



Senate Daily Summary

No. 26/2020

Wednesday, 22 July 2020

The Senate met from 9.30am to 7.50pm

Senators

- The President tabled [Senator Di Natale's resignation](#) and [letter to the Governor of Victoria](#)

Bills

Introduced

- [Family Law Amendment \(Risk Screening Protections\) Bill 2020](#)
- [Sport Integrity Australia Amendment \(World Anti-Doping Code Review\) Bill 2020](#)

Considered

- [Family Assistance Legislation Amendment \(Improving Assistance for Vulnerable and Disadvantaged Families\) Bill 2020](#)
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Debate on this bill will continue on 27 August 2020

Passed

Without amendment

- [Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Amendment \(Prohibiting Academic Cheating Services\) Bill 2019](#)
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This bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Committees

Reports tabled

- [Annual reports \(No. 2 of 2020\)](#) Education and Employment Legislation Committee
- [Annual report 2019](#) Human Rights Joint Committee
- [Human rights scrutiny report 10 of 2020](#) Human Rights Joint Committee
- [Scrutiny digest 10 of 2020](#) Scrutiny of Bills Committee

Membership

[See committee membership page](#)

Documents

Tabled documents

- [Government documents and documents presented by the President](#)

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

Tabled

- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to COVID-19 cases in aged care agreed to on [25 August 2020](#)

Attendance by minister

- The [Senate ordered](#) the Minister representing the Minister for Resources, Water and Northern Australia to attend the Senate at 12.20 pm on 31 August 2020 to provide an explanation regarding an order for the production of documents relating to the Murray-Darling Basin agreed to on [16 November 2017](#)

Other business

Motions

Agreed to

- [Aboriginal flag](#) moved by Senators McCarthy and Dodson
- [Murray-Darling Basin](#) moved by Senators Davey and McKenzie
- [Paid pandemic leave](#) moved by Senator Chisholm, Sheldon and O'Neill
- [Domestic violence](#) moved by Senator Waters

Negatived

- [Superannuation](#) moved by Senator Polley
- [Final report of the independent review of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*](#) moved by Senator Hanson-Young
- [Offshore detention](#) moved by Senators McKim and Griff
- [Social security payments](#) moved by Senator Marielle Smith
- [Victoria's Regional Forest Agreement](#) moved by Senator Rice

Disallowance motions

Debated

- Industry Research and Development (Bankable Feasibility Study on High-Efficiency Low-Emissions Coal Plant in Collinsville Program) Instrument 2020 [[F2020L00772](#)] moved by Senators McAllister and

Waters

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Debate on this motion will continue on 27 August 2020

Notice of motion to disallow

- Corporations Amendment (Litigation Funding) Regulations 2020 [[F2020L00942](#)] notice given by Senator O'Neill

Statements

- The President made a statement regarding advice from the Office of the Chief Medical Officer concerning COVID-19 and the wearing of masks in Parliament House
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Attendance of minister

- The Senate [ordered](#) that the Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians attend the Senate on 27 August 2020 to provide an explanation regarding the Commonwealth's support to, and regulation of, aged care providers during the COVID-19 pandemic

Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	0
Bill introduced in the Senate – government	2
Bill introduced in the Senate – private senator's	0
Bills passed in the Senate	1
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	0
New inquiries	0
Reports tabled	4
Orders for production of documents agreed to	0
Notices of motion given	12
Divisions	8

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