Senate Daily Summary

No. 20/2021

Wednesday, 28 September 2022

The Senate met from 9.30 am to 7.57 pm

Bills

Introduced

- Biosecurity Amendment (Strengthening Biosecurity) Bill 2022
- Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2022
- <u>Counter-Terrorism Legislation Amendment (AFP Powers and Other Matters) Bill 2022</u>
- <u>Environment and Other Legislation Amendment (Removing Nuclear Energy Prohibitions) Bill 2022</u> [private senators' bill]

Considered

- <u>Restoring Territory Rights Bill 2022</u> [private members' bill]
 <u>Watch the debate</u>
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- Fair Work Amendment (Paid Family and Domestic Violence Leave) Bill 2022

Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendments

- <u>Military Rehabilitation and Compensation and Other Legislation Amendment (Incapacity Payments)</u>
 <u>Bill 2022</u>
- Defence, Veterans' and Families' Acute Support Package Bill 2022

 <u>Watch the debate</u>
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These bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

With amendments

<u>Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Lifting the Income Limit for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card) Bill 2022</u>
 Watch the debate [part one] [part two]
 Read the transcript [part one] [part two]

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

Messages

• The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate's amendments to the <u>Social Security</u> (Administration) Amendment (Repeal of Cashless Debit Card and Other Measures) Bill 2022. The bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Committees

New inquiries

- The Senate adopted <u>report no.5 of 2022</u> of the <u>Selection of Bills Committee</u> and made the following references:
 - <u>Anti-Discrimination and Human Rights Legislation Amendment (Respect at Work) Bill 2022</u> referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 3 November 2022
 - Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Cheaper Child Care) Bill 2022 referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 November 2022
 - <u>Financial Accountability Regime Bill 2022</u>, <u>Financial Sector Reform Bill 2022</u>, <u>Financial Services Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy Bill 2022</u> and <u>Financial Services</u> <u>Compensation Scheme of Last Resort Levy (Collection) Bill 2022</u> referred to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 October 2022
 - <u>National Energy Transition Authority Bill 2022</u> referred to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 14 March 2023
 - <u>Parliamentary Privileges Amendment (Royal Commission Response) Bill 2022</u> referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 November 2022
 - <u>Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Incentivising Pensioners to Downsize)</u> <u>Bill 2022</u> referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 October 2022
 - <u>Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Workforce Incentive) Bill 2022</u> referred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 10 November 2022
 - Treasury Laws Amendment (2022 Measures No. 3) Bill 2022, Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Fees Imposition Amendment Bill 2022 and Income Tax Amendment (Labour Mobility Program) Bill 2022 referred to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 November 2022
- <u>Barriers to achieving priorities under the National Women's Health Strategy</u> referred to the Community Affairs References Committee for inquiry and report by 31 March 2023
- <u>Community safety, support services and job opportunities in the Northern Territory</u> referred to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Joint Committee for inquiry and report by 1 December 2022
- Cost of Living Select Committee to inquire and report by 30 November 2023

Reports tabled

- Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights
 - o Annual report for 2021
 - o <u>Human rights scrutiny report 4 of 2022</u>

- Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation
 - o Annual report for 2021
 - o <u>Delegated legislation monitor 6 of 2022</u>
 - <u>Watch the debate</u> <u>Read the transcript</u>
- Scrutiny digest 5 of 2022 Standing Committee for the Scrutiny of Bills

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Estimates

• The Senate agreed to a motion moved by Senator McKim regarding the attendance of the Governor of the Reserve Bank of Australia at Budget estimates hearings

Joint Committee

• The Senate agreed to a resolution of the House of Representatives to establish a <u>National Anti-</u> <u>Corruption Commission Legislation Joint Committee</u>

Membership

Variations were agreed to

See also committee membership page

Documents

Tabled documents

- Government documents and documents presented by the President
- <u>Clerk's documents</u> [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

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

Other

• <u>Final Budget Outcome for 2021-22</u> – statement by the Treasurer and the Minister for Finance

Order for the production of documents

Tabled

<u>Response</u> to an <u>order for the production of documents relating to TikTok</u> agreed to on 27 September 2022

Other business

Motions

Agreed to

- <u>Acknowledgement of country and prayer</u> moved by Senator Gallagher
- <u>Bali bombings 20th anniversary</u> moved by Senators Wong and Birmingham
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Disallowance motions

Notice of intention to withdraw

- The Chair of the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee (Senator White) gave notice of her intention to withdraw the following notices on the next day of sitting:
 - Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Home Affairs Measures No. 4) Regulations 2021 [F2021L01824]
 - Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Prime Minister and Cabinet's Portfolio Measures No. 2) Regulations 2022 [F2022L00240]
 - Telecommunications (Fibre-Ready Facilities in Real Estate Development Projects and Other Matters) Instrument 2022 [F2022L00328]

Negatived

 Social Security (Qualification for Crisis Payment – National Health Emergency) Amendment Determination 2022 [F2022L00889] and the Social Security (Qualification for Crisis Payment – National Health Emergency) Amendment Determination (No. 2) 2022 [F2022L00993] moved by Senator Rice

Statement

The President made a statement regarding points of order
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Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	1	
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	2	
Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators'	1	
Bills passed in the Senate	3	
Bills negatived or discharged	0	
Bills referred to committees	13	
New inquiries	11	
Reports tabled	5	
Orders for production of documents agreed to	0	
Notices of motion given	6	
Divisions	7	

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