



Senate Daily Summary

No. 11/2023

Thursday, 21 March 2024

The Senate met from 9 am to 5.37 pm

Bills

Introduced

- [Defence Amendment \(Safeguarding Australia's Military Secrets\) Bill 2024](#)
[Defence Trade Controls Amendment Bill 2024](#)
- [Agriculture Legislation Amendment \(Modernising Administrative Processes\) Bill 2024](#)
- [Broadcasting Services Amendment \(Community Television\) Bill 2024](#)
- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(Child Support and Family Assistance Technical Amendments\) Bill 2024](#)

Considered

- [Customs Tariff Amendment \(Incorporation of Proposals\) Bill \(No. 2\) 2023](#)
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Debate on this bill will continue at a later date

Passed

Without amendments

- [Social Services Legislation Amendment \(Child Support and Family Assistance Technical Amendments\) Bill 2024](#)
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This bill will now be sent to the Governor-General for assent

With amendments

- [Australian Research Council Amendment \(Review Response\) Bill 2023](#)
- [National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Amendment \(Strengthening Quality and Integrity in Vocational Education and Training No. 1\) Bill 2024](#)
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The House of Representatives will now consider the Senate's amendments

Defeated

- The [Plebiscite \(Future Migration Level\) Bill 2018](#) [private senator's bill] was defeated at the second reading
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Committees

New inquiry

- The Senate adopted [report no. 3 of 2024](#) of the [Selection of Bills Committee](#) and made the following references:
 - [Agriculture \(Biosecurity Protection\) Levies Bill 2024](#), [Agriculture \(Biosecurity Protection\) Charges Bill 2024](#) and [Agriculture \(Biosecurity Protection\) Levies and Charges Collection Bill 2024](#) referred to the [Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee](#) for inquiry and report by 10 May 2024

Reports tabled

- [Human rights scrutiny report 2 of 2024](#) Human Rights Joint Committee
- Intelligence and Security Joint Committee – Advisory reports
 - [Amendments made by the Australian Citizenship Amendment \(Citizenship Repudiation\) Bill 2023 and citizenship cessation determinations](#)
 - [National Security Legislation Amendment \(Comprehensive Review and Other Measures No. 3\) Bill 2023](#)
- [214th report – Acts of the Universal Postal Union](#) Treaties Joint Committee
- [Report no. 3 of 2024](#) Selection of Bills Committee [see also above at new inquiries]

Documents to be produced

Order to comply

- [The Senate ordered the Minister representing the Attorney-General](#) to comply by no later than midday on Monday, 25 March 2024 with the order agreed to on [27 February 2024](#) for documents relating to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps to be provided to the Intelligence and Security Joint Committee

Documents

Tabled documents

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

Orders for the production of documents

Tabled

- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to the Barossa gas project agreed to on [6 December 2023](#)
- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to the final report of the Afghanistan Inquiry Implementation Oversight Panel agreed to on [18 March 2024](#)
- [Response](#) to an order for the production of documents relating to the National Housing and Homeless Plan agreed to on [29 February 2024](#)

Other business

Motions

Negatived

- [Great Barrier Reef](#) moved by Senator Whish-Wilson
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Disallowance motion

Withdrawn

- The Chair of the Scrutiny of Delegated Legislation Committee (Senator O'Neill) withdrew a notice to disallow the Migration Amendment (Biosecurity Contravention) Regulations 2023 [[F2023L01443](#)]

Statistics

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

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