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

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

Business listed for today

- Matters of privilege
  - Proposed references to the Privileges Committee

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Other information

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- Orders of the Senate
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BUSINESS LISTED FOR TODAY
BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs Legislation Committee; Economics Legislation Committee; Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
   Reports to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

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

3 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Orders of the Day

1 Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 March 2017).

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

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

5 Social Security Legislation Amendment (Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire) Bill 2016
Adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister (Senator McGrath)—That this bill be now read a second time.

And on the amendment moved by Senator Cameron—At the end of the motion, add “but that further consideration of this bill be made an order of the day for the first sitting day after the Government has tabled a statement outlining how it intends to ensure that, under Youth Jobs Path: Prepare, Trial, Hire:

(a) jobs will not be displaced by cheaper labour;
(b) wages will not be undercut and participants will not be paid below minimum award wages;
(c) participants’ safety will not be compromised and adequate insurance arrangements will be provided; and
(d) small to medium enterprises will be prioritised in ‘Prepare, Trial, Hire’ as they have a demonstrated track record of employing more job seekers through their jobactive program” (13 February 2017).

*6 Treasury Laws Amendment (Enterprise Tax Plan) Bill 2016—(Minister for Finance, Senator Cormann)

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

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

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

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

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

12 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Transition Mobility Allowance to the National Disability Insurance Scheme) Bill 2016—(Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Ruston)
Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 November 2016).
13 **Agriculture and Water Resources Legislation Amendment Bill 2016**
   Excise Levies Legislation Amendment (Honey) Bill 2016— *(Minister for Defence, Senator Payne)*
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (14 February 2017).

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

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

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

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

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

19 **Advances provided under the annual Appropriation Acts**— *(Report for 2015-16)*
   Consideration in committee of the whole (20 March 2017).

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

21 **Governor-General’s Opening Speech**
   Adjourned debate on the motion of Senator Hume—That the following address-in-reply be agreed to:
   
   To His Excellency the Governor-General
   
   MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY—
   
   We, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, desire to express our loyalty to our Most Gracious Sovereign and to thank Your Excellency for the speech which you have been pleased to address to Parliament *(Minister for Employment (Senator Cash), in continuation, 13 September 2016).*
GENERAL BUSINESS

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

Notices of Motion

Notice given 23 March 2017

274 Senator Pratt: To move—That—

(1) The Senate notes:

   (a) the failure of the Attorney-General and officers of the Attorney-General’s Department to provide any responses to many of the questions asked in the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee inquiry into the nature and scope of any agreement reached by the Commonwealth and Western Australian governments in relation to the distribution of proceeds of the liquidation of, and litigation concerning, the Bell Group of companies (the proceeds);

   (b) answers to these questions would enable clear facts to be established regarding the Commonwealth’s actions, and give the public confidence the Commonwealth is acting consistent with its constitutional responsibilities and protecting its position with the states; and

   (c) the failure to provide answers has significantly compromised the ability of the committee to fulfil the terms of reference of the inquiry.

(2) The Senate requires the Attorney-General, by 12.45 pm on 29 March 2017, to provide answers to the committee to questions taken on notice by him or officers of the Attorney-General’s Department, listed in Appendix 1 of the committee’s interim report tabled in the Senate on 22 March 2017, or alternatively make a substantive claim of public interest immunity that is acceptable to the Senate.

(3) The committee report to the Senate on the Attorney-General’s compliance with this resolution on 29 March 2017.

(4) The Senate requires that the Attorney-General be in the Senate at 9.30 am on 30 March 2017, so that a senator may ask the Attorney-General for an explanation in connection with his actions on this matter, and at the conclusion of the explanation any senator may move a motion to take note of the explanation; or if the Attorney-General fails to provide an explanation, any senator may move to take note of his failure to do so.

275 Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the Senate—

   (a) acknowledges the vertical fiscal imbalance in the Australian federal system and the impact this has on local government’s ability to meet its expenditure responsibilities;

   (b) notes that Financial Assistance Grants to local government have been subject to an index freeze since the 2014-15 Federal Budget; and

   (c) calls on the Government to lift the freeze on indexation of the Financial Assistance Grants in the 2017-18 Federal Budget.
Notice given 27 March 2017

*278** Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to establish Renew Australia, and for related purposes. *Renew Australia Bill 2017.*

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

(a) notes that:

(i) the first Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs was appointed by the Fraser Government in 1978,

(ii) subsequent Labor and Coalition Federal Governments have appointed Ministers with a portfolio concerned with youth, and the Howard Government had three different ministers who held the youth affairs portfolio,

(iii) in 2013, the Abbott Government abolished the youth portfolio,

(iv) in May 2014, the Government advised it was planning a “focused and targeted approach” to consult with young people, yet, this year is likely the last National Youth Week with no funding in the forward estimates—the Deloitte 2017 Millennial Survey suggests that young people struggle to engage with major political parties and not having a Youth Minister acts as a clear signal that engagement with young people is not a priority for this Government, and

(v) Australia’s youth unemployment and underemployment is an increasingly systemic concern—the current youth unemployment rate sits at 13.3 per cent, and the youth underemployment rate sits at 18.3 per cent; and

(b) calls on the Government to:

(i) to appoint a Minister for Young People,

(ii) ensure that this minister have a particular focus upon youth engagement, youth employment and transition to work, and

(iii) ensure that this minister sit within the Cabinet.

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

(a) congratulates organisations and groups across Australia providing essential services to people who are homeless, including the Larrakia Nation, Darwin; 24/7 Street Kitchen and Safe Space, Sydney; Food Not Bombs, Adelaide; After Dark Saints, Brisbane; South West Australian Homeless People; and the Homeless Persons Union, Victoria; and

(b) calls on the Government to increase federal funding for homelessness services and public housing, and ensure the money is spent effectively.

*281** Senator Rice: To move—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Energy, by no later than 9.30 am on 30 March 2017, the following documents:

(a) any correspondence between the Department of the Environment and Energy and the Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources or his ministerial staff in relation to the Draft National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater’s Possum; and
(b) any correspondence between the Department of the Environment and Energy and the Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources or her ministerial staff relating to the Draft National Recovery Plan for Leadbeater’s Possum.

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

(a) notes:

(i) the success of the inaugural Australian Football League Women’s (AFLW) competition held between 3 February 2017 and 25 March 2017,

(ii) the enormous public support for the women’s competition was reflected in crowd numbers at games, with many games reaching stadium capacity, and

(iii) the grand final held on 25 March 2017 was attended by more than 15,000 people;

(b) congratulates:

(i) all eight teams who participated in the competition,

(ii) the Adelaide Crows for winning the inaugural AFLW premiership,

(iii) Adelaide Crows player, Ms Erin Phillips for winning Best on Ground in the grand final and the AFL Players’ Association Most Valuable Player,

(iv) Adelaide Crows player, Ms Chelsea Randall for being awarded Most Courageous Player, and

(v) Melbourne’s Ms Daisy Pearce for being recognised as the AFL Players’ Association Best Captain; and

(c) calls on the Government to support grassroots initiatives that promote gender equity in sport and help to ensure women are able to participate at a professional level in traditionally male-dominated sports.

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

(a) acknowledges the recent electricity supply shortages in South Australia that resulted in rolling blackouts, even though generation capacity existed in gas power plants that lay idle;

(b) recognises the potential for batteries and energy storage to both stabilise energy supply and drive down costs in South Australia; and

(c) calls on the Government to fix the National Energy Market’s rules and level the playing field by implementing 5-minute settlement periods.

*284 Senator Ludlam: To move—That the Senate—

(a) expresses its deep concern that the Government is unable to rule out Australia’s involvement in the recent air strikes in Mosul which caused the deaths of more than 200 civilians, well over a week after the incident;

(b) calls on the Government to confirm by 5 pm on 29 March 2017 whether or not Australian command and control aircraft or other assets are implicated in the air strikes; and

(c) expresses its sincere condolences to families and friends of the civilians who were killed in this appalling strike.
Senator Ludlam: To move—That—

(1) The Senate notes that:

(a) on six previous occasions the Government has refused to release the business case and cost-benefit analysis for the $1.9 billion Perth Freight Link on the grounds that it would prejudice relations between the Commonwealth and the states; and

(b) given the resounding defeat of the Barnett Liberal government in Western Australia and the change of government on 11 March 2017, this ground is no longer applicable.

(2) There be laid on the table by the Minister for Finance, by no later than 2 pm on 29 March 2017, the full un-redacted business case and cost-benefit analysis for the Perth Freight Link.

ORDERS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

262 Future Submarine Project—Order for production of documents
By the Minister for Defence, by the start of business on 28 March 2017, the Australian Industry Capability Plan for the Future Submarine, and the Australian Steel Development and Qualification Study. (Motion of Senators Xenophon and Carr agreed to 22 March 2017.)

BUSINESS LISTED FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

On the next day of sitting (29 March 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 30 November 2016

1 Senator Whish-Wilson: To move—That the following matter be referred to the Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 10 May 2017:

The tax and royalties collected from the extraction and sale of Australia’s oil and gas resources, with particular reference to:

(a) the adequacy and integrity of the existing Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT) and Commonwealth royalty regime;

(b) compliance with the PRRT and Commonwealth royalty regime;

(c) responsibilities and effectiveness of state and Federal Government departments in administering the existing PRRT and Commonwealth royalty regime;

(d) the suitability of the PRRT and Commonwealth royalty regime in the modern global economy;

(e) the comparison of tax and royalty regimes with other oil and gas producing countries that export to the Asia-Pacific region;
(f) principles for modification of the PRRT as it applies to gas;
(g) principles for an extended Commonwealth royalty regime covering offshore oil and gas projects in Commonwealth waters; and
(h) any other related matters.

Notice given 21 March 2017


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

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

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

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Environment and Communications References Committee
Final report to be presented on closures of electricity generators.

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.)

General Business—Notices of Motion

Notice given 21 March 2017

251 Senator Rhiannon: To move—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the law in relation to workplace relations, and for related purposes. Fair Work Amendment (Pay Protection) Bill 2017.

Notice given 22 March 2017

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

(1) That a joint select committee, to be known as the Joint Select Committee on Oversight of the Implementation of Recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse be established to inquire into and report upon:

(a) the response and implementation of the recommendations of the Royal Commission by the Australian Government, state and territory governments and relevant not-for-profit organisations;

(b) the Australian Government policy, program and legal response, including the establishment and operation of the Commonwealth Redress Scheme and ongoing support of survivors; and
(c) any matter in relation to the Royal Commission’s recommendations referred to the committee by a resolution of either House of the Parliament.

(2) That the committee present its final report on or before 1 December 2018.

(3) That the committee consist of 12 members – 7 senators, and 5 members as follows:
   (a) 3 to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the Senate;
   (b) 2 to be nominated by the Leader of the Government in the House of Representatives;
   (c) 2 to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate;
   (d) 3 to be nominated by the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives;
   (e) 1 to be nominated by minority groups or independents in the Senate; and
   (f) the Leader of Derryn Hinch’s Justice Party (Senator Hinch).

(4) That every nomination of a member of the committee be notified in writing to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(12) That the committee have power to adjourn from time to time and to sit during any adjournment of the Senate and the House of Representatives.
(13) That the provisions of this resolution, so far as they are inconsistent with the standing orders, have effect notwithstanding anything contained in the standing orders.

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

Order for Production of Documents

*263 Export Finance and Insurance Corporation and chilled meat trade—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, by 29 March 2017, documents relating to the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation to support the chilled meat trade in free trade agreement negotiations with any country, including Indonesia. (Motion of Senator Rhiannon agreed to 27 March 2017.)

On 30 March 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

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

44 Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Take-Home Pay) Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Senators Cameron, Di Natale and Lambie)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (Senator Polley, in continuation, 23 March 2017).

On 31 March 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

On 7 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Resilience of Electricity Infrastructure in a Warming World—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.
Orders for Production of Documents

*272 Bell Group liquidation and the Bell Act—Order for production of documents
By the Attorney-General to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, by no later than noon on 7 April 2017, documents relating to the Bell Group liquidation and the Bell Act. (Motion of Senator Pratt agreed to 27 March 2017.)

*273 Bell Group liquidation—Order for production of documents
By the Minister representing the Minister for Revenue and Financial Services to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee, by no later than noon on 7 April 2017, a document relating to the Bell Group liquidation and the Bell Act. (Motion of Senator Pratt agreed to 27 March 2017.)

On 10 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

On 12 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
Report to be presented on the non-payment of the Superannuation Guarantee.

On 13 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

On 20 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

On 21 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
Report to be presented on the Nauru and Manus Island regional processing centres.
On 28 April 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on asbestos.

On 4 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

2 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the 2016-17 additional estimates.

On 9 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability (Location of Corporate Commonwealth Entities) Order 2016.

2 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Corrupting Benefits) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

3 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

4 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2016. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

5 Economics Legislation Committee
   Report to be presented on the provisions of the Treasury Laws Amendment (GST Low Value Goods) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

Government Business—Order of the Day

1 Civil Law and Justice Legislation Amendment Bill 2017—(Senate bill)—(Attorney-General, Senator Brandis)
   Second reading—Adjourned debate (22 March 2017).
On 10 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the complaints process under the Health Practitioners Regulation National Law.

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

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

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

5 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on price regulation associated with the Prostheses List Framework.

On 11 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 13 February 2017

1 Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Di Natale): To move—that items 1 and 4 of Schedule 1 of the Therapeutic Goods and Other Legislation Amendment (Narcotic Drugs) Regulation 2016, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument No. and made under the Crimes Act 1914 and the Therapeutic Goods Act 1989, be disallowed [F2016L01652].

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

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

1 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on the management of credit and other transaction cards by the Department of Defence.

2 Finance and Public Administration References Committee
   Report to be presented on gender segregation in the workplace.

3 Economics References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Australian dairy industry.
General Business—Notice of Motion

Notice given 24 November 2016

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

On 22 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment Legislation Committee
Report to be presented on the provisions of the Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017. (Referred pursuant to Selection of Bills Committee report.)

On 25 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 31 May 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 13 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 15 February 2017

1 Senators Kakoschke-Moore and Lambie: To move—that the Family Law (Superannuation) (Provision of Information—Military Superannuation and Benefits Scheme) Amendment Determination 2016, made under the Family Law Act 1975, be disallowed [F2016L01759].

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

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Environment and Communications References Committee
Report to be presented on the commercial use of Tasmanian bumblebees.
On 15 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

Ten sitting days after today (20 June 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notices of Motion

Notice given 20 March 2017

1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Health Measures No. 4) Regulation 2016, made under the Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Act 1997, be disallowed [F2016L01751].
   Eleven sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

2 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Jervis Bay Territory Marine Safety Ordinance 2016, made under the Jervis Bay Territory Acceptance Act 1915, be disallowed [F2016L01756].
   Eleven sitting days remain, including today, to resolve the motion or the instrument will be deemed to have been disallowed.

On 20 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
   Report to be presented on Australian veterans.

On 21 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the Bell Group litigation.

3 Community Affairs References Committee
On 22 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

On 30 June 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

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

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

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

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

On 19 July 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 7 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Education and Employment References Committee
   Report to be presented on corporate avoidance of the *Fair Work Act 2009*. 
On 14 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

2 Strengthening Multiculturalism—Select Committee
   Report to be presented.

On 15 August 2017

General Business—Order of the Day

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

On 23 August 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

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

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

Fourteen sitting days after today (8 September 2017)

Business of the Senate—Notice of Motion

Notice given 27 March 2017

*1 Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Williams): To move—That the Export Control (Plants and Plant Products—Norfolk Island) Order 2016, made under the Export Control Act 1982, be disallowed [F2016L01796].

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

On 13 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Community Affairs References Committee
   Report to be presented on the National Disability Strategy 2010-2020.
On 14 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 30 September 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 18 October 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

General Business—Order of the Day

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

On 28 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

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

On 30 November 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

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

On 1 December 2017

Business of the Senate—Orders of the Day

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

3 Red Tape—Select Committee  
Report to be presented.

**On 6 December 2017**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee  
Report to be presented on the use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems (RPAS), Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and associated systems.

**On the last sitting day of the autumn sittings of 2018**

Business of the Senate—Order of the Day

1 Economics References Committee  
Report to be presented on the banking, insurance and financial services sector.

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

**BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE COMMITTEES**

Airports Amendment Bill 2016 [provisions]‡  
Referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee (referred 9 February 2017; reporting date: 28 March 2017)

Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Restoring Shortwave Radio) Bill 2017  
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 16 February 2017; reporting date: 10 May 2017)

Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment (Rural and Regional Advocacy) Bill 2015‡;  
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 15 September 2016; reporting date (final): 31 March 2017)

Fair Work Amendment (Corrupting Benefits) Bill 2017 [provisions]‡  
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 23 March 2017; reporting date: 9 May 2017)

Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Vulnerable Workers) Bill 2017 [provisions]‡  
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 23 March 2017; reporting date: 9 May 2017)

Fair Work Amendment (Repeal of 4 Yearly Reviews and Other Measures) Bill 2017 [provisions]‡  
Referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee (referred 23 March 2017; reporting date: 22 May 2017)
Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2016‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 13 October 2016; reporting date: the last sitting day in March 2017)

Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2017
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 23 March 2017; reporting date: 28 March 2017)

Interactive Gambling Amendment (Sports Betting Reform) Bill 2015‡
Referred to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee (referred 1 September 2016; reporting date: 29 March 2017)

Racial Discrimination Amendment Bill 2016
Referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee (referred 23 March 2017; reporting date: 9 May 2017)

Treasury Laws Amendment (GST Low Value Goods) Bill 2017 [provisions]‡
Referred to the Economics Legislation Committee (referred 23 March 2017; reporting date: 9 May 2017)

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

BILLS DISCHARGED OR NEGATIVED

Government bills

Plebiscite (Same-Sex Marriage) Bill 2016
Second reading negatived, 7 November 2016.

Social Services Legislation Amendment (Omnibus Savings and Child Care Reform) Bill 2017
Discharged, 23 March 2017.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Questions remaining unanswered

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

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

Community Affairs
  Health
  Social Services, including Human Services

Economics
  Industry, Innovation and Science
  Treasury

Education and Employment
  Education and Training
  Employment

Environment and Communications
  Communications and the Arts
  Environment and Energy

Finance and Public Administration
  Finance
  Parliament
  Prime Minister and Cabinet

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

Legal and Constitutional Affairs
  Attorney-General
  Immigration and Border Protection

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport
  Agriculture and Water Resources
  Infrastructure and Regional Development.

(Agreed to 31 August 2016)
Estimates hearings—2016-17 additional estimates; 2017-18 Budget estimates

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

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

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

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

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

(4) That committees meet in the following groups:

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

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

(5) That the committees report to the Senate on the following dates:

(a) Tuesday, 28 March 2017 in respect of the 2016-17 additional estimates; and
(b) Tuesday, 20 June 2017 in respect of the 2017-18 Budget estimates.

(Agreed to 8 November 2016; varied 8 February 2017)

Estimates—Unanswered questions on notice

That:

(a) answers be provided by 14 September 2016 to all legislation committees relating to all questions taken on notice by the committees’ predecessor committees with respect to the Additional estimates 2015-16 and the Budget estimates 2016-17, and which remained unanswered at the beginning of the new Parliament; and
(b) for the purposes of standing order 74(5), the day set for answering the question for each of the unanswered questions is 14 September 2016.  
(Agreed to 30 August 2016)

Exemption of bill from cut-off order
That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2017, allowing it to be considered during this period of sittings.  
(Agreed to 23 March 2017)

Meeting of Senate—2017
That the days of meeting of the Senate for the remainder of 2017 be as follows:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Agreed to 8 November 2016)

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

(a) whether, by reason of s 44(v) of the Constitution, or for any other reason, there is a vacancy in the representation of South Australia in the Senate for the place for which Robert John Day was returned;
(b) if the answer to Question (a) is “yes”, by what means and in what manner that vacancy should be filled;

(c) whether, by reason of s 44(v) of the Constitution, or for any other reason, Mr Day was at any time incapable of sitting as a Senator prior to the dissolution of the 44th Parliament and, if so, on what date he became so incapable;

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

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

(Agreed to 7 November 2016)

CONTINGENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Conduct of business

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

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

Formal business

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

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

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

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

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

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

Senator Lambie

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

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

Matters of urgency

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

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

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

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

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

Senator Lambie

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

Questions without notice

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

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

Statements

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

To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to make a statement to the Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that senator making that statement.

Tabling of documents

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

To move (contingent on any senator being refused leave to table a document in the Senate)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the senator moving that the document be tabled.
APPOINTMENTS TO STATUTORY AUTHORITIES

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

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

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

RICHARD PYE
Clerk

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- † = Date of Senate ⅔ Cut-Off
- B = Budget sitting week only
- ‡ = Additional estimates
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- ‡‡ = Cross portfolio estimates
- S = Senate hearings on Indigenous matters