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BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY
BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 5 September 2017

*1 Senator Reynolds: To move—that the following matter be referred to the Community Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 13 November 2017:

The future of rugby union in Australia, with particular reference to:

(a) the Australian Rugby Union Board deliberations leading to the decision to reduce Australian teams from five to four in the national competition;

(b) whether there continues to be a truly national rugby union footprint in Australia;

(c) the role of national and state-based bodies in encouraging greater national participation in rugby union;

(d) the corporate governance arrangements and composition of national and state-based rugby union bodies, including community representation on those bodies;

(e) the impact of the decision to reduce the number of Australia teams on national participation in rugby union; and

(f) any other related matters.

*2 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.

Orders of the Day

1 Legislation Committees

Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2017.

2 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Report to be presented on the provisions of the Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2017 and Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
3 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 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.)

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Notices of Motion

Notice given 5 September 2017

*1 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 Competition and Consumer Amendment (Abolition of Limited Merits Review) Bill 2017, allowing it to be considered during this period of sittings.

Orders of the Day

1 Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment (Support for Commonwealth Entities) Bill 2017—(Minister for Education and Training, Senator Birmingham)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (8 August 2017).

*2 Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Legislation Amendment (Defence Force) 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 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).
7 Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Broadcasting Reform) Bill 2017
Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) Bill 2017
Second reading—Adjourned debate (23 June 2017 am).

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

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

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

12 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).

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

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

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

16 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).

17 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).

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

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

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

22 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).

23 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).

24 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—continued

Notice given 5 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:
   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
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 4 September 2017

447 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the Senate—

(1) That the Senate adopts the following code of conduct:

PARLIAMENTARY CODE FOR RESPECTING CULTURAL DIVERSITY

PREAMBLE

The House of Representatives and the Senate have reached agreement on a Code of Conduct which is to apply to all members of Parliament.

Members of Parliament recognise that they are in a unique position of responsibility in influencing the nature of civic conduct in Australia.

Members of Parliament recognise that their words and actions in the Senate and the House of Representatives influence issues relating to multicultural affairs, migration and citizenship, and can assist in guiding respectful public debate.

Members of Parliament acknowledge that parliamentary privilege protects the right of members to participate freely in debate in the Parliament without fear of prosecution.

Members of Parliament recognise the need to exercise their valuable right of freedom of speech in a responsible manner and a failure to do so may have serious implications for individuals and groups of the Australian community and may diminish the social cohesion that is essential to our national character.

THE CODE

1. Uphold the honour of public office

   (a) Members of Parliament will take all reasonable steps to represent public office in a manner that is consistent with the values of respect and inclusion.

   (b) This includes behaviour and language during parliamentary proceedings.

2. First Peoples of Australia, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

   (a) Members of Parliament recognise the value and contribution of the First Peoples of Australia, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.
(b) Members of Parliament recognise that with the exception of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, Australia is a nation of migrants.

3. Respect Australians’ diversity
   (a) Members of Parliament recognise that Australia has been enriched by the diversity of colour, ethnic origin, culture and religious belief that exists within our nation.
   (b) Members of Parliament recognise that principles including respect for religious and cultural diversity, tolerance, and justice should be upheld in parliamentary debate in a respectful manner.

4. Reject discriminatory or exclusionary statements
   (a) Members of Parliament will not knowingly humiliate or degrade an individual or community based on their colour, national or ethnic origin, culture or religious belief.
   (b) This includes acts which are intended to incite hatred or create fear of a community.

(2) That this resolution be communicated to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

448 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—
   (1) That the Senate notes that:
       (a) senators need to exercise their valuable right to freedom of speech in a responsible manner to ensure balanced discussion; and
       (b) the actions of senators may have serious implications for individuals and groups within the Australian community and may diminish the social cohesion that is essential to our national character.
   (2) The following amendment to standing order 193 operate as a temporary order from the first sitting day in October 2017, until the second sitting day of 2018:
       at the end of standing order 193(3), add:
       (4) Adverse reflections on an individual or community on the basis of colour, national or ethnic origin, culture or religious belief are highly disorderly.
       (5) A senator shall contribute to debate in a manner which upholds the honour of public office and the Parliament.

Notice given 5 September 2017

*457 Senators Bushby, Abetz, Seselja, O’Sullivan, Reynolds and Gichuhi: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes:
       (i) Father’s Day recognises the contribution that fathers make to their children’s lives, and is celebrated by millions of families on the first Sunday of September every year, and
       (ii) Dads4Kids Father’s Day advertisements have been aired on Australian television since 2002 without being classed as political;
(b) rejects any determination that implies honouring the role of the father on Father’s Day is a political message; and

(c) laments that public discourse has entered a phase where it is debated whether the image of a father singing a lullaby to his child is a contentious political message.

*458 Senator Kakoschke-Moore: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) Indigenous Literacy Day is held on 6 September,

(ii) it is a national celebration of Indigenous culture, stories, language and literacy,

(iii) on Indigenous Literacy Day attention is focused on the disadvantages experienced in remote communities and Australians are encouraged to raise funds and advocate for more equal access to literacy resources for remote communities – events are held around the country,

(iv) only a quarter of Indigenous Year 5 students in very remote areas are at or above national minimum reading standards, compared to 91 per cent for non-Indigenous students according to the 2016 NAPLAN,

(v) Indigenous 15-year-olds are, on average, about two-and-a-third years behind non-Indigenous 15-year-olds in reading literacy and mathematical literacy according to the 2017 Closing the Gap report,

(vi) the Closing the Gap report states that having literacy and numeracy skills opens doors in life and is an essential precursor to success in school, university and employment,

(vii) the target of halving the gap for Indigenous children in reading, writing and numeracy within a decade (by 2018) is not on track, according to the Closing the Gap report,

(viii) the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) reports that, in most of the remote communities in which it works, there are fewer than five books in family homes,

(ix) the ILF programs have shown that raising literacy levels starts at a community level with book supply and that giving children under five the right books in their own language develops early literacy skills; and

(b) calls on the Government to:

(i) accelerate measures which will help facilitate reaching the literacy and numeracy target for Indigenous students by 2018, and

(ii) do more to help close the Indigenous literacy gap overall by supporting and complementing initiatives such as the ILF which supplies books to remote Indigenous communities and who also help those communities to tell their own stories in their own language.

*459 Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch): To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the Aged Care Act 1997, and for related purposes. Aged Care Amendment (Ratio of Skilled Staff to Care Recipients) Bill 2017.
Senator Rhiannon: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the plaque on the statue of Captain James Cook in Hyde Park, Sydney, states that Cook “discovered this territory – 1770”, and

(ii) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples had lived in Australia for at least 65 000 years before the arrival of Captain Cook; and

(b) supports discussions with Aboriginal communities to seek their advice regarding whether the monument should be corrected to better reflect Captain Cook’s role in Australia’s history.

Senators O’Sullivan and Macdonald: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Australian Labor Party’s (ALP) Climate Action Plan, released in April 2016, states that “Labor will introduce a framework to kick start the closure” of coal-fired power stations,

(ii) the ALP co-sponsored a Senate motion in October 2016 “to encourage the retirement of coal-fired power stations”,

(iii) the Federal Opposition Leader told media in October 2016 that “coal has a future in Australia”,

(iv) the ALP supported a Senate motion in March 2017 stating Government “has no choice but to walk away from funding coal-fired power stations”,

(v) the ALP supported a Senate motion in March 2017 stating “thermal coal is in structural decline and has no long term future in Australia”,

(vi) the ALP supported a Senate motion in June 2017 congratulating the Federal Minister for Resources and Northern Australia and the Queensland Premier for “their leadership in bringing the Adani Carmichael Mine in Queensland’s Galilee Basin another step closer to being a reality”, and

(vii) the ALP supported a Senate motion in August 2017 stating Government “should not force the early retirement of coal-fired power stations”; and

(b) calls on the Federal Australian Labor Party to come clean with a coherent policy position regarding the future role of coal and coal-fired power stations in the national energy mix.

Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson): To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) it was the sole recommendation of a 2015 inquiry by the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee, chaired by Senator Sterle, Australian Labor Party Senator for Western Australia, that a mandatory sugar industry Code of Conduct be developed and implemented,

(ii) in view of the perishable nature of cut cane, the Sugar Industry Code of Conduct was put in place in April 2017 to prevent possible abuse by mill owners of any monopoly power they have in supply contract negotiations with growers and their collectives, and
provides a mechanism for arbitration should there be a deadlock, and

(iii) the sugar industry operates without price supports or subsidies, and grower incomes are directly linked to export sales, meaning the industry requires the stability and confidence that the code provides; and

(b) supports the Sugar Industry Code of Conduct in order to provide certainty to Australia’s cane growers.

*463 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes with concern two recent natural disasters – monsoon rains which have flooded Bangladesh, India and Nepal, and Tropical Storm Harvey in the United States of America (USA);

(b) is further concerned that 43 million people have been affected by the flooding in South Asia, particularly those in Bangladesh, where more than two-thirds of the country is underwater, and that the costs of Tropical Storm Harvey, the most extreme rain event in USA history, could add up to USD $180 billion;

(c) expresses sympathy for the loved ones of the more than 1 200 killed in South Asia and the more than 60 killed in Houston;

(d) notes that extreme weather events, such as the South Asian monsoonal flooding and Tropical Storm Harvey, will become worse as the climate changes; and

(e) welcomes the announcement that the Australian Government will provide $2 million to the international relief effort in Nepal, but urges the Government to provide further humanitarian assistance to other countries affected in the region.

*464 Senator Siewert: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Social Services, by 3.30pm 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 all associated documents.

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

432 Future Frigate tender documentation—Order for production of documents
By the Minister for Finance and the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, by the close of business on 6 September 2017, the report of the strategic review of ASC Pty Ltd and unclassified portions of the Future Frigate tender documentation set. (Motion of Senator Xenophon agreed to 4 September 2017.)

*449 Future Frigates to the Royal Australian Navy—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Defence Industry, by the close of business on 6 September 2017, documents relating to contracts to build the Future Frigates in Adelaide. (Motion of Senators Xenophon and Carr agreed to 5 September 2017.)
BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (7 September 2017)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

Government Business—Notice of Motion

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.

General Business—Notices of Motion

1 **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 4 September 2017, a statement outlining the Government’s intentions in relation to the findings of the report.

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

1 **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.*
General Business—Order of the Day relating to Private Senators’ Bills

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)

# Aged Care Amendment (Ratio of Skilled Staff to Care Recipients) Bill 2017—
(subject to introduction)

On 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.)
On 12 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 15 August 2017

1 Senator Leyonhjelm: 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.

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—Notice of Motion

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

*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—Orders of the Day

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


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


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—Order 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.)

Eleven 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].

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

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

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

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

Twelve 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—Order of the Day
1 Political Influence of Donations—Select Committee
Report to be presented.

Thirteen 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].
Fourteen 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. (Refered 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
- Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 30 March 2017; reporting date: 6 September 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 22 June 2017; reporting date: 7 September 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)

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 6 September 2017)

Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer) Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Telecommunications (Regional Broadband Scheme) Charge Bill 2017 [provisions] ‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 22 June 2017; reporting date: 6 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.

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**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.

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**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
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;

(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)

**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.
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)
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)
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 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)
   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 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)
   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 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)
   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 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 of the Senate

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Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cyber Security |
| **Senator the Honourable Fiona Nash**  
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Minister for Local Government and Territories  
Minister for Regional Communications  
Deputy Leader of The Nationals | Deputy Prime Minister  
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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Minister for Urban Infrastructure  
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Minister for Aged Care  
Minister for Indigenous Health |
| **Senator the Honourable Mathias Cormann**  
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Minister for Revenue and Financial Services  
Minister for Small Business |
| **Senator the Honourable Nigel Scullion**  
Minister for Indigenous Affairs  
Leader of The Nationals in the Senate | Minister for Resources and Northern Australia |
| **Senator the Honourable Mitchell (Mitch) Fifield**  
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Minister for the Arts  
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| **Senator the Honourable Marise Payne**  
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Minister for Defence Personnel |
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| **Senator the Honourable Arthur Sinodinos AO**  
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| **Senator the Honourable Concetta Fierravanti-Wells**  
Minister for International Development and the Pacific | |
| **Senator the Honourable Scott Ryan**  
Special Minister of State  
Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cabinet  
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Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister |
| **Senator the Honourable Zed Seselja**  
Assistant Minister for Social Services and Multicultural Affairs |
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