Senate Daily Summary

No. 36/2023

Thursday, 10 August 2023

The Senate met from 9.00 am to 5.50 pm

Bills

Introduced

- Legalising Cannabis Bill 2023 [private senator's bill]
- <u>Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Industry Self-Classification</u> and Other Measures) Bill 2023

Considered

- Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Vaccine Indemnity) Bill 2023
 [private senator's bill]
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- Export Control Amendment (Streamlining Administrative Processes) Bill 2022
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Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendments

- Health Insurance Amendment (Prescribed Dental Patients and Other Measures) Bill 2023
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- <u>Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority Amendment (Disclosure of Information) Bill 2023</u>
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These bills will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

<u>Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Amendment (Administrative Changes) Bill 2023</u>
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The House of Representatives will now consider the bill

With amendments

- <u>Aboriginal Land Grant (Jervis Bay Territory) Amendment (Strengthening Land and Governance</u> <u>Provisions) Bill 2022</u>
 - ♥ Watch the debate [part one] [part two] Read the transcript [part one] [part two]

The House of Representatives agreed to the Senate's amendments. The bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Committees

New inquiries

- The Senate adopted <u>report no. 9 of 2023</u> of the <u>Selection of Bills Committee</u> and made the following references:
 - <u>Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2023</u> referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 31 August 2023
 - Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Vaccine Indemnity) Bill 2023 referred to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 18 March 2024
 - <u>Copyright Legislation Amendment (Fair Pay for Radio Play) Bill 2023</u> referred to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 June 2024
 - Higher Education Support Amendment (Response to the Australian Universities Accord Interim Report) Bill 2023 referred to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 13 September 2023
 - Housing Australia Future Fund Bill 2023 [No. 2], National Housing Supply and Affordability Council Bill 2023 [No. 2], and the <u>Treasury Laws Amendment (Housing Measures No. 1) Bill</u> 2023 [No. 2] referred to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 24 October 2023

Reports tabled

- <u>School refusal</u> Education and Employment References Committee
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- Iron Boomerang project Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
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Membership

- Variations were agreed to
- <u>A member was appointed to a joint committee</u>

See also committee membership page

Documents

Tabled documents

• <u>Clerk's documents</u> [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

Order for the production of documents

Tabled

• <u>Response</u> to an order for the production of the final report of a review into the conduct of the ASIC Chair agreed to on <u>1 August 2023</u>

Ministerial statement

Proposed national radioactive waste facility tabled on behalf of the Minister for Resources and Northern Australia

Other business

Motions

Debated

Unsolved homicides and missing persons cases moved by Senator Thorpe • • Watch the debate Read the transcript

Disallowance motion

Negatived

 A motion to disallow Schedule 2 to the National Health Legislation Amendment (Opioid Dependence Treatment and Maximum Dispensed Quantities) Instrument 2023 [F2023L00843] was transferred to the name of Senator Pratt, moved, and defeated. Senator Ruston made a statement in relation to the motion.

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Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	1
Bills introduced in the Senate – government	0
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Bills passed in the Senate	4
Bills negatived or discharged	0
Bills referred to committees	7
New inquiries	5
Reports tabled	2
Orders for production of documents agreed to	0
Notices of motion given	1
Divisions	19

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