



Senate Daily Summary

No. 8/2024

Monday, 18 March 2024



The Senate met from 10 am to 8.25 pm

Bills

Introduced

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Tax Accountability and Fairness\) Bill 2023](#)


Considered

- [Australian Research Council Amendment \(Review Response\) Bill 2023](#)
 - ▶ Watch the debate [\[part one\]](#) [\[part two\]](#)  Read the transcript [\[part one\]](#) [\[part two\]](#)
- [National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse Amendment Bill 2023](#)
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Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendments

- [Paid Parental Leave Amendment \(More Support for Working Families\) Bill 2023](#)
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This bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Committees

Reports tabled

- [Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment \(Vaccine Indemnity\) Bill 2023](#)
Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
- [Telecommunications Legislation Amendment \(Enhancing Consumer Safeguards and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#) Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Reporting dates extended

- [Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Additional estimates 2023-24](#) extended to 28 March 2024
- [Consulting services](#) extended to 31 May 2024

Membership

- [Variations were agreed to](#)

[See also committee membership page](#)

Documents

Tabled documents

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

Other

- Senator Waters tabled a [petitioning document relating to the development of Toondah Harbour's wetlands](#)
- [Response](#) to a [question asked by Senator Thorpe](#) during question time on 28 February 2024

Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to The Future Fit Program agreed to on [27 February 2024](#)
- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to National Environmental Standard for First Nations engagement and participation agreed to on [28 February 2024](#)

Agreed to

- [Documents relating to the final report of the Afghanistan Inquiry Implementation Oversight Panel](#) to be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, by no later than 2 pm on Tuesday, 19 March 2024 [See also: order [agreed to 28 February 2024](#)]

Order to comply

- The Senate [ordered](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Education to comply by 18 March 2024 with the orders agreed to on [7 November 2023](#) and [27 February 2024](#), to table documents relating to the Higher Education Loan Program and Australian Taxation Office payments system

Explanation by minister

- Pursuant to the order agreed to on [14 September 2023](#), the Minister representing the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme attended the Senate to provide an explanation regarding orders for the production of documents relating to the NDIS Sustainability Framework (agreed to on 11 May, 19 June, and 6 September 2023), and the Senate debated the explanation
▶ [Watch the debate](#) 📄 [Read the transcript](#)

Delegation report

- Australian parliamentary delegation to the [66th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference](#)

Other business

Scheduling

- The Senate [varied the routine of business](#) for Tuesday, 19 March 2024 to provide for a condolence motion for Senator Linda White

Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	1
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators'	0
Bills passed in the Senate	1
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	0
Reports tabled	2
Orders for production of documents agreed to	1
Notices of motion given	9
Divisions	18

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