



Senate Daily Summary

No. 49/2021

Wednesday, 1 December 2021

The Senate met from 9.30 am to 7.55 pm

Bills

Introduced

- [Commonwealth Electoral Amendment \(Ensuring Voter Choice Through Optional Preferential Voting and the Robson Rotation\) Bill 2021](#) [private senator's bill]

Passed

Without amendments

- [Telstra Corporation and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2021](#)
▶ Watch the debate [part one] [part two] 📄 Read the transcript [part one] [part two]
- [Defence Legislation Amendment \(Discipline Reform\) Bill 2021](#)
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These bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

With amendments

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2021 Measures No. 5\) Bill 2021](#)
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- [Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment \(Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority Board and Other Improvements\) Bill 2019](#)
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The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate's amendments and the bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

- [Electoral Legislation Amendment \(Political Campaigners\) Bill 2021](#)
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The House of Representatives will now consider the Senate's amendments

- [Autonomous Sanctions Amendment \(Thematic Sanctions\) Bill 2021](#)
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The House of Representatives will now consider the bill

Committees

Reports tabled

- [Scrutiny Digest 18 of 2021](#) Scrutiny of Bills Committee
- [Delegated legislation monitor 17 of 2021](#) Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee
- [Third interim report](#) COVID-19 Select Committee [The Senate adopted the recommendations contained in the interim report. See below at *Orders for the production of documents*]
- National Disability Insurance Scheme Joint Committee:
 - [General issues](#)
 - [NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission](#)
- [198th report – European tariff-rate quotas following withdrawal of the United Kingdom](#) Treaties Joint Committee

Reporting dates extended

- [Australia's oil and gas reserves](#) extended to 10 February 2022
- [Migration Amendment \(Protecting Migrant Workers\) Bill 2021 \[Provisions\]](#) extended to 11 March 2022
- [Statute Law Amendment \(Prescribed Forms\) Bill 2021](#) extended to 28 February 2022

Documents ordered to be produced

- The President tabled [correspondence from the Finance and Public Administration References Committee](#) regarding an [order agreed to on 29 November 2021](#)

Membership

- [Variations were agreed to](#)

[See also committee membership page](#)

Documents

Tabled documents

- [Government documents and documents presented by the President](#)
- [Clerk's documents](#) [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

To view individual instruments visit www.legislation.gov.au and search using the Federal Register of Legislation (FRL) number

Orders for the production of documents

Agreed to

- [Documents](#) relating to Food Standards Australia and New Zealand to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Aged Care, by no later than midday on 2 December 2021
- [Documents](#) relating to Food Standards Australia and New Zealand to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Aged Care, by no later than midday on 8 December 2021
- [Documents](#) relating to offshore petroleum exploration acreage releases to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Resources and Water, by no later than 8 December 2021

- [FOI disclosure documents](#) regarding Energy Empire to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Industry, Energy and Emissions Reduction, and the Minister representing the Minister for Resources and Water by no later than 7 December 2021
- [Documents](#) relating to the Three Capes Track Project to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development, by no later than 2 December 2021
- [Outstanding government responses to reports of the Environment and Communications References Committee](#) to be tabled by the Minister representing the Prime Minister, by no later than 3 pm on the first sitting Tuesday of 2022
- Answers to questions listed in Table 2.1 at Appendix 2 of the third interim report of the COVID-19 Select Committee to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Aged Care, by no later than 12 pm on 2 December 2021 [see [recommendation 3](#) contained in the COVID-19 Select Committee's third interim report]
- Documents relating to domestic facilities for the manufacture of the AstraZeneca vaccine to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Health, by no later than 12 pm on 2 December 2021 [see [recommendation 4](#) contained in the COVID-19 Select Committee's third interim report]
- Documents relating to the Australian vaccination strategy to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Aged Care, by no later than 12 pm on 2 December 2021 [see [recommendation 5](#) contained in the COVID-19 Select Committee's third interim report]

Petition

- Senator Hanson presented a [petition](#) regarding the COVID-19 Vaccination Status (Prevention of Discrimination) Bill 2021

Other business

Disallowance motions

Notice of intention to withdraw

- The Chair of the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) gave notice of her intention to withdraw the following notices on the next day of sitting:
 - Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Amendment (2021 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2021 [[F2021L00859](#)]
 - Taxation Administration (Data Sharing–Relevant COVID-19 Business Support Program) Declaration 2021 [[F2021L01157](#)]

Scheduling

- The [sitting calendar](#) and arrangements for [estimates hearings](#) in 2022 were agreed to

Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators'	1
Bills passed in the Senate	6
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	0
Reports tabled	6
Orders for production of documents agreed to	9
Notices of motion given	14
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