



Senate Daily Summary

No. 40/2023

Thursday, 7 September 2023

The Senate met from 9.00 am to 5.30 pm

Bills

Considered

- [Ending Poverty in Australia \(Antipoverty Commission\) Bill 2023](#) [private senator's bill]
 - ▶ [Watch the debate](#) 📄 [Read the transcript](#)
- [Infrastructure Australia Amendment \(Independent Review\) Bill 2023](#)
 - ▶ Watch the debate [[part 1](#)] [[part 2](#)] 📄 Read the transcript [[part 1](#)] [[part 2](#)]

Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendments

- [Treasury Laws Amendment \(2023 Law Improvement Package No. 1\) Bill 2023](#)
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This bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

Committees

New inquiries

- The Senate adopted [report no. 10 of 2023](#) of the [Selection of Bills Committee](#) and made the following references:
 - [Electoral Legislation Amendment \(Fairer Contracts and Grants\) Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 4 March 2024
 - [Fair Work Legislation Amendment \(Closing Loopholes\) Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Education and Employment Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 1 February 2024
 - [Statutory Declarations Amendment Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 18 October 2023
 - [Water Amendment \(Restoring Our Rivers\) Bill 2023](#) referred to the [Environment and Communications Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 8 November 2023

Reports tabled

- [Human rights scrutiny report 9 of 2023](#) Human Rights Joint Committee
- [211th report—Protocol Amending the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies](#) Treaties Joint Committee

Reporting dates extended

- [Defence Capability Assurance and Oversight Bill 2023](#) extended to 19 October 2023
- [Sexual consent laws](#) extended to 14 September 2023

Variation of appointment

- The Senate [varied the appointment](#) of the Commonwealth Bilateral Air Service Agreements Select Committee
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Membership

- Variations were agreed to [see Journals entries [no. 19](#) and [no. 23](#)]

[See also committee membership page](#)

Documents

Tabled documents

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

Other

- [Response](#) to a [question asked by Senator Hanson](#) during question time on 6 September 2023

Other business

Motions

Debated

- [Albanese Government](#) moved by Senator McKenzie
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Statement

- A statement was made regarding the first anniversary of the death of her late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II
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 - 📄 [Read the transcript](#)

Statistics

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| Bills received from the House of Representatives | 0 |
| Bills introduced in the Senate – government | 0 |
| Bills introduced in the Senate – private senators' | 0 |
| Bills passed in the Senate | 1 |
| Bills negatived or discharged | 0 |
| Bills referred to committees | 4 |
| New inquiries | 4 |
| Reports tabled | 2 |
| Orders for production of documents agreed to | 0 |
| Notices of motion given | 6 |
| Divisions | 11 |

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