

Senate Daily Summary

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Wednesday, 28 February 2024

The Senate met from 9 am to 7.39 pm

Bills

Introduced

- Fair Work Amendment Bill 2024
- Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Military Invalidity Payments Means Testing)
 Bill 2024
- Legislate the Date to End Live Sheep Export Bill 2024 [private senator's bill]

Considered

- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Climate Trigger) Bill 2022
 [No. 2] [private senator's bill]
 - Watch the debate
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- Paid Parental Leave Amendment (More Support for Working Families) Bill 2023
 - Watch the debate [part one] [part two]
 Read the transcript [part one] [part two]

Debate on these bills will continue at a later date

Committees

New inquiry

• <u>Waste reduction and recycling policies</u> referred to the <u>Environment and Communications</u> References Committee for inquiry and report by 22 November 2024

Reports tabled

- <u>Scrutiny digest 3 of 2024</u> Scrutiny of Bills Committee
- <u>Delegated legislation monitor 2 of 2024</u> Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee
- <u>Examination of the Australian Federal Police Annual Report 2022-23</u> Law Enforcement Joint Committee
- Examination of the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission Annual Report 2022-23 Law Enforcement Joint Committee
- Modern Slavery Amendment (Australian Anti-Slavery Commissioner) Bill 2023 Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
- <u>Digital ID Bill 2023 and a related bill</u> Economics Legislation Committee
- Extent and nature of poverty in Australia Community Affairs References Committee

Reporting dates extended

- Treasury Laws Amendment (Better Targeted Superannuation Concessions and Other Measures)
 Bill 2023 and a related bill extended to 10 May 2024
- Treasury Laws Amendment (Reserve Bank Reforms) Bill 2023 extended to 22 March 2024
- National cultural policy extended to 20 June 2024
- Optus network outage extended to 9 May 2024

Membership

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]

Other

• Senator Rice <u>tabled a petitioning document</u> regarding Gaza

Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

 Response to an order for the production of documents relating to the Aged Care Taskforce agreed to on <u>27 February 2024</u>

Agreed to

- <u>Final report of the Afghanistan Inquiry Implementation Oversight Panel</u> to be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Defence, by no later than 10 am on 29 February 2024
- <u>Latest iteration of Services Australia's Enterprise Risk Watchlist</u> to be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Government Services, by no later than 3 pm on Thursday, 29 February 2024
- <u>Documents</u> relating to Services Australia application processing data to be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for Government Services, by no later than 3 pm on Thursday, 29 February 2024
- <u>Documents</u> relating to the National Environmental Standard for First Nations engagement and participation to be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Water, by no later than 14 March 2024

Closing the Gap

- The <u>annual report on Closing the Gap, accompanying ministerial statement, and related</u> <u>documents, tabled on 26 February 2024, were debated</u>
 - Watch the debate
 Read the transcript

Other business

Disallowance motions

Notice of intention to withdraw

 The Deputy Chair of the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee (Senator Reynolds) gave notice of her intention, on the next day of sitting, to withdraw a notice to disallow the Financial Framework (Supplementary Powers) Amendment (Attorney-General's Portfolio Measures No. 1) Regulations 2023 [F2023L01417]

Negatived

- A motion moved by Senator Rice to disallow the following was defeated:
 - Social Security (Administration) (Declared Child Protection State New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia and Victoria) Determination 2023 [F2023L01274]
 - Social Security (Administration) (Recognised State or Territory Northern Territory)
 Determination 2023 [F2023L01273]
 - Social Security (Administration) (Specified Income Management Territory Northern Territory)
 Instrument 2023 [F2023L01269]

Statements

- The President made a statement regarding the conduct of senators during debate

Statistics

Bills received from the House of Representatives	2
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	0
New inquiries	1
Reports tabled	7
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