for comment, and

(iv) the Australian Livestock Exporters Council, the peak body of Australia’s current livestock export industry, has stated that it and its members do not support the commencement of any trade in the live export of horses and donkeys from Australia for slaughter; and

(b) calls on the Government to heed community expectations and definitively ban the export of live horses, ponies and donkeys for slaughter.
Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the drug testing trial of 5,000 people applying for income support announced in the 2017-18 Budget,

(ii) that the Government may require an exemption from the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 to enact this measure,

(iii) that, in 2013, a position paper by The Australian National Council on Drugs, found there would be serious ethical and legal problems with implementing a drug testing program for income support recipients in Australia,

(iv) that both the United Kingdom and Ontario, Canada stepped away from proposals for drug testing income support recipients because it was rejected by experts as being discriminatory or imposing unfair conditionality, and

(v) that, from 2011 to 2014, only two people out of 108 408 tested in Arizona, USA had a positive drug test; and

(b) calls on the Government to abandon this Budget measure.

Senator Macdonald: To move—That the Senate—

(a) congratulates the Federal Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, and the Queensland State Premier, for their leadership in bringing the Adani Carmichael coal mine in Queensland’s Galilee Basin another step closer to being a reality;

(b) recognises the much-needed boost to employment in North Queensland generally, and in the resources sector specifically, that the Adani Carmichael mine will deliver;

(c) welcomes the positioning of Adani’s Regional Headquarters in Townsville; and

(d) notes that road, rail and port infrastructure upgrades directly resulting from Adani’s investment in the Galilee Basin will provide benefit to businesses and communities across Northern Australia.

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Government response to report of the Environment and Communications References Committee—Order for production of documents

By the Minister for Communications, by no later than 3 pm on 14 June 2017, the Government’s response to the report of the Environment and Communications References Committee on Australia’s video game development industry. (Motion of Senator Ludlam agreed to 13 June 2017.)
BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (15 June 2017)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Economics Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (Foreign Resident Capital Gains Withholding Payments) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to the order of the Senate of 10 May 2017.)

General Business—Orders of the Day relating to Private Senators’ Bills

45 Banking and Financial Services Commission of Inquiry Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senators Whish-Wilson, Xenophon, Lambie, Hanson, Hinch and Roberts)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Kitching, in continuation, 23 March 2017).

*48 Environment and Infrastructure Legislation Amendment (Stop Adani) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senator Waters)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Waters, in continuation, 13 June 2017).

Two sitting days after today (19 June 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 20 March 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Jervis Bay Territory Marine Safety Ordinance 2016, made under the Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915, be disallowed [F2016L01756].

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

On 19 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 30 March 2017

1 Senator Siewert: To move—That the National Disability Insurance Scheme (Specialist Disability Accommodation) Rules 2016, made under the National Disability Insurance Scheme Act 2013, be disallowed [F2017L00209].

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 Legislation Committee**


2 **Community Affairs Legislation Committee**

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Industrial Chemicals Bill 2017, the Industrial Chemicals (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2017, the Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Amendment Bill 2017, the Industrial Chemicals Charges (General) Bill 2017, the Industrial Chemicals Charges (Customs) Bill 2017, and the Industrial Chemicals Charges (Excise) Bill 2017. (*Referred pursuant to the order of the Senate of 10 May 2017.*)

**On 20 June 2017**

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 21 March 2017

1 **Senator Bernardi:** To move—That the Extradition (People’s Republic of China) Regulations 2017, made under the *Extradition Act 1988*, be disallowed [F2017L00185].

*Four 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 **Legislation Committees**

Reports to be presented on the 2017-18 Budget estimates.

2 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee**

Report to be presented on Australian veterans.

3 **Community Affairs Legislation Committee**


**On 21 June 2017**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 **Community Affairs References Committee**

Report to be presented on the future of Australia’s aged care sector workforce.

2 **Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee**

Report to be presented on the Bell Group litigation.

3 **Community Affairs References Committee**

On 22 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on home, strata and car insurance industries.

2 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.

3 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the matters raised by New South Wales Police Strike Force CIVET.

On 29 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 30 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the implications of financial advice reforms.

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

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

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

5 Government Procurement—Joint Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 12 July 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 19 July 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the use of Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia.
On 7 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
Report to be presented on corporate avoidance of the Fair Work Act 2009.

On 8 August 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 Crimes Legislation Amendment (Powers, Offences and Other Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Seven sitting days after today (9 August 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 28 March 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Migration Amendment (Review of the Regulations) Regulation 2016, made under the Migration Act 1958, be disallowed [F2016L01809].

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

On 9 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 9 May 2017


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

Notice of motion altered on 9 May 2017 pursuant to standing order 77.

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
On 14 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders 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.

2 Strengthening Multiculturalism—Select Committee
Report to be presented.

Ten sitting days after today (15 August 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 31 March 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Social Services Measures No. 4) Regulation 2016, made under the Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Act 1997, be disallowed [F2016L01922].

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

2 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Amendment (Sunsetting and Disallowance Exemptions) Regulation 2016, made under the Legislation Act 2003, be disallowed [F2016L01897].

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

On 15 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 24 November 2016

127 Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—That the Senate notes the wide ranging problems with Australia’s justice system, including access to justice.
On 17 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector.

On 31 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on asbestos.

On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2017 (6 September 2017)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees
   Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 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 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impacts of climate change on marine fisheries and biodiversity.

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.

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 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.

On 31 October 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 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on non-conforming building products.

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—Order of the Day

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

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

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 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.

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)

Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 16 February 2017; reporting date: 9 August 2017)

Australian Education Amendment Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 11 May 2017; reporting date: 14 June 2017)

Crimes Legislation Amendment (Powers, Offences and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 11 May 2017; reporting date: 8 August 2017)

Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017 ‡
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 30 March 2017; reporting date: 15 June 2017)

Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 11 May 2017; reporting date: 9 August 2017)


Social Services Legislation Amendment (Queensland Commission Income Management Regime) Bill 2017 [provisions] Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 13 June 2017; reporting date: 20 June 2017)

Treasury Laws Amendment (Foreign Resident Capital Gains Withholding Payments) Bill 2017 [provisions] / Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 1 June 2017; reporting date: 15 June 2017)

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

/ Referred pursuant to the order of the Senate of 10 May 2017.

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.
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered


Question nos, as shown, from 163 to 473 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.

(5) 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
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.

First speech—Senator Georgiou

That consideration of the business before the Senate on Wednesday, 16 August 2017, be interrupted at approximately 5 pm, but not so as to interrupt a senator speaking, to enable Senator Georgiou to make his first speech without any question before the chair.

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)

Referral of time critical bills
That—
(1) To ensure appropriate consideration of time critical bills by Senate committees, the provisions of all bills introduced into the House of Representatives after 11 May 2017 and up to and including 1 June 2017 that contain substantive provisions commencing on or before 1 July 2017 (together with the provisions of any related bill) are referred to committees for inquiry and report by 13 June 2017.

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

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

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

(Agreed to 10 May 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)
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)
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 Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator making that statement.

Tabling of documents

16 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 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).

Richard Pye
Clerk

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| Minister for Local Government and Territories | Minister for Urban Infrastructure |
| Minister for Regional Communications      | Minister for Health |
| Deputy Leader of The Nationals            | Minister for Aged Care |
|                                           | Minister for Indigenous Health |

| Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann    | |
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|                                           | Minister for Small Business |

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|                                              | Minister for Defence Personnel |

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|                                             | Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources |

| Senator the Honourable Concetta Fierravanti-Wells | |
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| Minister for International Development and the Pacific | |

| Senator the Honourable Scott Ryan             | |
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| Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cabinet | Minister for Human Services |

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### Key
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- B = Budget
- S = Senate sitting week only
- † = Additional estimates
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- Ω = Cross portfolio estimates
- hearings on Indigenous matters, and Murray-Darling Basin Plan matters