

Chapter 16

Non-government business

Order of business on Mondays (p. 574)

Revised times for 44th Parliament (adopted 13/11/2013):

In the House

Petitions (from 10 a.m. for up to 10 minutes)

Committee and delegation business and private Members' business (to 12 noon);

In the Federation Chamber

Committee and delegation business and private Members' business (from 11 a.m. to approximately 1.30 p.m.)

Grievance debate (at 8 p.m. for one hour).

Referral of business listed for the Federation Chamber (p. 575)

The procedure for preliminary presentation by the Speaker in the House has been abandoned. New provisions adopted 13/11/2013 provide for the Selection Committee to select private Members' notices and other items of private Members' and committee and delegation business for referral to the Federation Chamber, or for return to the House [S.O.s 222(a)(ii), 183(c)]. Such a referral, once the determination has been reported to the House, is deemed to be a referral by the House [S.O. 222(f)].

Private Members' business (p. 577)

Footnote 27: There are no longer specific time limits for the Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition for private members' bills. [S.O.1]

Consideration in government time (p. 578)

Bottom paragraph: refer to current S.O. 1 for current 'normal' times.

Voting on private Members business (p. 579)

The express provision in S.O. 222 for the Selection Committee to recommend items of private members' business to be voted on has been removed (13/11/2013). The practice of providing time during government business on Thursdays for voting on private members' business has not continued in the current Parliament.

Private Members' bills (p. 580)

Revised procedures adopted 13/11/2013:

Upon the respective notice being called on by the Clerk, the Member in whose name the notice stands and presents the bill. The Member may also present an explanatory memorandum on the bill and leave is not required for this. The bill is then read a first time and the Member moves the motion for the second reading. He or she then speaks to the motion for up to 10 minutes before the debate is automatically adjourned and the resumption of debate set down on the Notice Paper for the next sitting. When the debate is resumed the mover may speak in continuation for five minutes. The occasion for the resumption of the debate on the bill's second reading, and the times to be allocated for debate, are matters for the Selection Committee.

Private Members' bills—*Impact* (p. 584)

Updated figures for non-government bills passed into law (June 2013):

Private Members	10
Private Senators	12
Speaker/President	<u>6</u>
Total	28

Additions to Table 16.1 (p. 585)

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS PASSED INTO LAW

<i>Bill</i>	<i>Initiator</i>
Auditor-General Amendment Act 2011 (Act No. 190 of 2011)	Mr Oakeshott
Low Aromatic Fuel 2013 (Act No. 1 of 2013)	Senator Siewert

Addition to Table 16.2 (p. 586)

BILLS SPONSORED BY THE SPEAKER AND PASSED BY HOUSE

<i>Bill</i>	<i>Initiator in House</i>
Parliamentary Service Amendment 2013 Passed into law (Act No. 4 of 2013)	Speaker Burke
Parliamentary Service Amendment 2014 Passed into law (Act No. 26 of 2015)	Speaker Bishop

Grievance debate (p. 587)

Grievance debate now commences on Monday at 8 p.m. (13/11/2013)

Members' 90 second statements (p. 588)

In the House a daily 30 minute period for 90 second statements is now scheduled at 1.30 p.m. prior to Question Time. In the Federation Chamber a 45 minute period is scheduled at 4 p.m. on Mondays. (13/2/2014)

Adjournment debate (p. 589)

30 minute adjournment debates now scheduled on Monday and Tuesday at 9 pm, Wednesday at 7.30 pm, Thursday at 4.30 pm (13/11/2013)

Matters of public importance—*speaking times* (p. 599)

One hour is provided for the whole discussion. The proposer and the Member next speaking are each allowed 10 minutes, and any other Members five minutes each. (13/11/2013)