

Senate Daily Summary

No. 24/2019

Thursday, 17 October 2019

The Senate met from 9.30am to 6.37pm

Bills

Introduced

- National Integrity (Parliamentary Standards) Bill 2019 [private senator's bill]
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Measures No. 2) Bill 2019
- Medical and Midwife Indemnity Legislation Amendment Bill 2019
- National Health Amendment (Safety Net Thresholds) Bill 2019
- Protection of the Sea (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Amendment (Air Pollution) Bill 2019
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2018 Measures No. 2) Bill 2019
- <u>Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures)</u>
 Bill 2019
- New Skilled Regional Visas (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2019
- Social Services Legislation Amendment (Drug Testing Trial) Bill 2019

Considered

National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Streamlined Governance) Bill 2019
 Watch the debate

Read the transcript

Debate on this bill will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendment

- Emergency Response Fund (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2019
- Paid Parental Leave Amendment (Work Test) Bill 2019
- Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Measures No. 2) Bill 2019

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

With requests for amendments

- Emergency Response Fund Bill 2019
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The House of Representatives has made the amendments requested by the Senate. The bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Messages

- The House of Representatives agreed to the following bills without amendment:
 - ANL Legislation Repeal Bill 2019
 - National Rental Affordability Scheme Amendment Bill 2019
- The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate's amendments to the <u>National Housing Finance and</u> Investment Corporation Amendment Bill 2019

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Committees

New inquiries

- <u>Possible cancer cluster on the Bellarine Peninsula</u> referred to the <u>Community Affairs References</u>
 Committee
- Australia's dairy industry referred to the <u>Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References</u>
 <u>Committee</u> for inquiry and report by the third sitting day in March 2020
- The Senate adopted <u>report no. 7 of 2019</u> of the <u>Selection of Bills Committee</u> and made the following references:
 - Education Legislation Amendment (Tuition Protection and Other Measures) Bill 2019, VET Student
 Loans (VSL Tuition Protection Levy) Bill 2019, and Higher Education Support (HELP Tuition
 Protection Levy) Bill 2019 referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 22 November 2019
 - Farm Household Support Amendment (Relief Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2019 referred to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 November 2019
 - Native Title Legislation Amendment Bill 2019 referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs
 Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 28 February 2020

Reports tabled

- <u>2nd report of 2019</u>—Closing the Gap statement and Indigenous Australian languages, <u>Procedure</u>
 <u>Committee</u>
- Delegated legislation monitor 7 of 2019 Regulations and Ordinances Committee
- Scrutiny digest 7 of 2019 Scrutiny of Bills Committee
- <u>Advisory report</u>—Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Bill 2019 <u>Intelligence and Security Joint Committee</u>
- 4th and 5th reports of 2019 Public Works Joint Committee
- Human Services Amendment (Photographic Identification and Fraud Prevention) Bill 2019 Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Government response

Response to <u>Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment (Assistance and Access</u>
 <u>Amendments Review) Bill 2019</u> Parliamentary Joint Committee on Intelligence and Security

Membership

• Members were appointed to a joint committee

See committee membership page

Documents

Tabled documents

• <u>Clerk's documents</u> [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

Order for the production of documents

Tabled

 Response to an order for the production of a report on refugees and humanitarian entrants agreed to on 15 October 2019

Ministerial statement

• Third annual statement on veterans and their families (on behalf of the Minister for Veterans and Defence Personnel)

Petition

 Senator Fierravanti-Wells presented a <u>petition</u> regarding a Religious Freedom Act with protections for religious believers

Other business

Motions

Agreed to

- Brain cancer moved by Senator Bilyk
- Youth policy moved by Senator Steele-John
- <u>Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park</u> moved by Senator McCarthy
- Western Australia's gold mining moved by Senators Dean Smith, Scarr and Brockman
- <u>Australian's encryption legislation</u> moved by Senator Keneally
- Rural hardship moved by Senator Hanson
- National Alcohol Strategy moved by Senator Griff
- Poverty rate of older women moved by Senator Waters and Marielle Smith
- Newstart and Youth Allowance moved by Senator Siewert

Negatived

- <u>Live export legislation</u> moved by Senator Faruqi
- <u>Thermal coal mines</u> moved by Senator Whish-Wilson

Disallowance motions

Negatived

- Civil Aviation (Community Service Flights Conditions on Flight Crew Licences) Instrument 2019
 [F2019L00134] moved by Senator Patrick

Withdrawn

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Fierravanti-Wells) withdrew the following notices:

- Agriculture and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Timeshift Applications and Other Measures) Regulations 2019 [F2019L00357]
- Customs (Prohibited Imports) Amendment (Collecting Tobacco Duties) Regulations 2019 [F2019L00352]
- Health Insurance (Diagnostic Imaging Services Table) Regulations 2019 [F2019L00563]
- Migration Amendment (New Skilled Regional Visas) Regulations 2019 [F2019L00578]

Scheduling

The Senate will meet at 12.30pm on Monday, 11 November 2019 2019 (rather than the usual start time of 10.00 am) to enable senators to attend Remembrance Day services.

Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	8
Bill introduced in the Senate – government	0
Bill introduced in the Senate – private senator's	1
Bills passed in the Senate	4
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	5
New inquiries	5
Reports tabled	7
Notices of motion given	5
Divisions	9

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