



# Senate Daily Summary

No. 14/2024

**Wednesday, 27 March 2024**

The Senate met from 9 am to 6.01 pm

## Bills

### Introduced

- [Agriculture \(Biosecurity Protection\) Levies Bill 2024](#)  
[Agriculture \(Biosecurity Protection\) Charges Bill 2024](#)  
[Agriculture \(Biosecurity Protection\) Levies and Charges Collection Bill 2024](#)
- [Migration Amendment \(Removal and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#)
- [Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Legislation Amendment \(Safety and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#)

### Considered

- [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Divestiture Powers\) Bill 2024](#) [private senator's bill]  
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Debate on this bill will continue at a later date

### Passed

#### Without amendments

- [Defence Amendment \(Safeguarding Australia's Military Secrets\) Bill 2024](#)  
[Defence Trade Controls Amendment Bill 2024](#)
- [Autonomous Sanctions Amendment Bill 2024](#)
- [Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2024](#)  
[Treasury Laws Amendment \(Foreign Investment\) Bill 2024](#)
- [Customs Tariff Amendment \(Incorporation of Proposals\) Bill \(No. 2\) 2023](#)
- [Appropriation Bill \(No. 3\) 2023-2024](#)  
[Appropriation Bill \(No. 4\) 2023-2024](#)  
[Appropriation \(Parliamentary Departments\) Bill \(No. 2\) 2023-2024](#)

These bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

- [Financial Framework \(Supplementary Powers\) Amendment Bill 2024](#)
- [Digital ID \(Transitional and Consequential Provisions\) Bill 2023](#)

The House of Representatives will now consider the bills

## With amendments

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Making Multinationals Pay Their Fair Share—Integrity and Transparency\) Bill 2023](#)
- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Support for Small Business and Charities and Other Measures\) Bill 2023](#)

The House of Representatives will now consider the Senate's amendments

- [Digital ID Bill 2023](#)

The House of Representatives will now consider the bill

## Messages

The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate's amendments to the [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Fair Go for Consumers and Small Business\) Bill 2024](#). This bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent.

## Committees

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### New inquiries

- [Migration Amendment \(Removal and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 7 May 2024
- [Support to Ukraine by the Australian Government](#) referred to the [Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 4 August 2024
- Referred to the [Public Works Joint Committee](#) for inquiry and report:
  - [Department of Defence – Albury Wodonga military area redevelopment project](#)
  - [Department of Defence – RAAF Base Wagga redevelopment project](#)
  - [Department of Veterans' Affairs – Proposed fit-out of new leased premises at 18 Marcus Clarke Street, Canberra](#)
- The Senate adopted [report no. 4 of 2024](#) of the [Selection of Bills Committee](#) and made the following references:
  - [Customs Amendment \(Preventing Child Labour\) Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 1 July 2024
  - [National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment \(Getting the NDIS Back on Track No. 1\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Community Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 20 June 2024
  - [Net Zero Economy Authority Bill 2024](#) and the [Net Zero Economy Authority \(Transitional Provisions\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 10 May 2024
  - [Therapeutic Goods and Other Legislation Amendment \(Vaping Reforms\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Community Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 8 May 2024
  - [Competition and Consumer Amendment \(Divestiture Powers\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Supermarket Prices Select Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 7 May 2024
  - [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Delivering Better Financial Outcomes and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Economics Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 20 June 2024
  - [Treasury Laws Amendment \(Financial Market Infrastructure and Other Measures\) Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Economics Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 30 April 2024

## Reports tabled



- [2nd report of 2024—Department of Defence — RAAF Base Darwin—Mid-term Refresh and other works](#) Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
- [Consulting services —Interim report](#) Finance and Public Administration References Committee
- [Scrutiny digest 5 of 2024](#) Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills
- [Report No. 4 of 2024](#) Selection of Bills Committee [see also above at *new inquiries*]

## Reporting date extended

- [Perth Mint and Commonwealth regulatory compliance](#) extended to 21 June 2024

## Documents ordered to be produced

### Explanation by minister

- Pursuant to order agreed to on [26 March 2024](#), the Minister representing the Attorney-General attended the Senate to provide an explanation regarding orders for documents relating to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps to be provided to the Intelligence and Security Joint Committee agreed to on [27 February 2024](#) and [21 March 2024](#), and the Senate debated the explanation  
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## Membership

- [Variations were agreed to](#)

[See also committee membership page](#)

# Documents

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## 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]

## Orders for the production of documents

### Order to comply

- The Senate [ordered](#) the Minister representing the Attorney-General to comply by no later than midday on Thursday, 28 March 2024 with an order agreed to on [26 March 2024](#) to table documents relating to the independent review of the National Legal Assistance Partnership

### Explanation by minister

- Pursuant to order agreed to on [29 February 2024](#), the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Water attended the Senate to provide an explanation regarding orders for the production of documents relating to the Murray-Darling Basin agreed to on 7 February 2024 (order [no. 455](#), [no. 456](#) and [no. 457](#)), and the Senate debated the explanation  
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# Other business

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## Scheduling

- The Senate [varied its hours of meeting and routine of business](#) for 14 and 16 May 2024

## Statistics

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Bills received from the House of Representatives	5
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators’	0
Bills passed in the Senate	14
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	9
New inquiries	10
Reports tabled	4
Orders for production of documents agreed to	0
Notices of motion given	2
Divisions	34

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