



Senate Daily Summary

No. 20/2023

Thursday, 11 May 2023

The Senate met from 9 am to 8.35 pm

Budget

- Senators made statements in reply to the 2023-24 budget
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Bills

Introduced

- [Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Amendment \(Miscellaneous Measures\) Bill 2023](#)
- [Acts Interpretation Amendment \(Aboriginality\) Bill 2023 \[private senator's bill\]](#)

Considered

- [Housing Australia Future Fund Bill 2023](#)
[National Housing Supply and Affordability Council Bill 2023](#)
[Treasury Laws Amendment \(Housing Measures No. 1\) Bill 2023](#)
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Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Defeated

- The [Acts Interpretation Amendment \(Aboriginality\) Bill 2023](#) was defeated at the first reading

Committees

New inquiries

- The Senate agreed to refer [certain time critical bills](#) introduced in the House of Representatives during budget estimates hearings to legislation committees for inquiry and report by 13 June 2023
- The Senate adopted [report no. 05 of 2023](#) of the [Selection of Bills Committee](#) and made the following references:
 - [Customs Legislation Amendment \(Commercial Greyhound Export and Import Prohibition\) Bill 2021](#) referred to the [Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 1 September 2023
 - [Defence Capability Assurance and Oversight Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 7 September 2023

- [Defence Legislation Amendment \(Naval Nuclear Propulsion\) Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 9 June 2023
- [Family Law Amendment Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 24 August 2023
- [Family Law Amendment \(Information Sharing\) Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 14 June 2023
- Contingent upon introduction in the Senate, the Murdoch Media Inquiry Bill 2023 to be referred to the [Environment and Communications Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 16 October 2023

Reports tabled

- [66th report – Estimates for the Department of the Senate](#) Appropriations, Staffing and Security Committee
- [Review of the Counter-Terrorism \(Temporary Exclusion Orders\) Act 2019](#) Intelligence and Security Joint Committee

Membership

- [Variations were agreed to](#)

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Documents

Tabled documents

- [Clerk's documents](#) [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

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Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

- [Response](#) to an [order for the production of documents relating to the South East Trawl Fishery structural adjustment package](#) agreed to on 29 March 2023

Agreed to

- [The National Disability Insurance Scheme Financial Sustainability Framework](#) be tabled by the Minister representing the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme, by no later than 4.30 pm on 11 May 2023

Other business

Motions

Agreed to

- [Approval of works within the Parliamentary Zone – John Gorton campus carpark](#) moved by Senator Chisholm
- [Budget 2023-24](#) moved by Senator Bragg
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Explanations

- Pursuant to the [order agreed to on 10 May 2023](#) the Leader of the Government in the Senate attended the Senate to provide an explanation regarding unanswered estimates questions on notice, and the Senate debated the explanation
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- Pursuant to the [order agreed to on 10 May 2023](#) the Minister representing the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme attended the Senate to provide an explanation regarding unanswered questions on notice, and the Senate debated the explanation
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Condolence

- Ronald Charles Elstob, former senator
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Statistics

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

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