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BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Notices of Motion

Notice given 18 April 2016

*1 Senator Muir: To move—That the Road Safety Remuneration Repeal Bill 2016 be referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 28 April 2016.

*2 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—
(1) That the following matter be referred to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee for inquiry and report by 4 May 2016:
The outcomes of the 42nd meeting of the Council of Australian Governments held on 1 April 2016, with particular reference to:
(a) schools funding;
(b) hospitals funding; and
(c) taxation; and
(2) That the Senate directs the responsible ministers to ensure that relevant officials of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Treasury appear before the committee to answer questions.

*3 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—
(1) That the following matter be referred to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee for inquiry and report by 4 May 2016:
Commonwealth legislative provisions relating to oversight of associated entities of political parties, with particular reference to the adequacy of:
(a) the funding and disclosure regime relating to annual returns;
(b) the powers of the Australian Electoral Commission with respect to supervision of the conduct of, and reporting by, associated entities of political parties; and
(c) any related matters; and
(2) That the Senate direct Senator Sinodinos to appear before the committee to answer questions.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Order of the Day

*1 Governor-General’s Opening Speech
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Senator Brandis)—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 (Senator Lines, in continuation, 18 April 2016).

GENERAL BUSINESS

A complete list of all general business notices of motion and orders of the day outstanding for the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016) can be found in the document

Business outstanding as at midnight on 17 April 2016 due to prorogation of the first session of the 44th Parliament at 5 pm on Friday, 15 April 2016

Notices of Motion

Notice given 18 April 2016

*1114 Senator Back: To move—that, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the Criminal Code Amendment (Animal Protection) Bill 2015 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of the bill be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament.

*1115 Senator Leyonhjelm: To move—that the Senate notes:
(a) tobacco taxes fall disproportionately on the poor;
(b) Australia’s taxation of tobacco is already high by international standards; and
(c) higher tobacco taxes will promote the production and smuggling of illicit tobacco by organised crime.

*1116 Senator McKenzie: To move—that:
(a) pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a) the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament; and
(b) in accordance with standing order 115(3), further consideration of the bill be made an order of the day for 20 June 2016.

*1117 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—that the Senate—
(a) notes that:
   (i) corruption in any sector of society is unacceptable and threatens the fabric of our democracy, and
   (ii) the Government’s attempt to legislate the Australian Building and Construction Commission is not about corruption, but the enforcement of anti-worker laws; and
(b) calls on the Government to immediately legislate to establish a national Anti-Corruption Commission to address corruption among public officials and politicians that threatens the fabric of our democracy.
Senator Rhiannon: To move—That:

(a) pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament; and

(b) in accordance with standing order 115(3), further consideration of the bill be made an order of the day for 17 June 2016.

Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the following bills be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of each of the bills be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament:

- National Integrity Commission Bill 2013
- Mining Subsidies Legislation Amendment (Raising Revenue) Bill 2014
- Corporations Amendment (Publish What You Pay) Bill 2014
- Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Alpine Grazing) Bill 2014
- Private Health Insurance Amendment (GP Services) Bill 2014
- Migration Amendment (Visa Maximum Numbers Determinations) Bill 2013
- Migration Amendment (Humanitarian Visa Intake) Bill 2014
- Recognition of Foreign Marriages Bill 2014
- Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2013
- Guardian for Unaccompanied Children Bill 2014
- Migration Amendment (Protecting Babies Born in Australia) Bill 2014
- Defence Legislation Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2015
- Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Reducing Barriers for Minor Parties) Bill 2014
- Live Animal Export (Slaughter) Prohibition Bill 2014
- End Cruel Cosmetics Bill 2014
- Native Title Amendment (Reform) Bill 2014
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Amendment (A Stronger Land Account) Bill 2014
- Save Our Sharks Bill 2014
- Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Caring for Single Parents) Bill 2014
- Social Security Amendment (Caring for People on Newstart) Bill 2014
- Stop Dumping on the Great Barrier Reef Bill 2014
- Great Barrier Reef Legislation Amendment Bill 2014
- Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Donations Reform) Bill 2014
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Country of Origin Food Labelling) Bill 2015
- Landholders’ Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015
- Australian Centre for Social Cohesion Bill 2015
International Aid (Promoting Gender Equality) Bill 2015
Charter of Budget Honesty Amendment (Intergenerational Report) Bill 2015
Automotive Transformation Scheme Amendment (Securing the Automotive Component Industry) Bill 2015
Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Prohibition of Live Imports of Primates for Research) Bill 2015
Migration Amendment (Free the Children) Bill 2016
Restoring Territory Rights (Dying with Dignity) Bill 2016
Trade and Foreign Investment (Protecting the Public Interest) Bill 2014.

Senator Wang: To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the Commonwealth Grants Commission Amendment (GST Distribution) Bill 2015 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of the bill be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament.

Senator Muir: To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the Social Security Amendment (Diabetes Support) Bill 2016 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of the bill be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament.

Senator Carr: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister for Education and Training, no later than 9.30 am on Wednesday, 20 April 2016, a copy of the report of the Research Infrastructure Review.

Senator Moore: To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(b), a message be sent to the House of Representatives requesting the House to resume consideration of ‘A Bill for an Act to amend the Social Security (Administration) Act 1999, and for related purposes’ [Social Security (Administration) Amendment (Consumer Lease Exclusion) Bill 2015], which was transmitted to the House of Representatives for its concurrence during the last session of Parliament, and the proceedings on the bill having been interrupted by the prorogation of Parliament.

Senator Moore: To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the following bills be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of each of the bills be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament:

Privacy Amendment (Privacy Alerts) Bill 2014
Freedom of Information Amendment (Requests and Reasons) Bill 2015
Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security Amendment Bill 2015.

Senator Moore: To move—That:

(a) pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a) the Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament; and

(b) further consideration of the bill be made an order of the day for the next day of sitting and that it be considered on Thursday, 21 April 2016, under standing order 57(1)(d)(i) relating to consideration of private senators’ bills.
*1126 Senator Siewert: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that 15 April 2016 marked 25 years since the release of the report of
the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody in 1991;

(b) recognises that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples:
   (i) are imprisoned at a rate 13 times higher than that of non-Indigenous
       people, and are estimated to make up 3 per cent of the Australian
       population, but 27 per cent of the prison population, and
   (ii) constituted 14 per cent of the prison population in 1991, but now
       make up 27 per cent of the prison population;

(c) acknowledges that more than 204 Aboriginal people have died in custody
since the release of the Royal Commission report;

(d) expresses its concern that a quarter of a century later, many of the Royal
Commission’s recommendations have not been fully implemented; and

(e) calls on the Commonwealth and state and territory governments to:
   (i) implement in full the recommendations of the Royal Commission
       into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, and
   (ii) adopt justice targets in order to close the gap and to change the
       record on the rates of incarceration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait
       Islander peoples.

*1127 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—That the
Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) the confidence and trust in the financial services industry has been
       shaken by ongoing revelations of scandals, which have resulted in
       tens of thousands of Australians being ripped off, including:
       (A) retirees who have had their retirement savings gutted,
       (B) families who have been rorted out of hundreds of thousands
           of dollars,
       (C) small business owners who have lost everything, and
       (D) life insurance policy holders who have been denied justice,
   (ii) the first 3 months of 2016 alone have seen:
       (A) allegations of serious misconduct in the insurance industry,
       (B) the launch of an investigation into several banks for bank
           bill swap rate fixing, and
       (C) allegations that major financial institutions have supported
           systematic tax avoidance as a result of the disclosure of the
           Panama Papers,
   (iii) it is clear from the breadth and scope of the allegations that the
       problems in this industry go beyond any one bank or type of
       financial institution,
   (iv) on 6 April 2016, the Prime Minister himself said ‘There have been
       too many troubling incidents over recent times for them simply to
       be dismissed’,
   (v) Australian Labor Party, the Australian Greens, crossbench,
       Australian Liberal Party and The Nationals parliamentarians have
       supported further investigation of these allegations through a Royal
       Commission, and
(vi) Australia has one of the strongest banking systems in the world, but Australians must have confidence in their banks and financial institutions, making it necessary to sweep away doubt and uncover and deal with unethical behaviour that compromises that confidence; and

(b) calls on the Prime Minister to request His Excellency the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia issue Letters Patent to establish a Royal Commission to inquire into misconduct in the banking and financial services industry.

*1128 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong): To move—That, for the first 30 days of the second session of the 44th Parliament, the provisions of standing order 74(5) apply to questions on notice lodged in the first session of this Parliament and which remained unanswered at the prorogation of the Parliament, as if the prorogation did not occur.

*1129 Senators Polley and Lambie: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Aged Care, no later than 3.30 pm on Wednesday, 20 April 2016, a copy of the ‘Aged Care Roadmap’ developed by the Aged Care Sector Committee and delivered to the Minister in December 2015.

*1130 Senator Smith: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that on 8 November 2015, Myanmar held its first openly contested election in 25 years;

(b) congratulates the people of Myanmar on the peaceful and efficient conduct of the election, which was a powerful demonstration of the people’s wish to transition to democracy;

(c) notes:

(i) the result of the election, which delivered a significant majority to the National League for Democracy (NLD), the political movement led by pro-democracy campaigner Ms Aung San Suu Kyi,

(ii) the election by Myanmar’s Union Parliament on 15 March 2016 of Mr Htin Kyaw as President, and

(iii) the election of Mr Henry Van Thio to the office of Second Vice-President, and its particular significance for the Chin and Christian communities of Myanmar, given this is the most senior office to be held by a Chin person since the Union of Burma was formed in 1947; and

(d) recognises that the selection of the Myanmar’s president and vice-presidents is an important step in its political transition, whilst noting the need for further reforms to strengthen representative government in that country.

*1131 Senator Rice: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Turnbull Government is yet to commit funding to any major public transport projects in our urban centres,
(ii) the recent audit of East West Link federal funding showed significant flaws in the Liberal Government’s approvals and funding decisions for that proposed project, and that there are strikingly similar features of the funding decisions for WestConnex and Perth Freight Link toll roads,

(iii) communities in Sydney, Perth and Melbourne are standing up and saying they do not want more polluting toll roads pushed through their urban neighbourhoods, and

(iv) investment in well-designed public transport infrastructure is a more effective, economic, equitable and less polluting means of tackling congestion than new toll road projects; and

(b) calls on the Government to withdraw funding for WestConnex and the Perth Freight Link, and prioritise funding for public transport in our major urban centres before polluting toll roads that further embed car-dependence in our cities.

*1132 Senator Cameron: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) is a Commonwealth statutory authority established in 1993 to centralise the registration of all agricultural and veterinary chemical products into the Australian marketplace, replacing separate state and territory government systems of registration,

(ii) the APVMA’s activities are mostly funded through cost recovery, in accordance with the agreement which established the National Registration Scheme,

(iii) most of the APVMA’s operational income is collected from registrants of pesticides and veterinary medicines, who pay application fees to register products, and an annual fee to maintain product registrations, and also pay levies based on the annual wholesale sales value of registered products,

(iv) the APVMA uses independent expert scientific advice to inform and guide regulatory decisions,

(v) the APVMA is responsible for protecting people, animals, crops, the environment and trade,

(vi) the APVMA currently employs up to 200 people, comprising 90 regulatory scientists, officers who audit and license manufacturing premises, lawyers, compliance staff, a significant information technology section and case managers,

(vii) there is a significant training element for staff working at the APVMA,

(viii) since 2014, the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources has sought to move the APVMA to Armidale without undertaking a cost-benefit analysis, and

(ix) in January 2016, the Government committed to undertaking a cost-benefit analysis; and
(b) calls on the Government to:
   (i) fulfil its commitment to an independent and transparent cost-benefit analysis, and
   (ii) make the final report public before the 2016 election is called.

*1133 Senator Lines and Sterle: To move—That the Senate calls on the Government to immediately accept the findings and the recommendations from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Evaluation Project Kimberley Roundtable Report, commissioned by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, and to immediately, and as a matter of urgency, implement the key recommendations from that report.

*1134 Senator Moore: To move—
(1) That the estimates hearings by legislation committees for 2016-17 Budget estimates be scheduled as follows:
   Thursday, 5 May (Group A), and
   Friday, 6 May (Group B);
(2) That the orders of the Senate of 26 August 2008 and 23 June 2015 cross portfolio estimates hearings on Indigenous matters not be proceeded with for the Budget Estimates 2016-17 only.
(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) The 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) The committees report to the Senate by 11 May 2016.
(6) That the Senate not meet on Thursday 5 May 2016.

*1135 Senator Ludlam: To move—That:
(a) the Senate notes:
   (i) as the Prime Minister (Mr Turnbull) stated on 15 November 2010, when in Opposition, that it would beggar belief that a government could be so reckless as to allow such a massive investment to proceed without the publication of a business case, without the ongoing scrutiny of a parliamentary committee and, above all, without a rigorous cost-benefit analysis, and that any major infrastructure project must be subject to a rigorous cost-benefit analysis and if it does not pass a rigorous cost-benefit analysis then it necessarily detracts from Australia’s wellbeing,
   (ii) the resolution of the Senate of 14 October 2015 proposed by a senator from The Nationals that noted the importance of significant funding proposals being accompanied by detailed business cases
and subject to a full assessment process, including by Infrastructure Australia, if $100 million or more of Commonwealth funding is sought, to ensure value for taxpayers’ money;

(iii) the announcement on 12 April 2016 by the Prime Minister of an additional $260 million for the Perth Freight Link, bringing the total federal contribution to $1.2 billion for a project with no business case; and

(iv) the ongoing deterioration in Western Australia’s budget position, with the recent downgrading of Western Australia’s Triple A credit rating to AA2, the second credit downgrading in 18 months;

(b) there be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, no later than 4 pm on Wednesday, 20 April 2016, the following:

(i) any correspondence between any minister and/or member of the federal bureaucracy with any minister and/or member of the state bureaucracy on the decision to provide an additional $260 million funding for the Perth Freight Link tunnel and the related public announcement, including any requests or proposals for additional funding from either government, any costings, briefing notes, speaking points, designs, maps, availability and type of tunnelling infrastructure, and related documents;

(ii) any correspondence between the Federal Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), or any member of the Federal Government and any member of the Western Australian Government, including the Premier (Mr Barnett), relating to expediting the federal funding of the Perth Freight Link project;

(iii) the business case and cost-benefit analysis for the Perth Freight Link Tunnel; and

(iv) a list of every National Partnership Agreement for infrastructure projects that have received over $100 million in federal funding from the Abbott-Turnbull Federal Government without a published business case and cost-benefit analysis.

*1136 Senator Smith: To move—That the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit be authorised to hold private meetings otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sittings of the Senate, as follows:

(a) Thursday, 28 April 2016, from 10.30 am;

(b) Tuesday, 3 May 2016, from 11.30 am; and

(c) Thursday, 5 May 2016, from 10.30 am.

*1138 Senator Lambie, Leader of the Glenn Lazarus Team (Senator Lazarus), Senators Xenophon and Madigan: To move—That the Senate calls on the Government to:

(a) merge the anti-dumping and safeguards functions into one agency, for example, the Anti-Dumping and Safeguards Commission, as occurs in the United States of America (US) and other jurisdictions;

(b) enable anti-dumping applications to be made by industry bodies and trade unions by amending the interested parties definition;
(c) enable and resource the Anti-Dumping Commission (ADC) to:
   (i) conduct faster and more comprehensive investigations particularly around circumvention countervailing activity,
   (ii) share data with overseas jurisdictions that have conducted their own investigations and imposed significantly higher duties, and
   (iii) regularly ‘benchmark’ remedies on like products with other jurisdictions around the world, and in particular the US, Asia and the European Union;

(d) commit additional resources to the ADC to enable independent verification in investigations of importer data and documentation in all applications to ensure the integrity of these processes;

(e) mandate through legislation the use of Australian-made steel in all public procurement, and ensure that all federal grants to the states for infrastructure projects do the same;

(f) apply and enforce enhanced and agreed Australian Steel Standards and Specifications which should be enforced in all federal publicly-funded projects and grants to states for this purpose and apply at every subcontracted level of activity;

(g) ensure all defence and security-sensitive procurement of steel to be Australian-made where those products are locally-produced and can, in a reasonable timeframe, be made in Australia; and

(h) develop and implement, in consultation with industry, union and community stakeholders, an Australian steel industry sustainability plan to incorporate a holistic suite of reforms and measures such as the ones listed above to ensure the survival of this industry.

*1139 Senator Xenophon: To move—That—
   (a) so much of standing orders be suspended as would prevent this resolution having effect;
   (b) the Parliamentary Entitlements Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament; and
   (c) further consideration of the bill be made an order of the day for the next day of sitting, and that the bill have precedence over all other Government business on 2 May 2016 and following sitting days until it is finally determined.

*1140 Senator Xenophon: To move—That the Senate—
   (a) notes that:
      (i) the Minister for Defence has declined to provide documents commissioned from Macroeconomics.com.au Pty Ltd relating to the potential impact on the Australian economy in accordance with the 17 November 2014 order for production of documents,
      (ii) on 23 February 2016 the Minister advanced a public interest immunity claim that the Department of Defence commissioned the documents to inform the Cabinet’s consideration of the build of the future submarine,
      (iii) in 1975 the Senate by resolution laid out its position with respect to public interest immunity claims indicating that, while the Senate
may permit claims of public interest immunity to be advanced, it reserves the right to determine whether any particular claim will be accepted.

(iv) on 3 March 2016 a further order for production of documents was made by the Senate requiring the Minister for Defence to provide the basis for the public interest immunity claim made in the Senate on 23 February 2016, and

(v) on 16 March 2016 the Minister failed to comply with the order for production of documents of 3 March 2016 indicating that the Government would not disclose legal advice; and

(b) does not accept the public interest immunity claim made by the Minister for Defence in relation to the order for production of documents of 17 November 2014, and that there be laid on the table by the Minister for Defence, by the next day of sitting, the documents commissioned from Macroeconomics.com.au Pty Ltd, including economic modelling and other examination of the potential economic impact of the SEA1000 submarine project on the Australian economy, among other subjects.

*1141 Senator Xenophon: To move—That:

(a) pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a) the Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament; and

(b) in accordance with standing order 115(3), further consideration of the bill be made an order of the day for Thursday, 12 May 2016.

*1142 Senator Xenophon: To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the following bills be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of each of the bills be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament:

- Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Amendment Bill 2013
- Poker Machine Harm Reduction ($1 Bets and Other Measures) Bill 2012 [2013]
- Reserve Bank Amendment (Australian Reconstruction and Development Board) Bill 2013
- Anti-Money Laundering Amendment (Gaming Machine Venues) Bill 2012 [2013]
- Interactive Gambling and Broadcasting Amendment (Online Transactions and Other Measures) Bill 2011 [2013]
- Public Service Amendment (Payments in Special Circumstances) Bill 2011 [2013]
- Foreign Acquisitions Amendment (Agricultural Land) Bill 2010 [2013]
- Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2013
- Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2014
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Local Content) Bill 2014
- Australian Government Boards (Gender Balanced Representation) Bill 2015
Parliamentary Entitlements Amendment (Transparency and Accountability) Bill 2015.

**1143 Senator Carr:** To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes with concern that one of Australia’s major steel manufacturers, Arrium OneSteel, has recently been placed into administration, highlighting the risk to Whyalla’s economy and our national steelmaking capabilities;

(b) recognises the multiple pressures currently being experienced by the Australian steel industry, including the impact of a global oversupply of steel;

(c) further notes the worrying evidence presented to the Senate inquiry into Australia’s steel industry on the widespread importation and use of structural steel that does not meet Australian standards and presents a threat to public safety;

(d) notes the plan announced by the Australian Labor Party to support Australia’s strategically-significant metals manufacturing industries, particularly the steel industry, by:
   (i) ensuring Australian standards are upheld in Federal Government-funded projects, and supporting local steel producers meet certification standards,
   (ii) seeking to maximise the use of locally-produced steel in Federal Government-funded projects, and put in place regular reporting of usage levels,
   (iii) halving the thresholds for projects required to have an Australian Industry Participation Plans from $500 million down to $250 million for private projects, and from $20 million to $10 million for public projects,
   (iv) doubling funding for the Australian Industry Participation (AIP) Authority and appointing an AIP Board,
   (v) ensuring Australia’s anti-dumping system has the right powers and penalties in place,
   (vi) creating a national Steel Supplier Advocate; and
   (vii) establishing a tripartite Metals Manufacturing Investment Council to work closely with the Federal Government to deliver these measures;

(c) condemns the Turnbull Government’s failure to take a comprehensive approach to securing the future of Australia’s steel industry; and

(f) calls on the Government to take serious action to support Australia’s strategically-significant manufacturing industries, particularly the steel industry.

**1144 Minister for Communications (Senator Fifield), and Senators Moore and Siewert:** To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:
   (i) World Down Syndrome Day was celebrated internationally on 21 March 2016, and the theme for this year’s commemoration is ‘My Friends, My Community’, and
(ii) people with Down syndrome must be able to enjoy full and equal rights to include the opportunity to participate fully in their communities;

(b) recognises that, sadly, the reality remains for many that prevailing negative attitudes result in low expectations, discrimination and exclusion; and

(c) joins with Down Syndrome Australia, Down Syndrome International and the Australian Down syndrome community in:

(i) supporting the ‘My Friends, My Community’ conversation, and

notes that when children with Down syndrome are given opportunities to participate, all children benefit from this shared environment of friendship, acceptance and respect for everyone and high expectations are created, and

(ii) acknowledging these environments prepare all today’s children for life as tomorrow’s adults, enabling adults with Down syndrome to live, work, and participate, with confidence and individual autonomy, fully included in society alongside their friends and peers.

*1145 Senators Simms and Hanson-Young: To move—That the Senate—

(a) acknowledges that:

(i) the Australian steelworks manufacturing industry has been an important part of the Australian economy for almost 100 years, and

(ii) this is a difficult time for South Australian employees at Arrium OneSteel and the Whyalla community, with Arrium recently going into administration; and

(b) calls on the Government to:

(i) provide urgent mental health support to the Whyalla community as part of any plan to assist in securing the future of the steel industry in South Australia,

(ii) invest in the development of greenhouse gas reducing steel-making technologies,

(iii) adopt a mandatory use of Australian Standards to assess the quality compliance of all steel-related building products used in Australia,

(iv) develop a legislated national procurement policy that ensures all government infrastructure and construction projects use at least 90 per cent locally-produced steel,

(v) as a condition of such a procurement policy, require that Australian steel producers adopt renewable sources of energy for the steel production process,

(vi) recognise that the Trans-Pacific Partnership and other free trade deals prevent federal and state governments from adopting such procurement policies should they be signed, and

(vii) reject the Trans-Pacific Partnership to protect South Australian jobs.

*1146 Senator Hanson-Young: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, no later than 9.30 am on Thursday, 21 April 2016:

(a) any, and all, documents in the Australian Government’s possession, including, and in relation to:
(i) any contracts between Broadspectrum (formerly known as Transfield Services) and its subcontractor Wilson Security in relation to operations on Nauru and Manus Island, Papua New Guinea,
(ii) any sub-contracts engaged in by Wilson Security and other entities in relation to operations on Nauru and Manus Island, Papua New Guinea, and
(iii) any contracts between the Australian Government and Wilson Security in relation to the Government and its agencies;

(b) any, and all, documents in the Australian Government’s possession pertaining to the procurement and due diligence process undertaken prior to the awarding of any contracts between:

(i) the Australian Government and Broadspectrum, and its subcontractor Wilson Security, in relation to operations on Nauru and Manus Island, Papua New Guinea, including Wilson Security’s directorship and or the Kwok family, and
(ii) the Australian Government and Wilson Security in relation to the Government and its agencies, including Wilson Security’s directorship and or the Kwok family; and

(c) any, and all, documents in relation to the Department of Immigration and Border Protection’s internal investigation, and or review, into Wilson Security’s role in relation on Nauru and Manus Island as reported in the *Australian* on 7 April 2016.

*1147 Senator Waters: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the unprecedented coral bleaching on the Great Barrier Reef which the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority describes as the worst ever mass bleaching event,
(ii) the devastating bushfires affecting areas of Tasmania’s Wilderness World Heritage Area which have not been burned in centuries and which may never recover,
(iii) the fact that 2014 and 2015 were both the hottest year on record, and that the United Kingdom Meteorological Office predicts that 2016 will also be the hottest year on record,
(iv) that ordinary Australians are leading the way in calling for action on global warming, in particular, the students at the University of Queensland who have occupied the Chancellery Building calling on the University to divest from fossil fuels, and
(v) that fossil fuel companies have made $3.7 million in political donations to the Coalition and the Australian Labor Party since the 2013 election; and

(b) calls on all political parties to:

(i) support a legislative ban on fossil fuel donations, and
(ii) refuse to accept any more fossil fuel donations.
Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes:

(i) the recommendations of the 2014 Economics References Committee inquiry into the performance of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission,
(ii) the misconduct that has been uncovered in the financial planning arms of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, National Australia Bank, ANZ Bank and Macquarie Bank,
(iii) that IOOF are being investigated for insider trading and front-running,
(iv) that the insurance arm of the Commonwealth Bank is alleged to have unfairly and fraudulently denied life insurance claims,
(v) that court proceedings have been initiated against ANZ Bank and Westpac for manipulation of the bank-bill swap rate, and
(vi) the lending practices of ANZ Bank and Bendigo Bank that contributed to the collapse of forestry managed investment schemes;

(b) calls on the Government to establish a Royal Commission into misconduct in the banking financial services sector; and

(c) notes that the Australian Greens moved a motion for the Senate to support a Royal Commission on 24 June 2015.

Senator Rhiannon: To move—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

(i) there is strong evidence that Leighton Holdings paid millions of dollars to Unaoil in 2010 and 2011, and was involved in serious corruption in Iraq,
(ii) since 2010, Leighton Holdings has donated at least $143,000 to the federal Liberal Party of Australia and the Australian Labor Party,
(iii) in 2014-15 the property industry donated $1.8 million to the Liberal Party of Australia and $591,167 to the Australian Labor Party,
(iv) in 2014-15, Westpac, ANZ, NAB, the Commonwealth Bank and the Macquarie Group donated $1,057,361 to the major parties, and
(v) the High Court of Australia in a 2015 case on developer donations noted that private patronage of candidates and members of Parliament may, over time, become so necessary as to sap the vitality, as well as the integrity, of the political branches of government; and

(b) calls on the Liberal Party of Australia and the Australian Labor Party to donate the equivalent amount of money received from:

(i) Leighton Holdings since 2010 to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Iraq Emergency Appeal, and
(ii) the above five banks to organisations that assist people with financial distress.
*1150 **Senator Lambie:** To move—That, pursuant to standing order 136(1)(a), the Veterans’ Entitlements Amendment (Expanded Gold Card Access) Bill 2015 be restored to the Notice Paper and that consideration of the bill be resumed at the stage reached in the last session of the Parliament.

**DOCUMENTS**

A complete list of all documents outstanding for the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016) can be found in the document Business outstanding as at midnight on 17 April 2016 due to prorogation of the first session of the 44th Parliament at 5 pm on Friday, 15 April 2016

**COMMITTEE REPORTS AND GOVERNMENT RESPONSES**

A complete list of all committee reports and government responses outstanding for the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016) can be found in the document Business outstanding as at midnight on 17 April 2016 due to prorogation of the first session of the 44th Parliament at 5 pm on Friday, 15 April 2016

**Orders of the Day**

*33 **Economics References Committee—Report—Cooperative, mutual and member-owned firms—Corrigendum**
  Consideration (*18 April 2016*).

*34 **Murray-Darling Basin Plan—Select Committee—Report—Refreshing the Plan—Corrigendum**
  Consideration (*18 April 2016*).

*35 **Economics References Committee—Development of bauxite resources near Aurukun—Interim report**
  Consideration (*18 April 2016*).

*36 **Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee—Additional estimates 2015-16—Report**
  Consideration (*18 April 2016*).

*37 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Large capacity fishing vessels—Interim report**
  Consideration (*18 April 2016*).

*38 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Marine plastic pollution—Interim and second interim reports**
  Consideration (*18 April 2016*).
BUSINESS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (20 April 2016)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Final report to be presented on marine plastic pollution.

General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 18 April 2016

*1137 Senator Rhiannon: To move—That the Senate—

   (a) notes that:

       (i) electricity network operators in New South Wales are in the process of shedding thousands of jobs,
(ii) in the past 12 months, Ausgrid has shed 879 jobs, Endeavour Energy 155 jobs and Essential Energy 350 regional jobs through voluntary redundancy, and further job cuts are being pursued,

(iii) on 7 March 2016, Essential Energy filed an application with the Fair Work Commission to terminate the Essential Energy Enterprise Agreement 2013 which, if successful, will allow the company to significantly reduce workers’ pay and conditions and deliver widespread forced redundancies,

(iv) a decision by the Fair Work Commission called Aurizon Operations Limited and others [2015] FWCFCB 540 (22 April 2015) set a dangerous precedent for the termination of agreements without the consent of employees or their unions, and

(v) further job losses in New South Wales electricity distribution businesses will cause significant economic and social harm and negatively impact on the safety and security of the electricity network; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to amend section 225 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* to:

(i) prevent an employer from applying to the Fair Work Commission to have an enterprise agreement that has passed its nominal expiry date terminated, and

(ii) require employers and workers to undertake negotiation and conciliation and, where necessary, arbitration in the Fair Work Commission to determine a new and fair enterprise agreement.

**On 22 April 2016**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

   Final report to be presented on corporate tax avoidance.

**On 28 April 2016**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

   Final report to be presented on the foreign investment review framework.

**On 29 April 2016**

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Economics References Committee

   Report to be presented on the gender retirement income gap.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

   Report to be presented on the Perth Freight Link.

3 Environment and Communications References Committee

   Report to be presented on Australia’s video game development industry.
On 30 April 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the operations of Defence Housing Australia.

On 5 May 2016

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 10 May 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian Defence Force resistance to interrogation training.

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on non-conforming building products.

3 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 11 May 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Transport Security Amendment (Serious or Organised Crime) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

2 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on contamination caused by firefighting foams at government sites other than RAAF Base Williamtown and Australian Defence Force facilities.

3 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the partial suspension of sanctions against Iran.
On 12 May 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the future role and contribution of regional capitals.

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

4 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australia’s bilateral aid program in Papua New Guinea.

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

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

7 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 19 May 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on airport and aviation security at Australian airports.

On 30 May 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 3 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on aspects of road safety in Australia.
On 10 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Final report to be presented on development of bauxite resources near Aurukun.

On 13 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the impact of Commonwealth legislation, policies and guidelines.

On 17 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 20 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Health—Select Committee
   Final report to be presented.

2 Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures—Select Committee
   Final report to be presented.

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

4 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

5 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Welfare Payment Integrity) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

6 Community Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Interest Charge) Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)
7 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Customs and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 22 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on carbon risk disclosure.

3 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
   Report to be presented on the use of Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia.

4 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on Commonwealth payments relating to asylum seeker boat turn backs.

5 Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee
   Report to be presented on the financing of participants in the political process.

On 23 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on paper procurement.

2 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the medical complaints process.

On 28 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees
   Reports to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

On 29 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on planned acquisition of the Joint Strike Fighter.
On the last sitting day in June 2016 (30 June 2016)

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on a national registration system for paramedics.

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

On 30 June 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Unconventional Gas Mining—Select Committee
   Final report to be presented.

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

3 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the reduction of alcohol-fuelled violence.

4 Economics References Committee
   Final report to be presented on Australia’s naval ship building industry.

5 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on residential fire safety.

As soon as practicable after 30 June each year

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee
   Annual report to be presented on the activities of the committee during the year.

On 1 July 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 27 July 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on penalties for white collar crime or misconduct.
On 30 July 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 24 August 2016

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on gender inequality.

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
   Final report to be presented on large capacity fishing vessels.

On 25 August 2015

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services.

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

On 30 August 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 School Funding Investment—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 31 August 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 14 September 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the collapse of listed retailers.
On the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2016 (21 September 2016)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legislation Committees
- Reports to be presented on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2016.

On 22 September 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Establishment of a National Integrity Commission—Select Committee
- Report to be presented.

On the first sitting day in December 2016 (1 December 2016)

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
- Report to be presented on the access by children to Internet pornography.

On 31 December 2016

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
- Report to be presented on the regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea.

No later than 24 hours after an event relating to ‘on water operations’

Order for Production of Documents

1 Immigration—Asylum seekers—Ministerial briefings and correspondence—Order for production of documents
- By the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, no later than 24 hours after an event relating to ‘on water operations’, all communications relating to that event. (Motion of Senator Hanson-Young agreed to 14 November 2013; document received 18 November 2013 and tabled 2 December 2013; documents tabled 2 December 2013; motion in relation to compliance agreed to 3 December 2013; document tabled 4 December 2013.)

On the last day of sitting of the 44th Parliament

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 National Broadband Network—Select Committee
- Final report to be presented.
BILLS REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015‡±
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 3 December 2015; reporting date: 20 June 2016).

Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions]; ‡ ±
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 3 March 2016; reporting date: 12 May 2016).

Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016‡±
Referred to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee (referred 3 March 2016; reporting date: 17 June 2016).

Customs and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]; ‡ ±
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 20 June 2016).

Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015‡±
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 15 October 2015; reporting date: 12 May 2016).

Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016‡±
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 10 May 2016).

Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015‡±
Referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee (referred 26 November 2015; reporting date: 12 May 2016).

Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]; ‡ ±
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 10 May 2016).

Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]; ‡ ±
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 12 May 2016).

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Welfare Payment Integrity) Bill 2016 [Provisions]; ‡ ±
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 3 March 2016; reporting date: 20 June 2016).

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Interest Charge) Bill 2016 [Provisions]; ‡ ±
Referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 3 March 2016; reporting date: 20 June 2016).
Transport Security Amendment (Serious or Organised Crime) Bill 2016
[Provisions]‡ ±
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred
25 February 2016; reporting date: 11 May 2016).

Further information about the progress of these bills may be found in the Senate Bills List.
‡ Reference adopted by the Senate following a recommendation of the Selection of Bills
Committee
± Business outstanding as at 17 April 2016 due to prorogation of the first session of the
44th Parliament at 5 pm on Friday, 15 April 2016

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills
Australian National Preventive Health Agency (Abolition) Bill 2014
Second reading negatived, 25 November 2014†.

Automotive Transformation Scheme Amendment Bill 2014
Discharged from Notice Paper, 25 March 2015†.

Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013
Second reading negatived, 17 August 2015†.

Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Second reading negatived, 18 April 2016.

Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme Bill 2014
Business Services Wage Assessment Tool Payment Scheme (Consequential
Amendments) Bill 2014
Question that the bills be agreed to was negatived in committee of the whole,
24 November 2014†.
Recommitted, 15 March 2015†.

Clean Energy Finance Corporation (Abolition) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Second reading negatived, 18 June 2014†.

Clean Energy Finance Corporation (Abolition) Bill 2013
Second reading negatived, 10 December 2013†.

Clean Energy (Income Tax Rates and Other Amendments) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Second reading negatived, 9 July 2014†.
Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Manufacture Levy) Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
True-up Shortfall Levy (General) (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
True-up Shortfall Levy (Excise) (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
Customs Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
Excise Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
Clean Energy (Income Tax Rates and Other Amendments) Bill 2013
Third reading negatived, 20 March 2014†.
Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
True-up Shortfall Levy (Excise) (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
True-up Shortfall Levy (General) (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Customs Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Excise Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Manufacture Levy) Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
Question that the bills be agreed to was negatived in committee of the whole, 10 July 2014†.
Climate Change Authority (Abolition) Bill 2013
Second reading negatived, 3 March 2014†.
Communications Legislation Amendment (SBS Advertising Flexibility and Other Measures) Bill 2015
Second reading negatived, 24 June 2015†.
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2013
Second reading negatived, 14 May 2014†.
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014
Second reading negatived, 2 March 2015†.
Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [No. 2]
Second reading negatived, 17 August 2015†.
Higher Education and Research Reform Amendment Bill 2014
Second reading negatived, 2 December 2014†.
Second reading negatived, 17 March 2014†.
Migration Amendment (Regaining Control Over Australia’s Protection Obligations) Bill 2013
Discharged from Notice Paper, 15 October 2015†.

Minerals Resource Rent Tax Repeal and Other Measures Bill 2013
Second reading negatived, 25 March 2014†.

Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015
Second reading negatived, 26 November 2015†.

Social Security Legislation Amendment (Stronger Penalties for Serious Failures) Bill 2014
Second reading negatived, 3 September 2014†.

Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2014
Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (2014 Budget Measures No. 2) Bill 2014
Discharged from Notice Paper, 28 October 2014†.

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment and Other Measures) Bill 2015
Second reading negatived, 9 September 2015†.

Private senators’ bills
Defence Legislation Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2014—(Senate bill)
Second reading negatived, 4 September 2014†.

Family Tax Benefit (Tighter Income Test) Bill 2014—(Senate bill)
Second reading negatived, 4 December 2014†.

Food Standards Amendment (Fish Labelling) Bill 2015—(Senate bill)
Second reading negatived, 12 August 2015†.

Landholders’ Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2013—(Senate bill)
Second reading negatived, 6 March 2014†.

† Business transacted during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016).
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

A complete list of all questions on notice unanswered (numbers only) for the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016) can be found in the document

Business outstanding as at midnight on 17 April 2016 due to prorogation of the first session of the 44th Parliament at 5 pm on Friday, 15 April 2016

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

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Comprehensive estimates information, including reports presented, questions taken on notice and answers received is published online at www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Senate_Estimates

2013-14 supplementary Budget estimates†

The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2013-14 supplementary Budget estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications ............................................. Friday, 17 January 2014
- Finance and Public Administration ........................................... Friday, 17 January 2014
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................... Thursday, 16 January 2014
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport................................. Friday, 10 January 2014

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs..................................................................... Friday, 24 January 2014
- Economics .................................................................................. Friday, 17 January 2014
- Education and Employment....................................................... Wednesday, 15 January 2014
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade ........................................... Friday, 17 January 2014

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.

2013-14 additional estimates†

The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2013-14 additional estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications .......................................... Friday, 11 April 2014
- Finance and Public Administration ........................................... Friday, 11 April 2014
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Wednesday, 23 April 2014
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport............................... Thursday, 17 April 2014

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs................................................................. Thursday, 24 April 2014
- Economics ................................................................................. Thursday, 24 April 2014
- Education and Employment..................................................... Thursday, 24 April 2014
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade ........................................ Thursday, 24 April 2014

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.
2014-15 Budget estimates†
The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2014-15 Budget estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications ............................................. Friday, 11 July 2014
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 11 July 2014
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Friday, 25 July 2014
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport .................................. Friday, 25 July 2014

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs ............................................................... Friday, 25 July 2014
- Economics .................................................................................. Friday, 25 July 2014
- Education and Employment ....................................................... Friday, 25 July 2014
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade .......................................... Friday, 25 July 2014

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.

2014-15 Supplementary Budget estimates†
The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2014-15 supplementary Budget estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications —
  - 20 October hearing ...................................................... Friday, 5 December 2014
  - 30 October hearing ...................................................... Friday, 5 December 2014
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 12 December 2014
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs —
  - Attorney-General’s portfolio .............................................. Friday, 12 December 2014
  - Immigration and Border Protection portfolio ....................... Friday, 30 January 2015
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport ............................... Friday, 12 December 2014

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs ............................................................... Friday, 12 December 2014
- Economics —
  - Industry portfolio ......................................................... Friday, 12 December 2014
  - Treasury portfolio .......................................................... Friday, 19 December 2014
- Education and Employment ................................................... Friday, 12 December 2014
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade ....................................... Friday, 12 December 2014

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.

2014-15 additional estimates†
The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2014-15 additional estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications ............................................. Friday, 10 April 2015
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 10 April 2015
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Friday, 17 April 2015
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport .................................. Friday, 17 April 2015

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs ............................................................... Friday, 17 April 2015
- Economics .................................................................................. Friday, 17 April 2015
- Education and Employment ....................................................... Friday, 29 May 2015
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade .......................................... Friday, 17 April 2015

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.
2015-16 Budget estimates†
The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2015-16 Budget estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications .......................................... Friday, 10 July 2015
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 10 July 2015
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Friday, 10 July 2015
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport................................. Friday, 10 July 2015

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs...................................................................... Friday, 10 July 2015
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 10 July 2015
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Friday, 10 July 2015
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport................................. Friday, 10 July 2015

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.

2015-16 Supplementary Budget estimates†
The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2015-16 supplementary Budget estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications .......................................... Friday, 4 December 2015
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 4 December 2015
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Friday, 4 December 2015
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport................................. Friday, 4 December 2015

**Group B:**
- Community Affairs...................................................................... Friday, 4 December 2015
- Economics .................................................................................... Thursday, 24 December 2015
- Education and Employment......................................................... Friday, 4 December 2015
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade ............................................. Friday, 4 December 2015

Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.

2015-16 additional estimates†
The dates set by standing committees for answering questions taken on notice during the 2015-16 additional estimates are as follows:

**Group A:**
- Environment and Communications .......................................... Friday, 8 April 2016
- Finance and Public Administration ............................................. Friday, 1 April 2016
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs ............................................. Friday, 8 April 2016
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport................................. Friday, 1 April 2016
Standing order 74(5) takes effect after these dates.

† Business transacted during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016).

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Temporary orders, orders of continuing effect and changes to standing orders

*1 Address-in-reply—Suspension of standing order 3(4)
That standing order 3(4) be suspended to enable the Senate to consider business other than that of a formal character before the address-in-reply to the Governor-General’s opening speech has been adopted.
(Agreed to 18 April 2016.)

2 Closing the Gap—Prime Minister’s annual report
That the Senate—
(a) notes the national framework agreed to by the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) in 2008 to tackle Indigenous disadvantage and the six priority areas for change identified by COAG;
(b) further notes that there have been five annual reports by the Prime Minister to the Australian Parliament on progress in meeting these Closing the Gap targets;
(c) is of the view that the presentation of these annual reports should be marked by a special parliamentary procedure in recognition of the significance of these initiatives to all Australians;
(d) therefore proposes to the House of Representatives that it consider marking the presentation of the Prime Minister’s annual report on Closing the Gap by:
   (i) hosting a meeting of the House to which senators are invited in a similar manner as senators are invited to attend addresses by foreign Heads of State, and
(ii) inviting senior Indigenous leaders to be present when the Prime Minister’s annual report is presented; and

(e) resolves that, on its presentation to the Senate, the Prime Minister’s annual report on Closing the Gap and accompanying ministerial statement be listed for consideration as a government business order of the day, and that the Government undertake to provide for at least 2 hours consideration of the statement during government business time.

(Agreed to 12 December 2013.)

*3 Meeting of Senate

(1) That the days of meeting of the Senate for the remainder of 2016 be as follows:

(a) Tuesday, 19 April and, if required, Wednesday, 20 April and Thursday, 21 April;

(b) Monday, 2 May to Thursday, 5 May;

(c) Monday, 9 May to Thursday, 12 May; and

(d) Monday, 20 June to Thursday, 23 June
   Monday, 27 June to Thursday, 30 June
   Tuesday, 23 August to Thursday, 25 August
   Monday, 29 August to Thursday, 1 September
   Monday, 19 September to Thursday, 22 September
   Monday, 10 October to Thursday, 13 October
   Monday, 7 November to Thursday, 10 November
   Monday, 21 November to Thursday, 24 November
   Monday, 28 November to Thursday, 1 December.

(2) A day of meeting specified in paragraph (1)(a) shall be taken to be required if the Senate has not finally dealt with the following bills:

   - Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
   - Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
   - Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [No. 3]
   - Road Safety Remuneration Repeal Bill 2016
   - Road Safety Remuneration Amendment (Protecting Owner Drivers) Bill 2016.

(3) That the hours of meeting for Tuesday, 3 May 2016 be from 12.30 pm to 6.30 pm and 8.30 pm to adjournment, and for Thursday, 5 May 2016 be from 9.30 am to 6 pm and 8 pm to adjournment, and that:

   (a) the routine of business from 8.30 pm on Tuesday, 3 May 2016 shall be:
       (i) Budget statement and documents 2016-17, and
       (ii) adjournment; and
   (b) the routine of business from 8 pm on Thursday, 5 May 2016 shall be:
       (i) Budget statement and documents—party leaders and independent senators to make responses to the statement and documents for not more than 30 minutes each, and
       (ii) adjournment.

(Agreed to 18 April 2016.)
4 Motions after tabling—Standing order 169—Temporary order

That the following amendment to standing order 169 operate as a temporary order for the remainder of the Parliament:

At the end of standing order 169, add:

(3) If a ministerial statement is presented to or tabled in the Senate other than in accordance with standing order 61, it shall be in order for a senator to move a motion without notice to take note of the statement. On any such motion, a senator may speak for not more than 10 minutes and paragraph (2) applies to the total time limit for individual or successive motions.

(Agreed to 11 November 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s third report of 2015.)

5 Publications—Standing Committee—Amendment of standing 22(3)(a)

That standing order 22(3)(a) be amended as follows:

Omit “printing,”.

(Agreed to 11 November 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s third report of 2015.)

Administration

6 Privileges—Standing Committee—160th report—Consideration

That the Senate—

(a) adopt the recommendation in the 160th report of the Committee of Privileges, on the use of CCTV material in Parliament House, that no contempt be found in relation to the matter referred; and

(b) adopt the following further recommendations made by the committee:

• That the Presiding Officers instigate the development of a new Code of Practice which restores the focus on matters of security and safety, and emphasises accountability to the Presiding Officers and the Parliament, with appropriate regard for the primacy of the powers, and immunities of the Houses and their members.

• That the review process involve consultations with members and senators and other building occupants, and give consideration to the matters dealt with in this report.

• That senior officers in the Department of Parliamentary Services involved in the administration of the CCTV system and other systems managed on behalf of the Parliament undertake some structured training to acquaint themselves with the principles of privilege.

• That the attention of the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee be drawn to the matters set out from paragraph 2.2, under the heading Contradictory evidence, relating to the misleading evidence given at its estimates hearing on 26 May 2014.

(Agreed to 12 February 2015.)

Committees

7 Amendment of committee names; Allocation of departments

(1) That standing order 25(1) be amended as follows:

Omit ‘Education, Employment and Workplace Relations’

Substitute ‘Education and Employment’.
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
- Treasury

**Education and Employment**
- Education
- Employment

**Environment and Communications**
- Communications
- Environment

**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

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport**
- Agriculture
- Infrastructure and Regional Development.

(Agreed to 13 November 2013.)

*8 Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee—Authorisation to meet

Private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1) during the sitting of the Senate on Tuesday, 19 April 2016, from 3.30 pm.

(Agreed to 18 April 2016.)

*9 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Authorisation to meet

Public meeting during the sitting of the Senate on Wednesday, 20 April 2016, from 9.30 am, to take evidence for the committee’s inquiry into a national registration system for paramedics.

(Agreed to 18 April 2016.)

10 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee—Standing order 25(9)—Determination of chair

That, pursuant to standing order 25(9), the Senate determines:

(a) that the chair of the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee shall be elected by that committee from members nominated by minor parties or independent senators; and
(b) that this order remain in effect until the President is duly notified of an agreement that meets the terms of standing order 25(9)(c).

(Agreed to 2 November 2011.)

Orders for production of documents

11 Immigration—Asylum seekers—Ministerial briefings and correspondence—Order for production of documents

That—

(a) all communications relating to any ‘on water operations’ that occurred between 7 September 2013 and 14 November 2013 be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, by noon on 18 November 2013, including but not limited to:

Any report or briefing to, or email or other correspondence between the Minister or the Minister’s office and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection or the Detection, Interception and Transfer Task Group and related agencies which includes information related to any or all of the following:

(i) the chronology of events,
(ii) ‘illegal maritime arrivals’ (unauthorised arrivals),
(iii) Suspected Irregular Entry Vessels (SIEVs) intercepted at sea,
(iv) distress calls to and response time by the Australian Maritime Safety Authority,
(v) where the SIEV was detected,
(vi) nationality of passengers,
(vii) safety-of-life-at-sea incidents,
(viii) SIEV turn backs,
(ix) SIEV tow backs,
(x) number of people suspected to be on board the SIEVs,
(xi) the number of children suspected to be on board the SIEVs, and
(xii) how many people, if any, were subject to ‘on water transfers’;

(b) no later than 24 hours after an event relating to ‘on water operations’ all communications be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, including but not limited to:

Any report or briefing to, or email or other correspondence between the Minister or the Minister’s office and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection or the Detection, Interception and Transfer Task Group and related agencies which includes information related to any or all of the following information:

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(xii) how many people, if any, were subject to ‘on water transfers’; and

(c) if the Senate is not sitting within the 24 hours after the event relating to ‘on water operations’ then the documents are to be presented to the President under standing order 166 on the next working day.

(Motion of Senator Hanson-Young agreed to 14 November 2013; document received 18 November 2013 and tabled 2 December 2013; documents tabled 2 December 2013; motion in relation to compliance agreed to 3 December 2013; document tabled 4 December 2013.)

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   Senator Muir
   Senator Wang
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To move (contingent on the President presenting a report of the Auditor-General on any day or notifying the Senate that such a report had been presented under standing order 166)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion to take note of the report and any senator speaking to it for not more than 10 minutes, with the total time for the debate not to exceed 60 minutes.

Conduct of business

2 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.

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To move (contingent on the Senate proceeding to the consideration of documents)—That so much of the standing orders relating to the consideration of documents be suspended as would prevent the senator moving a motion relating to the order in which the documents are called on by the President.

Formal business

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

Limitation of time

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Senator Wang

Senator Xenophon

6 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.

7 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.

8 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

9 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.
10 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
  Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
  Senator Lambie
  Senator Leyonhjelm
  Senator Muir
  Senator Wang
  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

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

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

Questions without notice

12 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
  Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
  Senator Lambie
  Senator Leyonhjelm
  Senator Muir
  Senator Wang
  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 28 questions, including supplementary questions, have been asked and answered.
Statements

13 Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong)
   Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale)
   Senator Lambie
   Senator Leyonhjelm
   Senator Muir
   Senator Wang
   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

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

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CATEGORIES OF COMMITTEES

Standing Committees

- Legislative and General Purpose (including Legislation and References Committees)
  Community Affairs
  Economics
  Education and Employment (formerly Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; name amended 13 November 2013)
  Environment and Communications
  Finance and Public Administration
  Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade
  Legal and Constitutional Affairs
  Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

- Legislative Scrutiny
  Regulations and Ordinances
  Scrutiny of Bills
Standing (Domestic)
Appropriations, Staffing and Security (formerly Appropriations and Staffing; name amended 25 March 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2015 – Amendment of standing order 19)
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Select Committees
Abbott Government’s Commission of Audit
Certain Aspects of Queensland Government Administration related to Commonwealth Government Affairs
Establishment of a National Integrity Commission
Health
Murray-Darling Basin Plan
National Broadband Network
Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru
School Funding
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Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples
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Trade and Investment Growth

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Electoral Matters
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National Capital and External Territories
National Disability Insurance Scheme
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Public Works

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COMMITTEES

Abbott Government’s Commission of Audit—Select Committee
(appointed 11 December 2013; resolution of appointment varied 27 March 2014; final report tabled 19 June 2014)
Reports presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)
• Interim report (received 19 February 2014 and tabled 3 March 2014)
• Second interim report (received 24 April 2014 and tabled 13 May 2014)
• Third interim report (tabled 14 May 2014)
• Final report (tabled 19 June 2014)

Appropriations, Staffing and Security—Standing Committee
(formerly Appropriations and Staffing; name amended 25 March 2015 upon adoption of recommendation in the Procedure Committee’s first report of 2015 – Amendment of standing order 19)
Members
The President (Chair), the Deputy President, the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, and Senators Back, Collins, Fawcett, Fifield, Madigan and McEwen
Reports presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016) under the former committee name: Appropriations and Staffing
• Annual report—2013-14—Report (tabled 30 September 2014)
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament under the name: Appropriations, Staffing and Security
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
Annual reports—
Estimates for the Department of the Senate—
• 57th report – 2015-16 (received 10 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)

Australia Fund Establishment—Joint Select Committee
(appointed 4 September 2014; final report tabled 25 June 2015)
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)

Members
Mr Matheson (Chair), Senator Bilyk (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards, O’Sullivan and Sterle, and Ms Elliot, Mr Irons, Mr Wood and Mr Zappia

Current inquiries
• Jurisdiction of the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (adopted 6 March 2014)
• Integrity of Australia’s border arrangements (adopted 5 March 2015)

Reports presented
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Examination of the annual report of the Integrity Commissioner—
• 2012-13—Report (tabled 3 September 2014)
• 2014-15—Report (tabled 3 March 2016)

Broadcasting of Parliamentary Proceedings—Joint Statutory Committee

Members
The Speaker (Chairman), the President (Vice Chairman), and Senators Marshall and Moore, and Ms Bird, Mr Coulton, Mr Griffin and Ms Henderson

Certain Aspects of Queensland Government Administration related to Commonwealth Government Affairs—Select Committee
(appointed 30 September 2014; resolution of appointment varied 19 March 2015; report received 27 March 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)

Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Portfolios
Health; Social Services, including Human Services

Members
Senator Seselja (Chair), Senator Siewert (Deputy Chair), and Senators Brown, Gallagher, Lindgren and Paterson

Participating members
Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Edwards, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Reynolds, Smith and Williams

Non-government
Current inquiries


Reports presented
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Annual reports tabled by 31 October and 30 April—
- No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
- No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
- No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
- No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

Estimates—
- Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (received 6 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)

Legislation—
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Amendment (A Stronger Land Account) Bill 2014—Report (tabled 25 March 2015)
- Food Standards Australia New Zealand Amendment (Forum on Food Regulation and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 30 November 2015)


• Private Health Insurance Amendment (GP Services) Bill 2014—Report (tabled 4 September 2014)

• Social Services Legislation Amendment (Budget Repair) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 4 February 2016)


• Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 22 February 2016)


• Social Services Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (received 10 March 2016 and tabled 15 March 2016)


• Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2013 [Provisions]—Report on the bill, excluding Schedules 2, 6 and 9 (tabled 12 December 2013)

  Interim report (received 10 September 2014 and tabled 22 September 2014)
  Report (received 12 September 2014 and tabled 22 September 2014)
  Corrigendum to dissenting report from Opposition senators (received 19 September 2014 and tabled 22 September 2014)

• Social Services Legislation Amendment (Family Payments Structural Reform and Participation Measures) Bill (No. 2) 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 1 March 2016)

Legislation—Consideration of time critical bills—
• Social Services Legislation Amendment (Youth Employment and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 11 August 2015)

Community Affairs References Committee

Members
Senator Siewert (Chair), Senator Seselja (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bilyk, Brown, Gallagher and Paterson

Substitute member
Future of Australia’s aged care sector workforce—Senator Polley to replace Senator Brown

Participating members

Government

Non-government

Current inquiries
• Lyme-like illness in Australia (referred 12 November 2015; reporting date: 20 June 2016)
• Future of Australia’s aged care sector workforce (referred 1 December 2015; reporting date: 30 June 2016)
• Indefinite detention of people with cognitive and psychiatric impairment (referred 2 December 2015; reporting date: 30 July 2016)
• Medical complaints process (referred 2 February 2016; reporting date: 23 June 2016)

Reports presented
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• Adequacy of existing residential care arrangements for young people with severe physical, mental or intellectual disabilities in Australia—
  Report (tabled 30 June 2015)
  Corrigendum (tabled 18 August 2015)
• Availability of new, innovative and specialist cancer drugs in Australia—
  Interim report (received 4 August 2015 and tabled 10 August 2015)
  Final report (tabled 17 September 2015)
• Care and management of younger and older Australians living with dementia and behavioural and psychiatric symptoms of dementia (BPSD)—
  Interim reports (3) (received 12 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013; received 28 February 2014 and tabled 3 March 2014; tabled 19 March 2014)
  Report (tabled 26 March 2014)
• Extent of income inequality in Australia – Bridging our growing divide: inequality in Australia—Report (tabled 3 December 2014)
• Grandparents who take primary responsibility for raising their grandchildren—Report (tabled 29 October 2014)
• Impact on service quality, efficiency and sustainability of recent Commonwealth community service tendering processes by the Department of Social Services—
  Interim report (tabled 13 May 2015)
  Final report (tabled 16 September 2015)
• Impacts on health of air quality in Australia—
  Interim report (received 12 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Report (received 16 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Involuntary or coerced sterilisation of people with disabilities in Australia—
  First report (received 17 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Final report (received 25 October 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Matters not disposed of at the end of the 43rd Parliament—Report (tabled 14 November 2013)
• Out of home care—Report (tabled 19 August 2015)
• Out-of-pocket costs in Australian healthcare [Australia’s healthcare system]—
  Interim report (received 8 August 2014 and tabled 26 August 2014)
  Report (received 22 August 2014 and tabled 26 August 2014)
  Corrigenda (2) (tabled 27 August and 1 September 2014)
• Prevalence of different types of speech, language and communication disorders and speech pathology services in Australia [speech pathology services]—
  Interim report (tabled 27 March 2014)
  Report (tabled 2 September 2014)
• Violence, abuse and neglect against people with disability in institutional and residential settings, including the gender and age related dimensions, and the particular situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability, and culturally and linguistically diverse people with disability—Report (tabled 25 November 2015)

Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples—Joint Select Committee
Reports presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)
  Interim report (tabled 16 July 2014)
  Progress report (tabled 28 October 2014)
  Final report (tabled 25 June 2015)
Corporations and Financial Services—Joint Statutory Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)

Members
Senator Fawcett (Chair), Senator O’Neill (Deputy Chair), and Senators Ketter, Madigan and Williams, and Ms Owens, Mr Ruddock, Mr van Manen and Mr Watts

Current inquiry
• Impairment of customer loans (referred by the House of Representatives on 4 June 2015—transmitted by message on 15 June 2015; House of Representatives reporting date: 20 May 2016—variation transmitted by message on 3 March 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• Proposals to lift the professional, ethical and education standards in the financial services industry—Report (received 19 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)

On annual reports of bodies established under the Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001—
• Report on the 2012-13 annual report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• Report on the 2013-14 annual report (received 30 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)

Statutory oversight of the—
• Australian Securities and Investments Commission: the role of gatekeepers in Australia’s financial services system [Number 3, July 2013]—Report (received 29 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Australian Securities and Investment Commission, the Takeovers Panel and the corporations legislation—Report no. 1 of 44th Parliament (tabled 26 November 2014)

Cyber Safety—Select Committee
Report presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)
Options for addressing the issue of sexting by minors—Report (received 30 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)

Economics Legislation Committee
Portfolios
Industry; Treasury

Members
Senator Edwards (Chair), Senator Ketter (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bushby, Dastyari, Smith and Xenophon

Participating members
Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Lindgren, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Reynolds, Seselja and Williams
Non-government

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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Annual reports tabled by 31 October and 30 April—

• No. 2 of 2013—Report (tabled 11 December 2013)
• No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• No. 1 of 2015—
  Report (tabled 17 March 2015)
  Corrigendum (tabled 25 March 2015)
• No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
• No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

Estimates—
• Additional estimates 2013-14—Report (tabled 18 March 2014)
• Budget estimates 2014-15—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 1 March 2016)

Legislation—
• Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (Repeal) (No. 1) Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 16 June 2014)
• Australian Renewable Energy Agency (Repeal) Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 4 September 2014)
• Competition and Consumer Amendment (Misuse of Market Power) Bill 2014—
  Report (received 26 February 2015 and tabled 2 March 2015)
• Corporations Amendment (Crowd-sourced Funding) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—
  Report (tabled 1 March 2016)
• Corporations Amendment (Financial Advice) Bill 2014—Report (tabled 11 August 2015)
• Corporations Amendment (Streamlining of Future of Financial Advice) Bill 2014—Report (tabled 22 September 2014)
• Reserve Bank Amendment (Australian Reconstruction and Development Board) Bill 2013—Report (received 31 March 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
• Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Governance) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 9 November 2015)
• Tax and Superannuation Laws Amendment (2016 Measures No. 1) Bill 2016 [Provisions]—Report (received 10 March 2016 and tabled 15 March 2016)
• Tax Laws Amendment (Research and Development) Bill 2013 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 17 March 2013)


Legislation—Consideration of time critical bills—


Economics References Committee

Members
Senator Ketter (Chair), Senator Edwards (Deputy Chair), and Senators Dastyari, McAllister, Smith and Xenophon

Substitute members
Australia’s steel industry—Senator Carr to replace Senator Dastyari
Impact of Commonwealth legislation, policies and guidelines—Senator Leyonhjelm to replace Senator McAllister

Participating members
Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Lindgren, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Reynolds, Seselja and Williams
Non-government

Current inquiries
• Australia’s naval ship building industry (referred 25 June 2014; reports tabled 27 August and 17 November 2014 and 1 July 2015; interim report received 28 August 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015; final reporting date: 30 June 2016)
• Implications of financial advice reforms (referred 4 September 2014; additional terms of reference agreed to 2 March 2016; interim report received 1 February 2016 and tabled 2 February 2016; report (part 1) tabled 24 February 2016; final reporting date: 31 August 2016)
• Corporate tax avoidance (referred 2 October 2014; interim report tabled 18 August 2015; final reporting date: 22 April 2016)
• Non-conforming building products (referred 23 June 2015; reporting date: 10 May 2016)
• Foreign bribery (referred 24 June 2015; reporting date: 1 July 2016)
• Impact of Commonwealth legislation, policies and guidelines (referred 25 June 2015; reporting date: 13 June 2016)
• Gender retirement income gap (referred 17 August 2015; reporting date: 29 April 2016)
• Development of bauxite resources near Aurukun (referred 24 November 2015; interim report received 24 March 2016; reporting date of 10 June 2016 proposed)
• Penalties for white collar crime or misconduct (referred 25 November 2015; reporting date: 27 July 2016)
• Foreign investment review framework (referred 25 November 2015; interim report tabled 4 February 2016, report received 8 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016 and recommendation 4 adopted 18 April 2016 extending reporting date; final reporting date: 28 April 2016)
• Australia’s steel industry (referred 26 November 2015; reporting date: last sitting day in June 2016)
• Carbon risk disclosure (referred 2 February 2016; reporting date: 22 June 2016)
• Collapse of listed retailers (referred 4 February 2016; reporting date: 14 September 2016)
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- Agribusiness managed investment schemes: Bitter harvest [Forestry managed investment schemes]
  - Interim report (received 16 December 2015 and tabled 2 February 2016)
  - Report (received 11 March 2016 and tabled 15 March 2016)
- Australia’s innovation system
  - Interim report (tabled 19 August 2015)
  - Report (tabled 3 December 2015)
- Australia’s automotive industry
  - Interim report (tabled 19 August 2015)
- Cooperative, mutual and member-owned firms
  - Report (tabled 17 March 2016)
  - Corrigendum (received 22 March 2016)
- Corporate tax avoidance
  - Report (part I) – You cannot tax what you cannot see (tabled 18 August 2015)
  - Corrigendum (received 21 August 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015)
- Development of bauxite resources near Aurukun
  - Interim report (received 24 March 2016)
- Digital currency – game changer or bit player
  - Report (received 4 August 2015 and tabled 10 August 2014)
- Foreign investment review framework
  - Interim report (tabled 4 February 2016)
  - Report (received 8 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
- Future of Australia’s automotive industry: Driving jobs and investment
  - Report (tabled 1 December 2015)
- Future of Australia’s naval shipbuilding industry: Tender process for the navy’s new supply ships
  - Report (part I) (tabled 27 August 2014)
  - Report (part II) (tabled 17 November 2014)
  - Report (part III) (received 1 July 2015)
  - Interim report (received 28 August 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015)
- ‘I just want to be paid’: Insolvency in the Australian construction industry
  - Report (tabled 3 December 2015)
- Interest rates and informed choice in the Australian credit card market
  - Report (received 16 December 2015 and tabled 2 February 2016)
- Matters not disposed of at the end of the 43rd Parliament
- Need for a national approach to retail leasing arrangements
  - Report (tabled 18 March 2015)
- Out of reach? The Australian housing affordability challenge
  - Interim report (received 13 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
  - Report (received 8 May 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
- Performance of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission
  - Interim report (received 28 May 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
  - Final report (tabled 26 June 2014)
• Privatisation of state and territory assets and new infrastructure—Report (tabled 19 March 2015)
• Scrutiny of financial advice (Implications of financial advice reforms)—
  Interim report (received 1 February 2016 and tabled 2 February 2016)
• Third party certification of food—Report (tabled 1 December 2015)
• Ticket scalping in Australia—Report (tabled 26 March 2014)

**Education and Employment Legislation Committee**
(formerly Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; name amended 13 November 2013)

**Portfolios**
Education; Employment

**Members**
Senator McKenzie (Chair), Senator Lines (Deputy Chair), and Senators Johnston, O’Neill, Reynolds and Simms

**Substitute members**
Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015—Senator Waters to replace Senator Simms
Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016—Senator Rice to replace Senator Simms

**Participating members**

**Government**

**Non-government**

**Currently inquiries**
• Fair Work Amendment (Gender Pay Gap) Bill 2015 (referred 15 October 2015; reporting date: 12 May 2016)
• Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Australian Workers) Bill 2016 (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 10 May 2016)

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• No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• No. 1 of 2015—Report (tabled 17 March 2015)
• No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
• No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)
Estimates—
• Additional estimates 2013-14—Report (tabled 18 March 2014)
• Budget estimates 2014-15—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Additional estimates 2014-15—Report (received 21 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
• Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 1 March 2016)

Legislation—
  Correction (tabled 3 December 2013)
• Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015 [Provisions] and Education Services for Overseas Students (Registration Charges) Amendment (Streamlining Regulation) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 30 November 2015)
• Fair Work Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (received 5 June 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
• Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2013 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 2 December 2013)
• Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Amendment Bill 2014 [No. 2] [Provisions]—Report (tabled 11 August 2015)
• Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Child Care Measures) Bill (No. 2) 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 28 August 2014)
• Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Jobs for Families Child Care Package) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (received 4 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
• Higher Education and Research Reform Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 28 October 2014)
  Report (received 13 March 2015 and tabled 16 March 2015)
Education and Employment References Committee
(formerly Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; name amended 13 November 2013)

Members
Senator Lines (Chair), Senator McKenzie (Deputy Chair), and Senators Johnston, O’Neill, Peris and Simms

Participating members
Government

Non-government

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• A national disgrace: The exploitation of temporary work visa holders—
  Interim report (tabled 14 October 2015)
  Report (tabled 17 March 2016)

• Access to real learning: the impact of policy, funding and culture on students with disability—Report (received 15 January 2016 and tabled 2 February 2016)

• Delivery of quality and affordable early childhood education and care services—Report (tabled 16 July 2014)

• Effectiveness of the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy—Final report (tabled 27 March 2014)

• Feasibility of, and options for, creating a national long service standard, and the portability of long service and other entitlements—Report (tabled 25 February 2016)

• Getting our money’s worth: the operation, regulation and funding of private vocational education and training (VET) providers in Australia—
  Interim report (tabled 2 March 2015)
  Second interim report (received 5 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015) and additional comments from Coalition senators (received 10 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
  Report (tabled 15 October 2015)

• Government’s approach to re-establishing the Australian Building and Construction Commission [included in reference were the provisions of both the Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Bill 2013 and the Building and Construction Industry (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013]—Report (tabled 27 March 2014)


• Immediate future of the childcare sector in Australia—Report (tabled 16 July 2014)

• Matters not disposed of at the end of the 43rd Parliament—Report (tabled 2 December 2013)

• Technical and further education system in Australia—Report (tabled 14 May 2014)

Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013; resolution of appointment varied 4 December 2013 and 2 December 2015)

Members
  Mr Griffin (Deputy Chair), and Senators Brown, Conroy, O’Sullivan, Reynolds and Rhiannon, and Mr Buchholz, Mr Goodenough, Mr Gray and Mr Pasin

Current inquiry
  • Financing of participants in the political process (referred 15 October 2015; reporting date: 22 June 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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By way of a statement—
  • Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Above the Line Voting) Bill 2013 – Statement discharging the committee’s requirement to provide an advisory report (tabled 3 March 2014)

Conduct of the 2013 election and matters related thereto—
  • Interim report (received 9 May 2014; tabled 13 May 2014)
  • Second interim report (received 20 November 2014 and tabled 24 November 2014)
  • Final report (received 15 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015) and corrigendum (tabled 12 May 2015)
Legislation—
  • Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Bill 2016—
    Advisory report (tabled 2 March 2016)
    Corrigendum (tabled 3 March 2016)

Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Portfolios
  Communications; Environment

Members
  Senator Reynolds (Chair), Senator Urquhart (Deputy Chair), and Senators Back, Paterson, Singh and Waters

Substitute members
  Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015—Senator Ludlam to replace Senator Waters
  Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions]—
    Senator Ludlam to replace Senator Waters
    Senator McAllister to replace Senator Singh

Participating members
  Government
    Senators Abetz, Bernardi, Bushby, Edwards, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Lindgren, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Seselja, Smith and Williams
  Non-government

Current inquiries
  • Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015 (referred 20 November 2015; reporting date: 12 May 2016)
  • Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015 (referred 3 December 2015; reporting date: 20 June 2016)
  • Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Media Reform) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (referred 3 March 2016; reporting date: 12 May 2016)

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    • No. 2 of 2013—Report (tabled 11 December 2013)
    • No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
    • No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
    • No. 1 of 2015—Report (tabled 17 March 2015)
    • No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
    • No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

  Estimates—
    • Additional estimates 2013-14—Report (tabled 18 March 2014)
    • Budget estimates 2014-15—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Additional estimates 2014-15—
  Interim (received 20 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
  Final (received 15 May 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
• Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 17 March 2016)

Legislation—
• Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Local Content) Bill 2014—
  Report (received 27 March 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
• Broadcasting and Other Legislation Amendment (Deregulation) Bill 2014
• Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Ozone
  Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) Amendment (Carbon
  Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse
  Gas (Import Levy) (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Ozone
  Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Manufacture Levy) Amendment (Carbon
  Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [Provisions], True-up Shortfall Levy (General)
  (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [Provisions], True-up Shortfall Levy (Excise)
  (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Climate Change Authority
  (Abolition) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Customs Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax
  Repeal) Bill 2013 [Provisions], Excise Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal)
  Bill 2013 [Provisions], Clean Energy (Income Tax Rates and Other
  Amendments) Bill 2013 [Provisions] and Clean Energy Finance Corporation
• Clean Energy Legislation (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2] [Provisions],
  True-up Shortfall Levy (General) (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2]
  [Provisions], True-up Shortfall Levy (Excise) (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
  [No. 2] [Provisions], Customs Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
  [No. 2] [Provisions], Excise Tariff Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013
  [No. 2] [Provisions], Ozone Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import
  Levy) Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill 2013 [No. 2] [Provisions], Ozone
  Protection and Synthetic Greenhouse Gas (Import Levy) (Transitional
  Provisions) Bill 2013 [No. 2] [Provisions], Ozone Protection and Synthetic
  Greenhouse Gas (Manufacture Levy) Amendment (Carbon Tax Repeal) Bill
  2013 [No. 2], and Clean Energy (Income Tax Rates and Other Amendments)
  Bill 2013 [No. 2] [Provisions]—Report (tabled 8 July 2014)
• Climate Change Authority (Abolition) Bill 2013 [No. 2] [Provisions]—Report
  (tabled 8 July 2014)
• Communications Legislation Amendment (SBS Advertising Flexibility and
  Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—
  Interim report (received 8 May 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
  Report (received 29 May 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015) and correction [to
  the non-government senators’ dissenting report] (tabled 23 June 2015)
• Copyright Legislation Amendment (Fair Go for Fair Use) Bill 2013—Report
  (received 20 September 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Enhancing Online Safety for Children Bill 2014 [Provisions] and Enhancing
  Online Safety for Children (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2014
• Environment Legislation Amendment Bill 2013—Report (tabled 12 February
  2014)
• Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Standing) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (received 18 November 2015 and tabled 23 November 2015)
• Landholders’ Right to Refuse (Gas and Coal) Bill 2015—Report (received 30 September 2015 and tabled 12 October 2015)
• Motor Vehicle Standards (Cheaper Transport) Bill 2014—
  Interim report (received 23 October 2015 and tabled 9 November 2015)
  Final report (tabled 25 November 2015)
• National Broadband Network Companies Amendment (Tasmania) Bill 2014—Report (tabled 16 July 2014)
• Performance, importance and role of Australia Post in Australian communities and its operations in relations to licensed post offices—
  Interim report (tabled 11 December 2013)
  Final report (tabled 24 September 2014)
  Report (tabled 9 February 2015)
  Report (received 20 March 2015 and tabled 23 March 2015)
• Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Submarine Cable Protection) Bill 2013 [Provisions]—Report (received 28 March 2014 and tabled 13 May 2014)

Environment and Communications References Committee
Members
  Senator Urquhart (Chair), Senator Reynolds (Deputy Chair), and Senators Back, McEwen, Singh and Waters
Substitute members
  Australia’s video game development industry—Senator Ludlam to replace Senator Waters
  Commercial use of Tasmanian bumblebees—Senator McKim to replace Senator Waters
  Large capacity fishing vessels—Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Waters
  Marine plastic pollution—Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Waters
Oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight—
Senator Gallacher to replace Senator Singh
Senator Simms to replace Senator Waters
Senator Edwards to replace Senator Reynolds
Recent fires in remote Tasmanian wilderness—Senator McKim to replace Senator Waters

Participating members

Government

Non-government

Current inquiries

- Marine plastic pollution (referred 18 June 2015; interim reports (2) received 31 March 2016 and 12 April 2016; reporting date of 20 April 2016 proposed)
- Australia’s video game development industry (referred 22 June 2015; reporting date: 29 April 2016)
- Large capacity fishing vessels (referred 7 September 2015; interim report received 31 March 2016; reporting date of 24 August 2016 proposed)
- Access by children to Internet pornography (referred 2 December 2015; reporting date: first sitting day in December 2016)
- Commercial use of Tasmanian bumblebees (referred 2 February 2016; reporting date: 22 June 2016)
- Oil or gas production in the Great Australian Bight (referred 22 February 2016; reporting date: 12 May 2016)
- Recent fires in remote Tasmanian wilderness (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 30 May 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament

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- Direct Action: Paying polluters to halt global warming?—
  Report (tabled 26 March 2014)
  Corrigendum (tabled 27 March 2014)
- Effectiveness of current regulatory arrangements in dealing with radio simulcasts—Report (received 12 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
- Effectiveness of threatened species and ecological communities’ protection in Australia—
  Interim reports (3) (received 4 July, 23 July and 31 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Report (received 7 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
- Environmental biosecurity—Report (tabled 13 May 2015)
- Environmental offsets—Report (tabled 26 June 2014)
• Environmental, social and economic impacts of large-capacity fishing vessels commonly known as ‘Supertrawlers’ operating in Australia’s marine jurisdiction [Large capacity fishing vessels]—
  Interim report (received 31 March 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
  Second interim report (received 12 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
• Impacts of imposing a certain carrier licence condition on Telstra Corporation Limited—Report (received 19 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Management of the Great Barrier Reef—Report (tabled 3 September 2014)
• Marine plastic pollution—
  Interim report (received 31 March 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
  Second interim report (received 12 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
• National Landcare Program—Report (tabled 25 March 2015)
• Performance and management of electricity network companies—
  Interim reports (2) (received 20 April and 5 May 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
  Final report (received 5 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
• Recent trends in and preparedness for extreme weather events—
  Interim reports (2) (received 10 July and 23 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Report (received 7 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Regulation of the fin-fish aquaculture industry in Tasmania—Report (received 21 August 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015)
• Stormwater management in Australia—Report (tabled 2 December 2015)
• Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area—Report (tabled 15 May 2014)
Substitute member

Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016—Senator Rhiannon to replace Senator Rice

Participating members

Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bushby, Edwards, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Macdonald, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Reynolds, Seselja, Smith and Williams

Non-government

Current inquiry

• Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2016 (referred 3 March 2016; reporting date: 17 June 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• Department of Parliamentary Services—
  Interim report (received 28 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
  Second interim report (tabled 25 June 2015)
  Final report (tabled 17 September 2015)


Annual reports tabled by 31 October and 30 April—
• No. 2 of 2013—Report (tabled 11 December 2013)
• No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• No. 1 of 2015—Report (tabled 17 March 2015)
• No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
• No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

Estimates—
• Additional estimates 2013-14—Report (tabled 18 March 2014)
• Budget estimates 2014-15—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 1 March 2016)

Legislation—
• Australian Government Boards (Gender Balanced Representation) Bill 2015—Report (tabled 10 November 2015)
• Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Above the Line Voting) Bill 2013—Report (tabled 12 December 2013)
• Flags Amendment Bill 2014—Report (tabled 16 June 2014)


• Parliamentary Service Amendment Bill 2014—Report (tabled 2 March 2015)

• Public Governance and Resources Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 23 March 2015)

• Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment Bill 2014—Report (tabled 16 June 2014)


• Social Security Legislation Amendment (Community Development Program) Bill 2015—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

Finance and Public Administration References Committee

Members
Senator McAllister (Chair), Senator Bernardi (Deputy Chair), and Senators Lindgren, Ludwig, Peris and Rice

Substitute members
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services—Senator Lines to replace Senator Ludwig

Gender inequality—Senator Waters to replace Senator Rice

Participating members
Government

Non-government

Current inquiries
• Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander experience of law enforcement and justice services (referred 4 March 2015; reporting date: 25 August 2016)

• Gender inequality (referred 25 November 2015; reporting date: 24 August 2016)

• Paper procurement (referred 2 February 2016; reporting date: 23 June 2016)
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- Commonwealth procurement procedures—Report (tabled 17 July 2014)
- Domestic violence in Australia [violence against women]—
  Interim report (tabled 19 March 2015)
  Final report (tabled 20 August 2015)
- Senate order for departmental and agency contracts—Report (tabled 14 May 2014)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)

Members
  Ms Gambaro (Chair), Mr Champion, (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards, Fawcett, Gallacher, Ludwig, Macdonald, McEwen, McKenzie, O’Neill, Reynolds, Singh, Whish-Wilson and Xenophon, and Mr Baldwin, Mr Danby, Mr Feeney, Mr Ferguson, Mr Griffin, Mrs Griggs, Mr Hastie, Dr Jensen, Mr Kelly, Mr Marles, Mr Nikolic, Ms Parke, Mr Randall, Mr Ruddock, Mr BC Scott, Dr Stone and Ms Vamvakinou, Mr Varvaris and Mr Williams

Current inquiries
- Australia’s trade and investment relationships with countries of the Middle East (adopted 26 March 2014)
- Defence annual reports (ongoing statutory requirement)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- Partnering for the greater good: The role of the private sector in promoting economic growth and reducing poverty in the Indo-Pacific region—Report (tabled 23 June 2015)
- Principles and practice – Australian defence industry and exports—Report (tabled 1 December 2015)

Review of Defence annual reports—
- 2012-13—Report (tabled 28 October 2014)
- 2013-14—Report (tabled 1 December 2015)

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee

Portfolios
  Defence, including Veterans’ Affairs; Foreign Affairs and Trade

Members
  Senator Back (Chair), Senator Gallacher (Deputy Chair), and Senators Abetz, Fawcett, Ludlam and McEwen
Participating members

Government


Non-government


Reports presented during the 44th Parliament

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- Implementation of the Defence Trade Controls Act 2012—
  Progress report no. 2 (tabled 14 May 2014)
  Progress report no. 3 (tabled 18 March 2015)

Annual reports tabled by 31 October and 30 April—

- No. 2 of 2013—Report (tabled 11 December 2013)
- No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
- No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
- No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
- No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

Estimates—

- Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (received 24 March 2016)

Legislation—

- Defence Legislation Amendment (Woomera Prohibited Area) Bill 2013—
  Report (received 20 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Erratum (received 21 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Report (tabled 4 March 2014)
- Fair Trade (Workers’ Rights) Bill 2013—Report (tabled 4 March 2014)
Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

Members
Senator Gallacher (Chair), Senator Back (Deputy Chair), and Senators Dastyari, Fawcett, Ludlam and McEwen

Substitute members
Australia’s bilateral aid program in Papua New Guinea—Senator Rhiannon to replace Senator Ludlam
Australian Defence Force resistance to interrogation training—Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Ludlam
Contamination caused by firefighting foams at RAAF Base Williamtown, Australian Defence Force facilities and at other government sites—Senator Rhiannon to replace Senator Ludlam
Operations of Defence Housing Australia—Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Ludlam
Planned acquisition of the Joint Strike Fighter—Senator Whish-Wilson to replace Senator Ludlam

Participating members
Government

Non-government

Current inquiries
• Australia’s bilateral aid program in Papua New Guinea (referred 4 December 2014; reporting date: 12 May 2016)
• Contamination caused by firefighting foams at government sites other than RAAF Base Williamtown and Australian Defence Force facilities (referred 30 November 2015; reporting date: 11 May 2015)
• Planned acquisition of the Joint Strike Fighter (referred 2 December 2015; reporting date: 29 June 2016)
• Operations of Defence Housing Australia (referred 2 December 2015; reporting date: 30 April 2016)
• Australian Defence Force resistance to interrogation training (referred 29 February 2016; reporting date: 10 May 2016)
• Partial suspension of sanctions against Iran (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 11 May 2016)
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- Australia’s future activities and responsibilities in the Southern Ocean and
  Antarctic waters—Report (tabled 29 October 2014)
- Australia’s overseas aid and development assistance program—Report (tabled 27 March 2014)
- Australia’s relationship with Mexico—Report (tabled 2 December 2015)
- Breaches of Indonesian territorial waters—Report (tabled 27 March 2014)
- Capability of Defence’s physical science and engineering workforce—Report
  (received 1 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
- China-Australia Free Trade Agreement—Report (received 6 November 2015 and
tabled 9 November 2015)
- Inquiry into firefighting foam contamination—
- Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement—Report (tabled 1 October 2014)
- Mental health of Australian Defence Force members and veterans—Report
  (tabled 17 March 2016)
- Processes to support victims of abuse in Defence—Report (received 31 October
  2014 and tabled 17 November 2014)
- Use of unmanned air, maritime and land platforms by the Australian Defence

Health—Select Committee
(appointed 25 June 2014; final report due 20 June 2016)

Members
  Senator O’Neill (Chair), Senator Muir (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards,
  McAllister, Moore, Seselja and Williams

Substitute members
  Senator Cameron to replace Senator McAllister from 2 May to 5 May 2016
  Senator Dastyari to replace Senator McAllister on 4 May 2016
  Senator Ketter to replace Senator McAllister on 6 May 2016

Participating members
  Government
  Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Canavan, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston,
  Lindgren, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Reynolds and Smith
  Non-government
  Senators Bilyk, Brown, Cameron, Carr, Collins, Conroy, Dastyari, Di Natale,
  Gallagher, Gallagher, Hanson-Young, Ketter, Lambie, Lazarus, Leyonhjelm, Lines,
  Ludlam, Ludwig, Marshall, McAllister, McEwen, McKim, McLucas, Peris, Polley,
  Rhiannon, Rice, Stiewert, Simms, Singh, Sterle, Urquhart, Waters, Whish-Wilson and
  Wong
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• First interim report (tabled 2 December 2014)
• Second interim report (tabled 24 June 2015)
• Australian hearing: Too important to privatise—Third interim report (tabled 17 September 2015)
• Mental health: A consensus for action—Fourth interim report (received 8 October 2015 and tabled 12 October 2015)

House—Standing Committee
Members
The President (Chair), the Deputy President, and Senators Brown, Bushby, Collins, McEwen and Smith
Report presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• Report (tabled 13 May 2014)

Human Rights—Joint Statutory Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)
Members
Mr Ruddock (Chair), Mr Ferguson (Deputy Chair), and Senators Brown, McKim, Moore, Paterson and Smith, and Dr Gillespie, Ms McGowan and Mr Sukkar
Report presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• 2016 review of Stronger Future measures—Report (tabled 17 March 2016)
Annual report—
• 2012-13—Report (tabled 10 December 2013)
Examination of legislation in accordance with the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011—
• Bills introduced 12 November to 5 December 2013; Legislative instruments received 8 June to 22 November 2013—First report of 44th Parliament (tabled 10 December 2013)
• Bills introduced 9 December to 12 December 2013; Legislative instruments received 23 November 2013 to 31 January 2014—Second report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 11 February 2014)
• Bills introduced 11 February to 27 February 2014; Legislative instruments received 1 February to 21 February 2014—Third report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 4 March 2014)
• Bills introduced 3 March to 6 March 2014; Legislative instruments received 22 February to 28 February 2014—Fourth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 18 March 2014)
• Bills introduced 17 March to 20 March 2014; Legislative instruments received 1 March to 7 March 2014—Fifth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 25 March 2014)
• Bills introduced 24 March to 27 March 2014; Legislative instruments received 8 March to 25 April 2014—Sixth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 14 May 2014)
• Bills introduced 13 May to 29 May 2014; Legislative instruments received 8 March to 30 May 2014—Seventh report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 19 June 2014)
• Bills introduced 2 June to 19 June 2014; Legislative instruments received 31 May to 6 June 2014—Eighth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Bills introduced 23 June to 26 June 2014; Legislative instruments received 7 June to 20 June 2014—Ninth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 15 July 2014)
• Bills introduced 7 July to 17 July 2014; Legislative instruments received 21 June to 25 July 2014—Tenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 27 August 2014)
• Bills introduced 26 August to 28 August 2014; Legislative instruments received 26 June to 1 August 2014—Eleventh report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 2 September 2014)
• Bills introduced 1 September to 4 September 2014; Legislative instruments received 2 August to 5 September 2014—Twelfth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 24 September 2014)
• Bills introduced 22 September to 25 September 2014; Legislative instruments received 6 September to 12 September 2014—Thirteenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 1 October 2014)
• Bills introduced 30 September to 2 October 2014; Legislative instruments received 13 September to 19 September 2014—Fourteenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 28 October 2014)
• Bills introduced 20 October to 30 October 2014; Legislative instruments received 20 September to 10 October 2014—Fifteenth report of the 44th Parliament (received 14 November 2014 and tabled 17 November 2014)
• Bills introduced 14 November to 19 November 2014; Legislative instruments received 11 October to 23 October 2014—Sixteenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 25 November 2014)
• Bills introduced 24 November to 27 November 2014; Legislative instruments received 24 October to 30 October 2014—Seventeenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 2 December 2014)

Human rights scrutiny—
• Eighteenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 10 February 2015)
• Nineteenth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 3 March 2015)
• Twentieth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 19 March 2015)
• Twenty-first report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 25 March 2015)
• Twenty-second report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 14 May 2015)
• Twenty-third report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 23 June 2015)
• Twenty-fourth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 24 June 2015)
• Twenty-fifth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 12 August 2015)
• Twenty-sixth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 19 August 2015)
• Twenty-seventh report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 8 September 2015)
• Twenty-eighth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 13 October 2015)
• Twenty-ninth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 14 October 2015)
• Thirtieth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 11 November 2015)
• Thirty-first report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 25 November 2015)
• Thirty-second report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 2 December 2015)
• Thirty-third report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 3 February 2016)
• Thirty-fourth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 24 February 2016)
• Thirty-fifth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 1 March 2016)
• Thirty-sixth report of the 44th Parliament (tabled 17 March 2016)

Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee

Members
Mr Nikolic (Chair), Mr Byrne (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bushby, Conroy, Fawcett, Gallagher and Wong, and Mr Dreyfus, Mr Ruddock, Mr Scott and Mr Wood

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• Authorisation of access to telecommunications data to identify a journalist’s source—Report (received 8 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)

Annual reports of committee activities—
• Report for 2012-13 (received 16 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
• Report for 2013-14 (received 16 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)

Legislation—
• Australian Citizenship Amendment (Allegiance to Australia) Bill 2015—Oral report (presented 19 August 2015)
  Advisory report (received 4 September 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015)
• Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014—Advisory report (received 20 November 2014 and tabled 24 November 2014)
• Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2015—Advisory report (received 15 February 2016 and tabled 22 February 2016)
• Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (Foreign Fighters) Bill 2014—Advisory report (received 17 October 2014 and tabled 27 October 2014)
• National Security Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014—Advisory report (received 17 September 2014 and tabled 22 September 2014)

Review of administration and expenditure—
• No. 11 and no. 12—Australian intelligence agencies—Report (tabled 22 September 2014)
• No. 13—Australian intelligence agencies—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)

Review of the—
• Declaration of al-Raqqa province, Syria—Report (tabled 19 March 2015)
• Declaration of Mosul district, Ninewa province, Iraq—Report (tabled 16 June 2015)
• Listing of Al-Murabitun—Report (received 16 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
• Listing of Boko Haram—Re-listing of the Islamic State—Report (tabled 22 September 2014)
• Listing of Jabhat al-Nusra and re-listing of six terrorist organisations – Re-listing of Al-Qa’ida in the Arabian Peninsula—Report (tabled 12 February 2014)

Law Enforcement—Joint Statutory Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)
Members
Mr Kelly (Chair), Senator Singh (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards, Ketter, Leyonhjelm and Smith and Mr Hayes, Mr Matheson, Ms Vamvakou and Mr Wood
Current inquiries
• Crystal methamphetamine (adopted 18 March 2015)
• Illicit tobacco (adopted 2 December 2015)
• Human trafficking (adopted 2 December 2015)
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• Financial related crime—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
• Spectrum for public safety mobile broadband—Report (received 23 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
Examination of the annual report of the—
• Australian Crime Commission 2012-13—Report (tabled 3 September 2014)
• Australian Federal Police 2012-13—Report (tabled 3 September 2014)
• Australian Federal Police 2013-14—Report (tabled 15 September 2015)

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
Portfolios
Attorney-General; Immigration and Border Protection
Members
Senator Macdonald (Chair), Senator Collins (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bilyk, McKim, O’Sullivan and Smith
Substitute members
Customs and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions]—
Senator Gallacher to replace Senator Collins
Senator Hanson-Young to replace Senator McKim
Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions]—
Senator Gallacher to replace Senator Collins
Senator Hanson-Young to replace Senator McKim
Participating members
Government
Non-government

Current inquiries
• Customs and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 20 June 2016)
• Migration Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 10 May 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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Annual reports tabled by 31 October and 30 April—
• No. 2 of 2013—Report (tabled 11 December 2013)
• No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• No. 1 of 2015—Report (tabled 17 March 2015)
• No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
• No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)
Estimates reports—
• Additional estimates 2013-14—Report (tabled 18 March 2014)
• Budget estimates 2014-15—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Budget estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 12 August 2015)
• Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 1 March 2016)
Legislation—
• Australian Citizenship Amendment (Intercountry Adoption) Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• Australian Citizenship and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 1 December 2014)
• Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Classification Tools and Other Measures) Bill 2014—
  Interim report (received 27 May 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
  Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• Copyright Amendment (Online Infringement) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—
  Interim reports (2) (received 29 May and 2 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
  Report (received 11 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
• Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (Foreign Fighters) Bill 2014—
  Report (received 17 October 2014 and tabled 27 October 2014)
• Courts Administration Legislation Amendment Bill 2015—Report (tabled 2 February 2016)
• Crimes Legislation Amendment (Unexplained Wealth and Other Measures) Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (received 5 June 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
• Criminal Code Amendment (Firearms Trafficking) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—
  Report (received 11 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
• Criminal Code Amendment (Harming Australians) Bill 2013—
  Interim report (received 28 May 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
  Final report (tabled 13 August 2015)
• Criminal Code Amendment (Misrepresentation of Age to a Minor) Bill 2013—
  Interim report (received 28 May 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
  Final report (tabled 13 August 2015)
• Customs Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 30 September 2014)
• Exposure draft of the Medical Services (Dying with Dignity) Bill 2014—
  Interim report (received 22 October 2014 and tabled 27 October 2014)
  Report (received 10 November 2014 and tabled 17 November 2014)
• Guardian for Unaccompanied Children Bill 2014—
  Interim report (received 5 February 2015 and tabled 9 February 2015)
  Final report (tabled 9 February 2015)
  Interim report (received 27 May 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
  Report (tabled 18 July 2014)
The document contains a list of various bills and acts, along with their corresponding reports and recommendations. Here is the formatted list:

- International Aid (Promoting Gender Equality) Bill 2015—Report (received 2 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015—committee recommendation: bill be referred to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee)
  Corrigendum to dissenting report from Australian Greens senators (tabled 24 November 2015)
- Migration Amendment (Complementary Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (received 18 February 2016 and tabled 22 February 2016)
- Migration Amendment (Offshore Resources Activity) Repeal Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (received 6 June 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
- Migration Amendment (Protecting Babies Born in Australia) Bill 2014—Report (tabled 10 February 2015)
- Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2014 [Provisions]—
  Interim report (received 27 May 2014 and tabled 16 June 2014)
  Report (received 21 August 2014 and tabled 26 August 2014)
- Regulator of Medicinal Cannabis Bill 2014—
  Interim report (tabled 25 June 2015)
  Final report (tabled 11 August 2015)
• Telecommunications Amendment (Get a Warrant) Bill 2013—Report (received 20 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Tribunals Amalgamation Bill 2014—Report (tabled 16 March 2015)

Legislation—Consideration of time critical bills—

Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee

Members
Senator Lazarus (Chair), Senator Macdonald (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bilyk, Collins, Ludwig and Smith

Substitute members
Commonwealth payments relating to asylum seeker boat turn backs—Senator Gallagher to replace Senator Collins
Regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea—Senator Gallacher to replace Senator Collins

Participating members

Government

Non-government

Current inquiries
• Commonwealth payments relating to asylum seeker boat turn backs (referred 24 June 2015; reporting date: 22 June 2016)
• Residential fire safety (referred 25 June 2015; reporting date: 30 June 2016)
• National registration system for paramedics (referred 20 August 2015; reporting date: last sitting day in June 2016)
• Regional processing centres in the Republic of Nauru and Papua New Guinea (referred 12 October 2015; reporting date: 31 December 2016)
• Reduction of alcohol-fuelled violence (referred 3 February 2016; reporting date: 30 June 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• A claim of public interest immunity raised over documents—Interim report (received 21 February 2014 and tabled 3 March 2014)
  Report (tabled 6 March 2014)
• Ability of Australian law enforcement authorities to eliminate gun-related violence in the community—Report (received 9 April 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
• Impact of the 2014 and 2015 Commonwealth Budget decisions on the arts—Report (tabled 2 December 2015)
  Corrigendum (received 14 December 2015 and tabled 2 February 2016)
• Comprehensive revision of the Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979—
  Interim report (tabled 27 August 2014)
  Report (tabled 24 March 2015)
• Current investigative processes and powers of the Australian Federal Police—
  Report (tabled 15 May 2014)
• Handling of a letter sent by Mr Man Haron Monis to the Attorney-General—
  Report (tabled 16 September 2015)
• Incident at the Manus Island Detention Centre from 16 February to 18 February 2014—
  Interim report (received 5 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
  Final report (received 11 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
• Matter of a popular vote, in the form of a plebiscite or referendum, on the matter
  of marriage in Australia—
  Report (tabled 16 September 2015)
  Corrigenda (2) (received 21 September and 8 October 2015 and tabled
  12 October 2015)
• Phenomenon colloquially referred to as ‘revenge porn’—
  Report (tabled 25 February 2016)
  Corrigendum (tabled 17 March 2016)
• Work undertaken by the Australian Federal Police’s Oil for Food Taskforce—
  Report (tabled 24 March 2015)

Library—Standing Committee

Members
  The President (Chair), and Senators Back, Lindgren, Lines, Moore and Seselja

Migration—Joint Standing Committee

(appointed 2 December 2013)

Members
  Mrs Markus (Chair), Ms Vamvakinou (Deputy Chair), and Senators Back, Dastyari,
  Edwards and Hanson-Young, and Mr KJ Andrews, Mr Kelly, Mr Thistlethwaite and
  Mr Zappia

Current inquiry
  Seasonal Worker Programme (referred 17 May 2015)

Report presented during the 44th Parliament

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• Inquiry into the Business Innovation and Investment Programme—
  Report (tabled 25 March 2014)
  Corrigendum (tabled 14 May 2015)
Murray-Darling Basin Plan—Select Committee
(appointed 24 June 2015; resolution of appointment varied 2 February 2016; final report tabled 17 March 2016 and corrigendum received 22 March 2016)

Members
Senator Leyonhjelm (Chair), Senator Day (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards, Madigan, McAllister, O’Sullivan, and Simms

Participating members

Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Lindgren, Macdonald, McKenzie, Paterson, Reynolds, Seselja and Williams

Non-government

Report presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)

• Refreshing the plan—
  Report (tabled 17 March 2016)
  Corrigendum (received 22 March 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)

National Broadband Network—Select Committee
(appointed 14 November 2013; resolution of appointment varied 25 March 2015; final report due on the last day of sitting of the 44th Parliament)

Members
Senator McLucas (Chair), Senator Johnston (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bilyk, Conroy, Lindgren, Ludlam and Reynolds

Participating members

Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Canavan, Edwards, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Seselja, Smith and Williams

Non-government

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)

• Interim report (tabled 26 March 2014)

• Second interim report (tabled 19 March 2015)
National Capital and External Territories—Joint Standing Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)
Members
Mr Simpkins (Chair), Senator Brown (Deputy Chair), The Deputy President and Chair of Committees, the Deputy Speaker, and Senators Back, Gallagher, Hanson-Young and Seselja, and Mrs BK Bishop, Ms Brodtmann, Mr BC Scott, Mr Snowdon and Mr Vasta
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• Governance in the Indian Ocean Territories: Economic development—
  Interim report (tabled 24 June 2015)
  Final report (tabled 17 March 2016)
• Same country: different world – The future of Norfolk Island—Report (tabled 28 October 2014)

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013; as soon as practicable after 30 June each year, an annual report to be presented on the activities of the committee during the year)
Members
Mr Billson (Chair), Senator Gallacher (Deputy Chair), and Senators Lindgren, Paterson, Seselja, Siewert and Urquhart, and Dr Gillespie, Ms Hall, Ms Macklin, Mr Matheson and Ms Rishworth
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• Implementation and administration of the National Disability Insurance Scheme—
  Progress report (received 29 July 2014 and tabled 26 August 2014)
  Progress report (tabled 12 November 2015)

Northern Australia—Joint Select Committee
(appointed 4 December 2013; resolution of appointment varied 26 June and 28 August 2014 – allowing committee to continue to operate after presenting its final report, on 4 September 2014, until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time, and to be able to report from time to time)
Members
Mr Entsch (Chair), Ms MacTiernan (Deputy Chair), and Senators Lindgren, McLucas, O’Neill, Siewert and Smith, and Mr Christensen, Mr Gray, Mrs Griggs, Ms Price and Mr Snowdon
Participating members
Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Edwards, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Reynolds, Seselja and Williams, and Ms ML Landry
Non-government

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Bill 2016—Advisory report (received 14 April 2016 and tabled 18 April 2016)
- Pivot north: Inquiry into the development of northern Australia—
  Interim report (tabled 16 June 2014)
  Final report (tabled 4 September 2014)
- Scaling up: Inquiry into opportunities for expanding aquaculture in northern Australia—Report (tabled 23 February 2016)

Parliamentary Library—Joint Standing Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)

Members
Ms Brodtmann and Senator Seselja (Joint Chairs), Senators Back, Lindgren, Lines and Moore, and Mr Broadbent, Mr Danby, Ms Hall, Mr Irons and Mr Wilson

Privileges—Standing Committee

Members
Senator Collins (Chair), Senator Macdonald (Deputy Chair), and Senators Abetz, Ludlam, McEwen, McKenzie, Smith and Urquhart

Current inquiries
- That:
  (a) whether any false or misleading evidence was given to the former Select Committee on the Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru in relation to the apparent surveillance of a senator while on a visit to Nauru in December 2013; and
  (b) if so, whether any contempt was committed in that regard (referred 10 November 2015)
- That:
  (a) whether any false or misleading evidence was given to the former Select Committee on the Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru in relation to a disturbance at the centre on 19 July 2013; and
  (b) if so, whether any contempt was committed in that regard (referred 10 November 2015)
Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- 161—Possible imposition of a penalty on a witness before the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—Report (tabled 12 August 2015)

Persons referred to in the Senate—
- 155—Father Frank Brennan SJ AO—Report (tabled 12 December 2013)
- 156—Mr Bernard Collaery—Report (tabled 15 May 2014)
- 158—Ms Heather Sculthorpe, Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre Incorporated—Report (tabled 2 October 2014)
- 159—Mr Alan Manly and Ms Jennifer McCarthy, Group Colleges Australia—Report (tabled 2 December 2014)

Procedure—Standing Committee

Members
The Deputy President (Chair), the President, the Leader of the Government in the Senate, the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, and Senators Bushby, Fifield, McEwen, Moore, Siewert and Smith

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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2013—
- Second report—Parliamentary privilege: republication of Hansard extracts; Speaking time in the open-ended adjournment debate; Removal of gender-specific language in standing orders; Routine of business (tabled 12 December 2013)

2014—
- First report—Temporary orders; Matters referred to by the Scrutiny of Bills Committee; Question time; Routine of business (tabled 26 June 2014)
- Third report—Routine of business – proposals for discussion; Photography in the Senate chamber; Seating for members of the House of Representatives on the floor of the Senate chamber (received 9 September 2014 and tabled 22 September 2014)

2015—
- First report—Appropriations and Staffing Committee; Cross-bench committee membership, chairing and order of speakers; Powers of Chair in relation to disorder; Language of matters raised under standing order 75; Changes to standing and other orders relating to estimates hearings (tabled 24 March 2015)
• Second report—Temporary orders relating to the routine of business and consideration of private senators’ bills; Third party arbitration of public interest immunity claims *(tabled 23 June 2015)*
• Third report—Ministerial statements; Publications Committee *(tabled 10 November 2015)*

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**Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee**

**Members**

Mr Macfarlane *(Chair)*, Mr Conroy *(Deputy Chair)*, and Senators Bernardi, Ketter, McAllister, McKenzie and Smith, and Mr Albanese, Ms Brodtmann, Mr Giles, Dr Gillespie, Mr Robert and Dr Southcott

**Reports presented during the 44th Parliament**

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**Report no.—**

- **440**—Annual report for 2012-13—Report *(received 26 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)*
- **441**—Inquiry into *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 Rules Development*—Report *(tabled 14 May 2014)*
- **444**—Annual report for 2013-14—Report *(tabled 24 September 2014)*
- **445**—Regional Cities Program, KPIs and Medicare: Review of Auditor-General’s reports nos 10 to 31 (2013-14)—Report *(tabled 24 September 2014)*
- **446**—Review of the operations of the Parliamentary Budget Office—Report *(tabled 2 December 2014)*
- **447**—EPBC Act, cyber security, mail screening, ABR and Helicopter Program: Review of Auditor-General’s reports nos 32 to 54 (2013-14)—Report *(tabled 3 March 2015)*
- **449**—Regional Development Australia Fund, military equipment disposal and tariff concessions: Review of Auditor-General’s reports nos 1 to 23 (2014-15)—Report *(tabled 12 August 2015)*
- **450**—Annual report for 2014-15—Report *(tabled 9 September 2015)*
- **452**—Natural disaster recover; Centrelink telephone services; and Safer Streets Program: Review of Auditor-General reports nos 24 to 50 (2014-15)—Report *(received 7 December 2015 and tabled 2 February 2016)*
- **453**—Development of the Commonwealth Performance Framework—Report *(received 18 December 2015 and tabled 2 February 2016)*
- **455**—Parliamentary delegation to New Zealand and Fiji by members of the JCPAA—Report *(tabled 23 February 2016)*
Documents tabled during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)

Statements on the draft budget estimates for the Australian National Audit Office and the Parliamentary Budget Office for—
• 2014-15 (tabled 14 May 2014)
• 2015-16 (tabled 13 May 2015)

Public Works—Joint Statutory Committee

Members
Senator Smith (Chair), Mr Perrett (Deputy Chair), and Senators Gallacher and Williams, and Ms Claydon, Mr Goodenough, Ms Ryan, Ms FM Scott and Dr Southcott

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• Parliamentary delegation to Indonesia and Thailand by members of the Public Works Committee—Report (tabled 2 December 2014)

Annual reports—
• Seventy-seventh (2013)—Report (tabled 12 February 2013)
• Seventy-ninth (2015)—Report (tabled 15 March 2016)

Reports on referrals to the committee—
• 1/2014: Referrals made December 2013: Proposed integrated fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at the site known as Site 5 and 6, the Revitalised Dan denong Project, Dandenong—Report (tabled 12 February 2014)
• 4/2014: Referrals made March 2014: AIR 9000 Phase 5C Replacement Chinook Facilities Project, Townsville, Queensland; Defence Terrestrial Communications Network Facilities and Infrastructure Project—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)


7/2015: Referrals made June 2015: Campbell Barracks Redevelopment Project, Swanbourne, Western Australia; REDFIN Phase 1B Infrastructure – facilities required for the new fleet of special operations vehicles; OneSKY Perth Air Traffic Services Centre – modernisation works—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)

8/2015: Referrals made June 2015: Fit-out of existing leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at 121-125 Henry Street, Penrith, NSW; Fit-out of leased premises for the Administrative Appeals Tribunal at 83 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW; OneSKY Equipment Rooms Project in Melbourne and Brisbane—Report (tabled 15 September 2015)

9/2015: Referrals made August 2015: HMAS Stirling Redevelopment, Stage 3A, Garden Island, Western Australia; Brisbane and Cairns control tower life extensions; Melbourne and Brisbane Air Traffic Service Centre – extension works—Report (tabled 24 November 2015)


Publications—Standing Committee

Members

Senator Reynolds (Chair), Senator Bilyk (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bushby, Lindgren, Marshall, Paterson and Peris

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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- 1st report (tabled 12 December 2013)
- 2nd report (tabled 12 February 2014)
- 3rd report (tabled 5 March 2014)
- 4th report (tabled 26 March 2014)
- 5th report (tabled 15 May 2014)
- 6th report (tabled 26 June 2014)
- 7th report (tabled 17 July 2014)
- 8th report (tabled 4 September 2014)
- 9th report (tabled 2 October 2014)
- 10th report (tabled 30 October 2014)
- 11th report (tabled 10 February 2015)
- 12th report (tabled 12 February 2015)
- 13th report (tabled 5 March 2015)
- 14th report (tabled 14 May 2015)
- 16th report (tabled 20 August 2015)
- 17th report (tabled 17 September 2015)
- 18th report (tabled 15 October 2015)
- 19th report (tabled 12 November 2015)
- 20th report (tabled 3 December 2015)
- 21st report (tabled 4 February 2016)
- 22nd report (tabled 3 March 2016)
- 23rd report (tabled 17 March 2016)

Recent Allegations relating to Conditions and Circumstances at the Regional Processing Centre in Nauru—Select Committee

(Appointed 26 March 2015; interim report received 12 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015; reporting date varied 15 June 2015; report received 31 July 2015 – with a recommendation that as ‘it has not been possible to finalise the report’ by this date, Senator Gallacher proposes to ‘put forward a motion when the Senate reconvenes on 10 August 2015 to reappoint the committee with the same terms of reference and a new reporting date’ – and tabled 10 August 2015)

(Reappointed 10 August 2015; final report received 31 August 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015)

Reports presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)

- Interim report (received 12 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
- Report (received 31 July 2015 and tabled 10 August 2015)
• Final report—Taking responsibility: conditions and circumstances at Australia’s Regional Processing Centre in Nauru (received 31 August 2015 and tabled 7 September 2015) and corrigendum to the dissenting report from Coalition senators (tabled 8 September 2015)

Regulations and Ordinances—Legislative Scrutiny Committee

Members

Senator Williams (Chair), Senator Marshall (Deputy Chair), and Senators Moore, Peris, Reynolds and Seselja

Delegated legislation monitors presented during the 44th Parliament

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2013—

• No. 8 (tabled 4 December 2013)
• No. 9 (tabled 11 December 2013)

2014—

• No. 1 (tabled 12 February 2014)
• No. 2 (tabled 5 March 2014)
• No. 3 (tabled 19 March 2014)
• No. 4 (tabled 26 March 2014)
• No. 5 (tabled 14 May 2014)
• No. 6 (tabled 19 June 2014)
• No. 7 (tabled 26 June 2014)
• No. 8 (tabled 9 June 2014)
• No. 9 (tabled 16 July 2014)
• No. 10 (tabled 27 August 2014)
• No. 11 (tabled 3 September 2014)
• No. 12 (tabled 24 September 2014)
• No. 13 (tabled 1 October 2014)
• No. 14 (tabled 29 October 2014)
• No. 15 (tabled 19 November 2014)
• No. 16 (tabled 26 November 2014)
• No. 17 (tabled 3 December 2014)

2015—

• No. 1 (tabled 11 February 2015)
• No. 2 (tabled 4 March 2015)
• No. 3 (tabled 18 March 2015)
• No. 4 (tabled 25 March 2015)
• No. 5 (tabled 13 May 2015)
• No. 6 (tabled 17 June 2015)
• No. 7 (tabled 24 June 2015)
• No. 8 (tabled 12 August 2015)
• No. 9 (tabled 19 August 2015)
• No. 10 (tabled 10 September 2015)
• No. 11 (tabled 17 September 2015)
• No. 12 (tabled 12 October 2015)
• No. 13 (tabled 13 October 2015)
• No. 14 (tabled 11 November 2015)
• No. 15 (tabled 25 November 2015)
• No. 16 (tabled 2 December 2015)

2016—
• No. 1 (tabled 3 February 2016)
• No. 2 (tabled 24 February 2016)
• No. 3 (tabled 2 March 2016)
• No. 4 (tabled 17 March 2016)

Report presented during the 44th Parliament
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Report of the work of the committee—
• 2012-13—Report no. 118 (tabled 11 December 2013)

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

Portfolios
Agriculture; Infrastructure and Regional Development

Members
Senator Heffernan (Chair), Senator Sterle (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards, Gallacher, Siewert and Williams

Substitute member
Transport Security Amendment (Serious or Organised Crime) Bill 2016 [Provisions]—Senator Rice to replace Senator Siewert

Participating members

Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Canavan, Fawcett, Johnston, Lindgren, Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Paterson, Reynolds, Seselja and Smith

Non-government

Current inquiries
• Performance of Airservices Australia (adopted under standing order 25(2)(a), 29 October 2014)
• Transport Security Amendment (Serious or Organised Crime) Bill 2016 [Provisions] (referred 25 February 2016; reporting date: 11 May 2016)
• Primary Industries Levies and Charges Collection Amendment Bill 2016 [Provisions] (referred 17 March 2016; reporting date: 12 May 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)

Annual reports tabled by 31 October and 30 April—
• No. 2 of 2013—Report (tabled 11 December 2013)
• No. 1 of 2014—Report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• No. 2 of 2014—Report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• No. 1 of 2015—Report (tabled 17 March 2015)
• No. 2 of 2015—Report (tabled 8 September 2015)
• No. 1 of 2016—Report (tabled 2 March 2016)

Estimates—
• Additional estimates 2013-14—Report (tabled 18 March 2014)
• Budget estimates 2014-15—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• Additional estimates 2015-16—Report (tabled 1 March 2016)

Legislation—
• Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Removing Re-approval and Re-registration) Bill 2014 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 16 June 2014)
• Criminal Code Amendment (Animal Protection) Bill 2015—
  Interim report (received 29 May 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
  Report (received 12 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
  Dissenting report from Labor senators (tabled 16 June 2015)
• Food Standards Amendment (Fish Labelling) Bill 2015—Report (received 7 May 2015 and tabled 11 May 2015)
• Infrastructure Australia Amendment Bill 2013 [Provisions]—Report (tabled 17 March 2014)
• Rural Research and Development Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 [Provisions]—
  Report (tabled 3 December 2014)
  Dissenting report from Labor senators (received 5 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
• Shipping Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 [Provisions]—
  Report (tabled 12 October 2015)
  Dissenting report from Opposition senators (tabled 13 October 2015)
  Dissenting report from Australian Greens senators (tabled 13 October 2015)
• Water Amendment (Review Implementation and Other Measures) Bill 2015 [Provisions]—Report (received 10 March 2016 and tabled 15 March 2016)
Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Members

Senator Sterle (Chair), Senator Heffernan (Deputy Chair), and Senators Gallacher, Lines, Whish-Wilson and Williams

Substitute member

State of Australia’s rail industry—Senator Rice to replace Senator Whish-Wilson

Participating members

Government


Non-government


Current inquiries

• Aspects of road safety in Australia (referred 30 October 2014; reporting date: 3 June 2016)
• Airport and aviation security at Australian airports (referred 4 December 2014; reporting date: 19 May 2016)
• The future role and contributions of regional capitals (referred 11 February 2015; reporting date: 12 May 2016)
• The effect of market consolidation on the red meat processing sector (referred 18 March 2015; reporting date: 5 May 2016)
• Use of Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia (referred 18 June 2015; interim report tabled 2 February 2016; reporting date: 22 June 2016)
• Perth Freight Link (referred 13 August 2015; reporting date: 29 April 2016)
• State of Australia’s rail industry (referred 16 March 2016; reporting date: 25 August 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament

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• Australia’s transport energy resilience and sustainability—Report (tabled 25 June 2015)
• Australian grape and wine industry—Report (received 12 February 2016 and tabled 22 February 2016)
  Erratum (tabled 1 March 2016)
• Beef imports—
  Interim report (received 5 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  First report (received 12 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Erratum to first report (received 8 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Current and future arrangements for the marketing of Australian sugar—
  Report (tabled 24 June 2015)
  Erratum (received 21 July 2015 and tabled 10 August 2015)
• Current requirements for labelling of seafood and seafood products—Report (received 18 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
• Effect on Australian pineapple growers of importing fresh pineapple from Malaysia, effect on Australia ginger growers of importing fresh ginger from Fiji, and proposed importation of potatoes from New Zealand—
  Interim reports (3) (received 19 July and 4 September 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013; received 28 February 2013 and tabled 3 March 2014)
  Final report (received 31 March 2014 and tabled 13 May 2014)
• Future of the beekeeping and pollination service industries in Australia—Report (tabled 16 July 2014)
• Grain export networks, including the on- and off-farm storage, transport, handling and export of Australian grain—Report (received 4 June 2015 and tabled 15 June 2015)
• Implications of the restriction on the use of fenthion on Australia’s horticultural industry—Report (received 31 July 2014 and tabled 26 August 2014)
• Industry structures and systems governing levies on grass-fed cattle—Report (received 9 September 2014 and tabled 22 September 2014)
• Industry structures and systems governing the imposition and disbursement of marketing and research and development (R&D) levies in the agriculture sector—Report (received 30 June 2015)
• Matters not disposed of at the end of the 43rd Parliament—Report (tabled 14 November 2013)
• Ownership arrangements of grain handling—
  Interim reports (2) (received 31 July and 30 August 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Final report (tabled 4 December 2013)
• Practice of sports science in Australia—
  Interim reports (2) (received 10 July and 15 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
  Final report (received 23 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• Qantas’ future as a strong national carrier supporting jobs in Australia—Report (tabled 27 March 2014)
• Review of the citrus industry in Australia—
  Interim reports (2) [Australian citrus industry] (received 31 July 2013 and 27 September 2013; tabled 12 November 2013)
  Report (received 16 December 2013 and tabled 11 February 2014)
• Role of public transport in delivering productivity outcomes—Report (received 5 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
• Use of Flag of Convenience shipping in Australia—
  Interim report (tabled 2 February 2016)

School Funding—Select Committee
(appointed 12 December 2013; final report tabled 9 July 2014)
Report presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)
• Equity and excellence in Australian schools (tabled 9 July 2014)
School Funding Investment—Select Committee  
(appointed 4 February 2016; final report due 30 August 2016)  

Members  
Senator Dastyari (Chair), Senator Lazarus (Deputy Chair), and Senators McKenzie, McKim, O’Neill and Reynolds  

Participating members  
Government  

Non-government  

Scrutiny of Bills—Legislative Scrutiny Committee  

Members  
Senator Polley (Chair), Senator Williams (Deputy Chair), and Senators Bernardi, Heffernan, Ludwig and Siewert  

Alert Digests presented during the 44th Parliament  
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)  

2013—  
- No. 8 (tabled 4 December 2013)  
- No. 9 (tabled 11 December 2013)  

2014—  
- Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (Foreign Fighters) Bill 2014 (received 13 October 2014 and tabled 27 October 2014)  
- No. 1 (tabled 12 February 2014)  
- No. 2 (tabled 5 March 2014)  
- No. 3 (tabled 19 March 2014)  
- No. 4 (tabled 26 March 2014)  
- No. 5 (tabled 14 May 2014)  
- No. 6 (tabled 19 June 2014)  
- No. 7 (tabled 26 June 2014)  
- No. 8 (tabled 9 July 2014)  
- No. 9 (tabled 16 July 2014)  
- No. 10 (tabled 27 August 2014)  
- No. 11 (tabled 3 September 2014)  
- No. 12 (tabled 24 September 2014)  
- No. 13 (tabled 1 October 2014)  
- No. 14 (tabled 29 October 2014)  
- No. 15 (tabled 19 November 2014)  
- No. 16 (tabled 26 November 2014)  
- No. 17 (tabled 3 December 2014)
2015—
• No. 1 (tabled 11 February 2015)
• No. 2 (tabled 4 March 2015)
• No. 3 (tabled 18 March 2015)
• No. 4 (tabled 25 March 2015)
• No. 5 (tabled 13 May 2015)
• No. 6 (tabled 17 June 2015)
• No. 7 (tabled 12 August 2015)
• No. 8 (tabled 19 August 2015)
• No. 9 (tabled 9 September 2015)
• No. 10 (tabled 16 September 2015)
• No. 11 (tabled 14 October 2015)
• No. 12 (tabled 11 November 2015)
• No. 13 (tabled 25 November 2015)
• No. 14 (tabled 2 December 2015)

2016—
• No. 1 (tabled 3 February 2016)
• No. 2 (tabled 24 February 2016)
• No. 3 (tabled 2 March 2016)
• No. 4 (tabled 17 March 2016)

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
(First session from 12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016 | Second session from 18 April 2016)
• Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (Foreign Fighters) Bill 2014—Report (received 23 October 2014 and tabled 27 October 2014)
  Further report (tabled 29 October 2014)
• The work of the committee in 2014—Report (tabled 25 March 2015)
• Work of the committee during the 43rd Parliament: September 2010 to June 2013—Report (tabled 26 March 2014)

2013—
• Eighth report (tabled 4 December 2013)

2014—
• First report (tabled 12 February 2014)
• Second report (tabled 5 March 2014)
• Third report (tabled 19 March 2014)
• Fourth report (tabled 26 March 2014)
• Fifth report (tabled 14 May 2014)
• Sixth report (tabled 19 June 2014)
• Seventh report (tabled 26 June 2014)
• Eighth report (tabled 9 July 2014)
• Ninth report (tabled 16 July 2014)
• Tenth report (tabled 27 August 2014)
• Eleventh report (tabled 3 September 2014)
• Twelfth report (tabled 24 September 2014)
• Thirteenth report (tabled 1 October 2014)
• Fourteenth report (tabled 29 October 2014)
• Fifteenth report (tabled 19 November 2014)
Sixteenth report (tabled 26 November 2014)
Seventeenth report (tabled 3 December 2014)
2015—
First report (tabled 11 February 2015)
Second report (tabled 4 March 2015)
Third report (tabled 18 March 2015)
Fourth report (tabled 25 March 2015)
Fifth report (tabled 13 May 2015)
Sixth report (tabled 17 June 2015)
Seventh report (tabled 12 August 2015)
Eighth report (tabled 19 August 2015)
Ninth report (tabled 9 September 2015)
Tenth report (tabled 16 September 2015)
Eleventh report (tabled 14 October 2015)
Twelfth report (tabled 11 November 2015)
Thirteenth report (tabled 25 November 2015)
Fourteenth report (tabled 2 December 2015)
2016—
First report (tabled 3 February 2016)
Second report (tabled 24 February 2016)
Third report (tabled 2 March 2016)
Fourth report (tabled 17 March 2016)

Scrutiny of Government Budget Measures—Select Committee
(appointed 25 June 2014; variation of appointment (name amended) 11 August 2015
(formerly Abbott Government’s Budget Cuts); final report due 20 June 2016)

Members
Senator Whish-Wilson (Chair), Senator Singh (Deputy Chair), and Senators Edwards,
Lines, Paterson, Smith and Urquhart

Substitute members
Senator Brown to replace Senator Lines from 21 March to 30 April 2016
Senator Carr to replace Senator Urquhart until 10 May 2016

Participating members
Government
Senators Abetz, Back, Bernardi, Bushby, Fawcett, Heffernan, Johnston, Lindgren,
Macdonald, McKenzie, O’Sullivan, Reynolds, Seselja and Williams

Non-government
Senators Bilyk, Brown, Cameron, Carr, Collins, Conroy, Dastyari, Di Natale,
Gallacher, Gallagher, Hanson-Young, Ketter, Leyonhjelm, Lines, Ludlam, Ludwin,
Marshall, McAllister, McEwen, McKim, Mclucas, Moore, O’Neill, Peris, Polley,
Rhiannon, Rice, Siewert, Simms, Sterle, Urquhart, Waters, Wong and Xenophon

Report presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to
15 April 2016) under the name: Abbott Government’s Budget Cuts

• First interim report (received 4 February 2015 and tabled 9 February 2015)
Selection of Bills—Standing Committee

Members

The Government Whip (Chair), the Opposition Whip, The Nationals Whip, the Australian Greens Whip, the Palmer United Party Whip, and Senators Bilyk, Fawcett, Fifield and Moore

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament

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2013—

• No. 9—Report (tabled 14 November 2013)
• No. 10—Report (tabled 5 December 2013)
• No. 11—Report (tabled 12 December 2013)

2014—

• No. 1—Report (tabled 13 February 2014)
• No. 2—Report (tabled 6 March 2014)
• No. 3—Report (tabled 20 March 2014)
• No. 4—Report (tabled 27 March 2014)
• No. 5—Report (tabled 15 May 2014)
• No. 6—Report (tabled 17 June 2014)
• No. 7—Report (tabled 19 June 2014)
• No. 8—Report (tabled 26 June 2014)
• No. 9—Report (tabled 17 July 2014)
• No. 10—Report (tabled 28 August 2014)
• No. 11—Report (tabled 4 September 2014)
• No. 12—Report (tabled 25 September 2014)
• No. 13—Report (tabled 2 October 2014)
• No. 14—Report (tabled 30 October 2014)
• No. 15—Report (tabled 27 November 2014)
• No. 16—Report (tabled 4 December 2014)

2015—

• No. 1—Report (tabled 12 February 2015)
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- No. 1—Report (tabled 4 February 2016)
- No. 2—Report (tabled 25 February 2016)
- No. 3—Report (tabled 3 March 2016)
- No. 4—Report (tabled 17 March 2016)

Senators’ Interests—Standing Committee

Members

Senator Bilyk (Chair), and Senators Bernardi, Bushby, Hanson-Young, Johnston, Lines, O’Neill and Marshall

Notifications of alterations of interests presented during the 44th Parliament

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Register of senators’ interests incorporating statements of registrable interests and
notifications of alterations of interests lodged between—

- 27 June and 10 December 2013 (tabled 12 December 2013)
- 1 July and 31 August 2014 (tabled 4 September 2014)
- 1 September and 2 December 2014 (received 17 December 2014 and tabled 9 February 2015)
- 25 June and 1 December 2015 (tabled 3 December 2015)

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Trade and Investment Growth—Joint Select Committee

(appointed 23 September 2014; variation of appointment 18 August 2015 (reporting date amended); further variation of appointment 13 October 2015 (allowing committee to continue to operate after presenting its first report by 15 October 2015, until the House of Representatives is dissolved or expires by effluxion of time, and to be able to report from time to time); first report tabled 15 October 2015)

Members

Mr O’Dowd (Chair), and Senators Ludwig, Macdonald, Smith and Wang, and Mr Billson, Ms TM Butler, Mr Conroy, Mr Palmer and Mr Pasin

Participating members

Government


Non-government

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• Inquiry into business experience in utilising Australia’s free trade agreements—Report (tabled 15 October 2015)

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee
(appointed 2 December 2013)

Members
Mr Wyatt Roy (Chair), Mr Thomson (Deputy Chair), and Senators Back, Fawcett, Johnston, Lines, Ludwik, Sterle and Whish-Wilson, and Mr Hartsuyker, Mr O’Dowd, Ms Parke, Ms Price, Mr Watts, Mr Whiteley, Mrs Wicks and Mr Williams

Reports presented during the 44th Parliament
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• 135—Treaties tabled on 12 March and 14 May 2013—Report (received 23 July 2013 and tabled 12 November 2013)
• 139—Treaties tabled on 11 December 2013, referred on 15 January and tabled on 11 February 2014—Report (tabled 14 May 2014)
• 140—Treaty tabled on 13 May 2014—Report (tabled 24 June 2014)
• 141—Treaties tabled on 19 March and 13 May 2014—Report (tabled 15 July 2014)
• 142—Treaties tabled on 13 May 2014—Report (tabled 4 September 2014)
• 143—Treaties tabled on 17 June and 15 July 2014—Report (tabled 24 September 2014)
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• 152—Treaty tabled on 16 June 2015—Report (tabled 19 August 2015)
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• 157—Treaties tabled on 13 October 2015—Report (tabled 3 December 2015)
• 158—Treaties tabled on 10 November 2015—Report (tabled 23 February 2016)
• 159—Treaty tabled on 1 December 2015—Report (tabled 17 March 2016)
• 160—A history of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties: 20 years—Report (tabled 17 March 2016)

Unconventional Gas Mining—Select Committee
(appointed 12 November 2015; final report due 30 June 2016)

Members
Senator Lazarus (Chair), Senator Ludwig (Deputy Chair), and Senators Johnston, Lindgren, McEwen and Waters

Participating members
Government

Non-government

Wind Turbines—Select Committee
(appointed 24 November 2014; resolution of appointment varied 12 May 2015; final report received 3 August 2015 and tabled 10 August 2015)

Reports presented during the first session of the 44th Parliament (12 November 2013 to 15 April 2016)
• Interim report (tabled 18 June 2015)
• Final report (received 3 August 2015 and tabled 3 August 2015)

SENATE 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 Seselja (appointed 11 December 2013, 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).

ROSEMARY LAING
Clerk of the Senate
## Ministerial Representation

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A GUIDE TO THE NOTICE PAPER

A Notice Paper is issued each sitting day containing details of current business before the Senate. It works in conjunction with the Senate Order of Business (otherwise known as the Red) which sets out the daily routine of business to be followed as per standing order 57.

Standing orders are the rules or procedures set down by the Senate to govern the Senate and its committees. The current version of The Senate: Standing Orders and other orders of the Senate is available on the Senate website at www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/Parliamentary_procedures/standingorders

The publication of the Notice Paper is authorised by standing order 43(2).

Placement of business on the Notice Paper

The way business is placed on the Notice Paper is set down according to standing orders and is listed under one of the following four categories:

- **Matters of privilege** which take precedence over all other business and are listed at the beginning of the Notice Paper when they arise. They consist of notices of motion which the President has determined warrant such precedence and any orders relating to adjourned debates on such motions.

- **Business of the Senate** which has precedence over government and general business for the day on which it is listed. It includes disallowance motions, orders of the day for the presentation of committee reports, motions to refer matters to standing committees, motions for leave of absence for a senator and motions concerning the qualification of a senator.

- **Government business** which is business initiated by a minister including the consideration of government legislation. It takes precedence over general business except for a period of 2½ hours each week set aside on Thursdays for general business.

- **General business** which is all other business initiated by senators who are not ministers. It takes precedence over government business only as described above. (See below for a breakdown of this section.)

Within each of the above categories you may find notices of motions and/or orders of the day:

- **Notices of motion** are statements indicating that senators intend to move particular motions on the days indicated. They are entered on the Notice Paper in the order given and may be given jointly by two or more senators. Notices of motion are usually considered before orders of the day.

- **Orders of the day** are items of business which the Senate has ordered to be considered on particular days, usually arising from adjourned debates on matters, including legislation, or requirements to present committee reports.

On days other than Thursdays, the Notice Paper records all business of the Senate and government business items, but includes only new items of general business from the previous sitting day. On Thursdays, to take account of General Business at 4.30 pm, a full listing of business relating to the consideration of government documents, committee reports and government responses to committee reports and Auditor-General’s reports is also published.
Sections of the Notice Paper

Temporary Chairs of Committees
A daily list of all senators appointed to take the chair in the absence of the President or Deputy President.

Other than the sections: Matters of Privilege, Business of the Senate and Government Business, the Notice Paper, may also contain the following:

General Business, including:
- Orders of the Day—Adjourned debates on motions initiated by private senators to take note of business other than a government document or a private senator’s bill as these have their own sections.
- Orders of the day relating to Private Senators’ Bills—Adjourned debates on motions to consider bills introduced by senators in a personal capacity. New items appear in the following day’s Notice Paper.
  These can also be listed for consideration for up to 2 hours and 20 minutes on Thursday mornings.

Documents
New documents tabled pursuant to order and those which have had motion moved to take note and the debate adjourned. Such orders arise from consideration of the documents presented on a particular day and include consideration of any documents not reached on the day.

They are also listed for consideration for up to one hour on Thursdays during the consideration of general business, and as a result the section appears in full in the Thursday’s printed Notice Paper.

Committee Reports and Government Responses, and Auditor-General’s Reports
Adjourned debates on motions: to consider or adopt committee reports and government responses, or to consider Auditor-General’s reports. These orders may be considered for one hour on Thursdays at the conclusion of general business, and as a result the section appears in full in the Thursday’s printed Notice Paper.

Business for Future Consideration
Lists any notice of motion or order of the day to be considered on a specific day in the future, for example, a committee report ordered to be presented on a specific date, or a notice of motion given for a day other than the next day of sitting.

Business, is listed under the date it is to dealt with in the chamber, starting with the next day of sitting. Any business to which a date cannot be allocated, for example, the tabling date may be a result of some other event occurring, will be placed at the end of the section.

Bills Referred to Committees
Lists all bills or provisions of bills currently being considered by Senate or joint committees, including details of: who referred, to which committee, when referred, variations to the reporting date, any interim reports presented and final reporting date.

Questions on Notice
Includes a listing of numbers of all unanswered questions on notice, available at www.aph.gov.au/SenateQON, and a number range of questions on notice which remain unanswered for more than 30 days.

Answers to Estimates Questions on Notice
Lists the dates set by standing committees for the answering of questions taken on notice during estimates hearings.
Orders of the Senate
An order of the Senate is a resolution agreed to by the Senate which is regarded as continuing in effect unless its terms indicate that it has a limited life, or is spent by the effluxion of time or the circumstances to which it applied no longer exist.
This section can include resolutions such as: new or amendments of standing orders which have not yet appeared in a current reprint, temporary orders of the Senate, the authorisation of committees to meet during the sitting of the Senate, and orders for production of documents.

Contingent Notices of Motion
These are statements of intention by senators that, contingent on a specified occurrence, they may move a motion, usually to suspend standing orders. They are grouped by subject.

Categories of Committees
Details in list form, categorised by type, all Senate and joint committees. Specific details of each committee appear in the section Committees.

Committees
An alphabetical listing of all Senate and joint committees, including their membership, current inquiries and reports presented on or since the previous sitting day i.e. presented out of sitting.

Senate Appointments to Statutory Authorities
A listing of the statutory authorities on which the Senate is represented and details of representation.

Ministerial Representation
A listing of Senate ministers and the portfolios they represent.

Inquiries concerning the Notice Paper or business listed in it may be directed to the Senate Table Office on (02) 6277 3018.

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