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1 Meeting of Senate

The Senate met at midday. The President (Senator the Honourable Scott Ryan) took the chair, read prayers and made an acknowledgement of country.

2 Documents

The Clerk tabled the following documents pursuant to statute:

[Legislative instruments are identified by a Federal Register of Legislation (FRL) number. An explanatory statement is tabled with an instrument unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk.]

Australian Citizenship Act 2007, Customs Act 1901 and Migration Act 1958—Home Affairs Legislation Amendment (Credit Card and PayPal Surcharge) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00705].

Australian Education Act 2013—Australian Education Amendment (2020 Capital Funding Limit) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00695].

Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001, Competition and Consumer Act 2010 and Corporations Act 2001—Treasury Laws Amendment (Professional Standards Schemes) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00699].

Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011—Autonomous Sanctions Regulations 2011—Autonomous Sanctions (Designated Persons and Entities and Declared Persons – Ukraine) Continuous Effect Declaration 2020 (No 1) [F2020L00694].

Biosecurity Act 2015—Biosecurity (First Point of Entry—Broome International Airport) Determination 2020 [F2020L00708].

Child Support (Assessment) Act 1989 and Child Support (Registration and Collection) Act 1988—Child Support Legislation Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00696].

Civil Aviation Act 1988—

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Civil Aviation Order 20.18 Amendment Instrument 2020 (No. 1) [F2020L00693].

Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998—Repeal of Airworthiness Directive AD/DHC-2/30 Amdt 1—CASA ADCX 006/20 [F2020L00706].

Corporations Act 2001—ASIC Corporations (Amendment) Instrument 2020/565 [F2020L00697].

Fair Work Act 2009—Fair Work Amendment (Variation of Enterprise Agreements No. 2) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00702].

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975—Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendment (Coronavirus Economic Response Package) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00698].

Industrial Chemicals Act 2019—Industrial Chemicals (Fees and Charges) Rules 2020 [F2020L00704].

Plant Breeder's Rights Act 1994 and Trade Marks Act 1995—Intellectual Property Laws Amendment (Fee Exemptions) Regulations 2020 [F2020L00703].

Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986—

Statement of Principles concerning coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
(Balance of Probabilities)—No. 47 of 2020 [F2020L00710].

Statement of Principles concerning coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
(Reasonable Hypothesis)—No. 46 of 2020 [F2020L00709].

Water Act 2007—

Water Act (Goulburn-Murray Water Resource Plan) Accreditation Decision 2020
[F2020L00700].

Water Act (Northern Victoria Water Resource Plan) Accreditation Decision 2020
[F2020L00707].

Water Act (Victorian Murray Water Resource Plan) Accreditation Decision 2020
[F2020L00701].

The Clerk tabled the following document pursuant to the order of the Senate of
27 February 2020:

Australian Research Council—Grant recommendations—Letter of advice—May 2020.

3 **Committees—Leave to meet during sittings**

Committees were authorised to hold private meetings otherwise than in accordance with
standing order 33(1) during the sittings of the Senate as follows:

Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity—Joint Statutory Committee—
today, from 1 pm.

Migration—Joint Standing Committee—Wednesday, 17 June 2020, from 10 am.

4 **Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Measures No. 3) Bill 2019**

Order of the day read for the further consideration of message no. 218 from the House of
Representatives in committee of the whole (*see entry no. 34, 15 June 2020*).

In the committee

Consideration resumed of the message—and of the motion moved by the Assistant
Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters (Senator Seselja)—That the
committee does not insist on its amendments to which the House has disagreed.

Question put.

The committee divided—

AYES, 32

Senators—

Antic	Cormann	McGrath	Rennick
Askew	Davey	McKenzie	Reynolds
Birmingham	Duniam	McLachlan	Ruston
Bragg	Fierravanti-Wells	McMahon	Scarr
Brockman	Hanson	Molan	Seselja
Canavan	Henderson	O'Sullivan	Smith, Dean*
Cash	Hume	Paterson	Stoker
Colbeck	McDonald	Payne	Van

NOES, 34

Senators—

Ayres	Faruqi	McAllister	Sheldon
Bilyk	Gallacher	McCarthy*	Siewert
Brown	Gallagher	McKim	Sterle
Carr	Green	O'Neill	Urquhart
Chisholm	Hanson-Young	Patrick	Walsh
Ciccone	Keneally	Pratt	Waters
Di Natale	Kitching	Rice	Watt
Dodson	Lambie	Roberts	Whish-Wilson
Farrell	Lines		

** Tellers*

Question negatived.

Resolution to be reported.

The Chair of Committees (Senator Lines) reported that the committee had considered message no. 218 from the House of Representatives and resolved to insist on the amendments made by the Senate to which the House had disagreed.

On the motion of the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) the report from the committee was adopted.

5 **Treasury Laws Amendment (Your Superannuation, Your Choice) Bill 2019**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Families and Social Services (Senator Ruston)—That this bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

At 2 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Ayres was speaking.

6 **Questions**

Questions without notice were answered.

7 **Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2019**

A message from the House of Representatives was reported as follows:

Message no. 220, dated 16 June 2020—Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Crimes Against Children and Community Protection Measures) Bill 2019, agreeing to amendments nos 1 and 3 made by the Senate and disagreeing to amendment no. 2.

The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) moved—That the message be considered in committee of the whole immediately.

Debate ensued.

Closure: Senator Cormann moved—That the question be now put.

Question—That the question be now put—put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 41

Senators—

Abetz	Davey	Lines	Payne
Antic	Duniam	McCarthy	Rennick
Askew	Fawcett	McDonald	Roberts
Bilyk	Fierravanti-Wells	McGrath	Ruston
Birmingham	Gallacher	McKenzie	Scarr
Bragg	Hanson	McLachlan	Seselja
Canavan	Henderson	McMahon	Smith, Dean*
Cash	Hughes	Molan	Stoker
Chandler	Hume	O'Sullivan	Van
Colbeck	Keneally	Paterson	Watt
Cormann			

NOES, 8

Senators—

Di Natale	Hanson-Young	Rice	Waters
Faruqi	McKim	Siewert*	Whish-Wilson

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

Main question put and passed.

In the committee

SCHEDULE OF THE AMENDMENT MADE BY THE SENATE TO WHICH THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS DISAGREED

(2) Schedule 6, page 25 (line 1) to page 32 (line 16), omit the Schedule.

Senator Cormann moved—That the committee does not insist on its amendment to which the House has disagreed.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The committee divided—

AYES, 44

Senators—

Abetz	Duniam	McDonald	Reynolds
Antic	Fawcett	McGrath	Roberts
Askew	Fierravanti-Wells	McKenzie	Ruston
Bilyk	Gallacher	McLachlan	Ryan
Bragg	Hanson	McMahon	Scarr
Canavan	Henderson	Molan	Seselja
Cash	Hughes	O'Sullivan	Smith, Dean*
Chandler	Hume	Paterson	Stoker
Colbeck	Keneally	Patrick	Van
Cormann	Lines	Payne	Watt
Davey	McCarthy	Rennick	Wong

NOES, 8

Senators—

Di Natale	Hanson-Young	Rice	Waters
Faruqi	McKim	Siewert*	Whish-Wilson

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

The Chair of Committees (Senator Lines) reported that the committee had considered message no. 220 from the House of Representatives and resolved not to insist on the amendment made by the Senate to which the House had disagreed.

On the motion of the Senator Cormann the report from the committee was adopted.

8 Motions to take note of answers

Senator Brown moved—That the Senate take note of the answers given by the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) and the Minister for Families and Social Services (Senator Ruston) to questions without notice asked by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Wong) and Senator Gallagher today relating to the JobKeeper scheme.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Senator Hanson-Young moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) to a question without notice asked by Senator Hanson-Young today relating to environmental protections.

Question put and passed.

9 Notices

Senator Faruqi: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) between World War 2 and the 1970s, the average unemployment rate was 2%, and

- (ii) since the 1980s, 5% unemployment has been considered ‘full employment’ by most governments, even though it means hundreds of thousands more people either have no work or not enough work; and
- (b) considers that:
 - (i) ‘full employment’ should mean what most people think it means, namely that everyone who wants a job can get one, and
 - (ii) Australia should have a full employment target of 2% unemployment and 2% underemployment. (*general business notice of motion no. 678*)

Senator Brown: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes:
 - (i) that many of the world’s 1.6 million seafarers are currently trapped on board ships as shore leave has been cancelled due to COVID-19, including many hundreds of Australian seafarers, and the cancellation of shore leave for workers who have been at sea for up to nine months can have a significant impact on the seafarers’ physical and mental health, and
 - (ii) for over 20 years, Sister Mary Leahy, known as the angel of Sydney’s waterfront, has worked as Chaplain to seafarers either visiting or based in Sydney — Sister Mary’s work is praised by seafarers and shipping company CEOs alike; and
- (b) records its thanks to Sister Mary, and her team of volunteers, for the important work she is undertaking with, and on behalf of, seafarers during these most challenging times. (*general business notice of motion no. 679*)

Senator Gallagher: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) on 8 April 2020 the Senate unanimously supported the establishment of the Senate Select Committee on COVID-19 to inquire into the Government’s response to the pandemic,
 - (ii) the Leader of the Government in the Senate told the chamber on 8 April 2020 that ‘we do believe there is a need for scrutiny’ and that ‘it is very important to have in place a committee of the type that is being proposed’,
 - (iii) the Government has refused to provide the Senate Select Committee on COVID-19 with important information relevant to its inquiry including:
 - (A) modelling and scenario work undertaken by Treasury on the Government’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and
 - (B) the date the Chief Medical Officer first briefed Cabinet on COVID-19, and
 - (iv) in relation to each of the examples in paragraph (a)(iii):
 - (A) the Government has asserted that it cannot provide the relevant information because it pertains to Cabinet,
 - (B) the Government has failed to make a public interest immunity claim in relation to the information sought,
 - (C) in particular, no attempt has been made to identify any specific harm to the public that would result from disclosing the information, and

- (D) the Committee has reiterated its requests for information and, in the case of the Treasury modelling, did not accept the Department's answer;
- (b) reaffirms:
 - (i) the resolution of the Senate of 16 July 1975 relating to the powers of the Senate and the accountability of witnesses and requiring that any claim to withhold information from the Senate be based on an established ground,
 - (ii) the order of the Senate of 13 May 2009 (the 'Cormann order'), which sets out the process to be followed for witnesses, including ministers, to raise public interest immunity claims, including by stating the grounds of those claims and the harm that might be occasioned by providing the information, and
 - (iii) the principle that information may only be withheld following consideration by the Senate of a properly founded claim of public interest immunity, as laid out in the Cormann order and reaffirmed in orders of the Senate of 22 September 2020, 10 February 2011, 3 March 2016, 11 October 2016 and 12 September 2017; and
- (c) orders the Minister representing the Treasurer and the Minister representing the Minister for Health to provide the information identified in paragraph (a)(iii) to the Senate Select Committee by 12 pm Thursday 18 June. (*general business notice of motion no. 680*)

Senator Faruqi: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) more than 100 greyhounds have been killed at racing tracks across Australia so far this year,
 - (ii) more than 3,000 injuries have been suffered by greyhounds at racing tracks across Australia so far this year, and
 - (iii) unlike other sports, greyhound and horse racing was allowed to continue during COVID-19 in all states and territories where it usually operates, with the exception of Tasmania;
- (b) recognises that greyhound racing is an inherently dangerous and cruel 'sport'; and
- (c) calls for a national ban on greyhound racing. (*general business notice of motion no. 681*)

Senators McMahon, McKenzie, Canavan, Davey and McDonald: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Northern Territory (NT) Gunner Labor Government closed the NT border on Tuesday, 24 March 2020, without a plan to re-open the border, citing expert medical advice as the foundation of this decision, and
 - (ii) Northern Territory Leader of the Opposition and Country Liberal Party Leader, Mrs Lia Finocchiaro MLA, has asked Chief Minister Gunner on multiple occasions to explain his criteria for re-opening the border, and he has not provided an acceptable answer detailing the criteria upon which a decision will finally be made;

- (b) recognises that:
 - (i) the last Territorian resident to have tested positive for COVID-19 was diagnosed on 6 April 2020 and there has never been an instance of community transfer of the virus in the NT,
 - (ii) there has been a total of 30 cases of COVID-19, all of whom recovered, and with no deaths recorded within the NT,
 - (iii) comments made by Prime Minister Scott Morrison on 27 May 2020 that ‘the national medical advice that came from the expert panel that has driven all the other decisions never recommended closing (interstate) borders’ and that border closures such as these ‘do harm the economy, they do harm jobs and it is important that we get those removed as soon as possible’, and
 - (iv) over the past four years the economy of the Northern Territory has suffered greatly under the Gunner Labor Government, with most businesses now under enormous financial stress while the NT border remains closed; and
- (c) calls on the NT Gunner Labor Government to:
 - (i) provide certainty and clarity to the people of the NT on when the Territory border will re-open,
 - (ii) deliver a real plan for re-opening the border, with identifiable targets, clear criteria and structured goals, based on the expert medical advice provided by the Chief Medical Officer of Australia, and
 - (iii) commit to re-opening the NT border by next Monday, 22 June 2020. (*general business notice of motion no. 682*)

The Minister for Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business (Senator Cash): To move on the next day of sitting—That the following bill be introduced: A Bill for an Act to amend the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, and for related purposes. ***Competition and Consumer Amendment (Australian Consumer Law—Country of Origin Representations) Bill 2020.***

Senator McCarthy: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises that all people in Australia, regardless of their ethnicity, cultural or religious background, deserve to be respected in our society;
- (b) notes the letter from more than 30 community groups in response to a rise in racist attacks and commentary in Australia;
- (c) acknowledges that racism has negative physiological and psychological impacts; and
- (d) calls on the Government to:
 - (i) immediately begin a bipartisan approach to the development of a national racism strategy that will build a more tolerant and inclusive society, and
 - (ii) immediately begin a bipartisan approach to developing a national racism campaign that educates and sends a message of zero tolerance to any form of racism in Australia. (*general business notice of motion no. 683*)

Senators Marielle Smith and Gallacher: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) acknowledges that:
 - (i) many Australians face challenges physically accessing the wider community, whether they live in urban, regional or remote areas, and
 - (ii) many Australians living with disability do not have access to reliable, affordable and safe transport;
- (b) notes that:
 - (i) around 4.4 million Australians live with disability,
 - (ii) the lives of many of these Australians can be significantly improved by the National Disability Insurance Scheme with the right commitment, funding and effort to work through the issues that they face on a daily basis,
 - (iii) too often, barriers to transport, both economic and practical, prevent Australians living with disability from participating fully in the social and economic life of our community,
 - (iv) too many Australians with disability are not able to access reliable, affordable and safe transport when they need it most, and
 - (v) further research and publicly accessible data is required which details the use of transport by Australians with disability; and
- (c) calls on the Government to prioritise the transport needs of all Australians living with disability. (*general business notice of motion no. 684*)

Senator Siewert: To move on the next day of sitting—That general business order of the day no. 23, relating to the Social Services Legislation Amendment (Ending the Poverty Trap) Bill 2018, be discharged from the *Notice Paper*. (*general business notice of motion no. 685*)

Senators Siewert and Steele-John: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment recipients did not receive the \$550 per week coronavirus supplement;
- (b) recognises that disabled people and carers are:
 - (i) experiencing higher vulnerability to COVID-19, disruption to essential supports and services, and increased economic insecurity during the pandemic,
 - (ii) reporting increased living costs as a result of COVID-19 and increased economic insecurity, and
 - (iii) more likely to be hit hardest by the recession because they are already disadvantaged within the labour market;
- (c) acknowledges that 40% of people on the Disability Support Pension, and 20% of people on Carer Payment are living below the poverty line; and
- (d) calls on the Government to immediately provide additional financial support to Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment recipients, and ensure its COVID-19 recovery plan includes specific strategies to support disabled people and carers. (*general business notice of motion no. 686*)

Senators Siewert and Whish-Wilson: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that, as part of the acreage release process, the Government is asking industry to nominate areas they are interested in for oil and gas exploration around Ningaloo Reef, Shark Bay, and the Exmouth Gulf;
- (b) acknowledges that:
 - (i) the Exmouth Gulf is a rare and precious estuarine system and crucial to the health of the World Heritage listed Ningaloo Reef,
 - (ii) Ningaloo Reef is one of the world's last healthy coral reefs and is home to humpback whales, whale sharks, dugongs, sawfish, turtles, and seagrass,
 - (iii) Shark Bay is World Heritage listed, satisfying all four criteria for natural heritage values, and is home to stromatolites which are among the oldest forms of life on earth,
 - (iv) any seismic exploration and drilling could have a devastating environmental impact on these areas, and
 - (v) areas south of the Pilbara are too environmentally sensitive to risk; and
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to remove Ningaloo Reef, Shark Bay, and the Exmouth Gulf from the acreage release process. (*general business notice of motion no. 687*)

The Leader of the Australian Greens in the Senate (Senator Waters): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) the Morrison Government's handpicked National COVID-19 Coordination Commission was established without clear terms of reference,
 - (ii) the membership of the Commission and its Manufacturing Taskforce is dominated by people with ties to the gas industry and who stand to benefit from investment in gas projects, including the Narrabri pipeline championed by the Commission,
 - (iii) despite requests for greater transparency, all but one of the members of the Commission have declined to make their conflict of interest disclosures publicly available,
 - (iv) members of the Commission's Manufacturing Taskforce are not required to disclose their conflicts of interest to the Prime Minister and Cabinet even though public records show some hold shareholdings in companies that would benefit from the projects the Taskforce recommends,
 - (v) Mr Paul Bastian, a member of the Manufacturing Taskforce, has reported that the Taskforce is overwhelmingly focused on a gas-led recovery and did not give adequate consideration to renewable energy projects, and
 - (vi) the Commission has failed to give comprehensive, independent consideration to important economy-boosting projects such as renewable energy and public housing infrastructure; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to disband the National COVID-19 Coordination Commission. (*general business notice of motion no. 688*)

The Leader of the Australian Greens in the Senate (Senator Waters): To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes the imminent end to many of the Government's COVID-19 economic response measures, including:
 - (i) the JobKeeper wage subsidy, which is due to finish on 27 September 2020, except for childcare centres for whom JobKeeper will finish at the end of June 2020,
 - (ii) the increase in JobSeeker and other social security payments, which are due to finish on 24 September 2020, along with the relaxation of eligibility criteria,
 - (iii) economic support payments to eligible income support recipients, the last of which will be made during July,
 - (iv) free childcare, which will finish at the end of June 2020,
 - (v) cash flow support for small and medium sized enterprises, which is due to finish at the end of September 2020,
 - (vi) the apprentice wages subsidy for small and medium sized enterprises which is which is due to finish at the end of September, and
 - (vii) arrangements for eviction moratoriums, rent reductions and mortgage holidays, which are all due to finish at the end of September; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to:
 - (i) extend economic response measures so as to avoid more people losing their jobs, more people having their income reduced, and more people falling into poverty,
 - (ii) develop a government-led recovery plan that will create the jobs for the future, and
 - (iii) announce these measures urgently so as to provide certainty and confidence, and to give the nation the best chance of making a strong recovery. (*general business notice of motion no. 689*)

Senator Hanson-Young: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) it has been more than three months since COVID-19 physical distancing rules effectively shut down the arts and entertainment industry overnight,
 - (ii) hundreds of thousands of workers in the arts and entertainment industry have been impacted, and
 - (iii) the Morrison Government has not announced any specific industry assistance for arts and entertainment;
- (b) calls on the Morrison Government to detail and deliver a recovery package for the arts and entertainment industry; and
- (c) transmits this resolution to the House of Representatives for concurrence. (*general business notice of motion no. 690*)

Senator McKim: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that 14 to 20 June 2020 is Refugee Week in Australia, and that 20 June 2020 is World Refugee Day;
- (b) reaffirms Australia's commitments as a signatory to the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees;
- (c) agrees that:
 - (i) refugees and people seeking asylum have made, and will continue to make, significant contributions to Australia's social fabric and economic well-being, and
 - (ii) the indefinite detention of refugees, both offshore and onshore, causes trauma and harm to people who have applied for refugee status under the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees; and
- (d) calls on the Federal Government to immediately accept the kind offer from the New Zealand Government to provide resettlement to 150 people each year from Australia's offshore detention cohort. (*general business notice of motion no. 691*)

The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam): To move on the next day of sitting—That the provisions of paragraphs (5) to (8) of standing order 111 not apply to the following bills, allowing them to be considered during this period of sittings:

Broadcasting Services Amendment (Regional Commercial Radio and Other Measures) Bill 2020

Education Legislation Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Bill 2020

National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Amendment (Governance and Other Matters) Bill 2020

Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Bill 2020

Treasury Laws Amendment (2020 Measures No. 2) Bill 2020

Treasury Laws Amendment (2020 Measures No. 3) Bill 2020

Treasury Laws Amendment (More Flexible Superannuation) Bill 2020.

Documents: Senator Duniam tabled the following documents:

Consideration of legislation—Statements of reasons [7] for the introduction and passage of bills in the 2020 winter sittings.

Contingent notice of motion: The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) gave a contingent notice of motion as follows: To move (contingent on any minister being refused leave to amend a motion prior to it being taken as formal)—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent that minister amending the motion.

Notices of motion withdrawn:

Senator Roberts withdrew business of the Senate notice of motion no. 3 standing in his name for today, proposing a reference to the Procedure Committee.

Senator Hanson-Young withdrew business of the Senate notice of motion no. 4 standing in her name for today, proposing a reference to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee.

Senator Patrick withdrew general business notice of motion no. 677 standing in his name for today, relating to an extension of time to report for the Economics Legislation Committee.

10 Postponement

Business of the Senate notice of motion no. 2 standing in the names of Senators Hanson-Young, Kitching and Carr for today, proposing the disallowance of the Australian Postal Corporation (Performance Standards) Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2020, was postponed till 10 August 2020.

11 Discovery of formal business—Statements by leave

The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) and Senators Roberts and Siewert, by leave, made statements relating to the discovery of formal business.

12 Environment and Communications Legislation Committee—Reference—Future of Australia Post’s service delivery

Senator Urquhart, at the request of Senator Kitching and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved business of the Senate notice of motion no. 5—That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and interim report by Tuesday, 11 August 2020 with the final report due by the first sitting Tuesday of March 2021:

The future of Australia Post’s service delivery, with particular reference to:

- (a) the Australian Postal Corporation (Performance Standards) Amendment Regulations 2020 and their impact on services, the Australia Post workforce and affected businesses;
- (b) the impact of COVID-19 on the financial position of Australia Post and its future;
- (c) a sustainable plan for Australia Post to provide:
 - (i) services that meet community needs and expectations,
 - (ii) job security for its workforce, and
 - (iii) support for regional and metropolitan licensed post offices;
- (d) international and domestic trends with parcels, letters and pricing; and
- (e) any related matters.

The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), by leave, moved the following amendments:

Omit “Environment and Communication References Committee”, substitute “Environment and Communications Legislation Committee”.

Omit “interim report by Tuesday, 11 August 2020 with the final report due by the first sitting Tuesday of March 2021”, substitute “final report by 11 August 2020”.

Statements by leave: Senator Cormann and the Leader of Pauline Hanson’s One Nation (Senator Hanson), by leave, made statements relating to the amendments.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 33

Senators—

Antic	Hanson	McLachlan	Roberts
Askew	Henderson	McMahon	Ruston
Birmingham	Hughes	Molan	Ryan
Bragg	Hume	O'Sullivan	Scarr
Chandler	Lambie	Paterson	Seselja
Colbeck	McDonald	Patrick	Smith, Dean*
Cormann	McGrath	Rennick	Stoker
Davey	McKenzie	Reynolds	Van
Duniam			

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Senators—

Ayres	Dodson	Lines	Urquhart*
Bilyk	Farrell	McCarthy	Walsh
Brown	Faruqi	McKim	Waters
Carr	Gallagher	Pratt	Watt
Chisholm	Green	Rice	Whish-Wilson
Ciccone	Hanson-Young	Sheldon	Wong
Di Natale	Kitching	Siewert	

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

Main question, as amended, put and passed.

13 **Administrative Appeals Tribunal—Social Services & Child Support Division—Order for production of documents**

Senator Urquhart, at the request of Senator Watt and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 666—That—

- (1) There be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Attorney-General, by no later than 9 am on 30 July 2020, a copy of each decision by the Social Services & Child Support Division of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) dated between 1 July 2015 and 27 November 2019 (with any redactions that are necessary to protect personal privacy) in which a Member of the AAT determined that: for the purpose of sections 1222A(a) and 1223(1) of the *Social Security Act 1991*, no debt or debt component is able to be founded on the basis of extrapolations from Australian Taxation Office records (however expressed).
- (2) If the Senate is not sitting when the documents are ready for presentation, the documents are to be presented to the President under standing order 166.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 30

Senators—

Bilyk	Faruqi	McCarthy	Siewert
Brown	Gallagher	McKim	Sterle
Carr	Green	Patrick	Urquhart*
Chisholm	Hanson	Pratt	Walsh
Ciccone	Hanson-Young	Rice	Waters
Di Natale	Kitching	Roberts	Watt
Dodson	Lambie	Sheldon	Whish-Wilson
Farrell	Lines		

NOES, 27

Senators—

Askew	Duniam	McLachlan	Ryan
Birmingham	Henderson	McMahon	Scarr
Bragg	Hughes	Molan	Seselja
Chandler	Hume	O'Sullivan	Smith, Dean*
Colbeck	McDonald	Paterson	Stoker
Cormann	McGrath	Reynolds	Van
Davey	McKenzie	Ruston	

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

14 **Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability—Confidentiality provisions**

Senator Siewert, at the request of Senator Steele-John and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 667—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) the Chair of the Royal Commission into Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation of People with Disability (the Royal Commission), the Honourable Ronald Sackville AO QC, wrote to the Prime Minister and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet on 14 February 2020 to request that changes be made to the *Royal Commissions Act 1902* to ensure the confidentiality of submitters and those giving evidence could be protected beyond the life of the Royal Commission,
- (ii) the Administrative Arrangements Orders were amended on 2 April 2020, transferring responsibility for the Act to the Attorney-General's portfolio,
- (iii) this letter and the changes requested within it remain outstanding and unresolved,
- (iv) many disabled people, families, carers, and support workers hold significant concerns about making submissions and providing evidence to the Royal Commission of instances of violence, abuse, neglect, and exploitation of disabled people, particularly in contemporaneous and ongoing instances, due to the lack of protections afforded to them in the legislation,

- (v) this issue is prohibiting people from telling their stories and preventing the Royal Commission from being able to access the breadth of stories it should be able to, and
- (vi) without this change there are real and significant fears held by the community that the Royal Commission will miss the many stories and experiences that form the whole picture of what has happened to disabled people in this country, and to ensure that disabled people see justice and deep systemic changes needed to prevent instances of violence, abuse, neglect, and exploitation from happening in the future; and
- (b) calls on the Government to:
 - (i) give an urgent update on the progress of this change and provide a timeline for when we will expect to see legislation introduced, and
 - (ii) commit to making the required legislative changes as soon as possible.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

15 **Live export industry**

Senator Roberts, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 668—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the 2011 Gillard Government decision to suspend live exports:
 - (i) gravely affected the live export industry, and
 - (ii) was declared invalid by the Federal Court earlier in June; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to rule out appealing the Federal Court's decision.

Statements by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam) and Senators Faruqi and Gallagher, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 30

Senators—

Antic	Duniam	McMahon	Ruston
Askew	Hanson	Molan	Ryan
Birmingham	Hughes	O'Sullivan	Scarr
Canavan	Hume	Paterson	Seselja
Chandler	Lambie	Rennick	Smith, Dean*
Colbeck	McDonald	Reynolds	Stoker
Cormann	McKenzie	Roberts	Van
Davey	McLachlan		

NOES, 28

Senators—			
Bilyk	Farrell	McCarthy	Siewert
Brown	Faruqi	McKim	Sterle
Carr	Gallagher	O'Neill	Urquhart*
Chisholm	Green	Patrick	Walsh
Ciccone	Hanson-Young	Pratt	Waters
Di Natale	Kitching	Rice	Watt
Dodson	Lines	Sheldon	Whish-Wilson

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

16 Indigenous deaths in custody

Motion determined as not formal: Senator Roberts requested that general business notice of motion no. 669 standing in his name for today, relating to Indigenous deaths in custody, be taken as formal. An objection was raised and the motion was not proceeded with as a formal motion.

Proposed suspension of standing orders: Senator Roberts, pursuant to contingent notice, moved—That so much of the standing orders be suspended as would prevent the motion being moved immediately and determined without amendment or debate.

Question—That the motion to suspend standing orders be agreed to—put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 3

Senators—		
Hanson	Lambie	Roberts*

NOES, 53

Senators—			
Askew	Duniam	McDonald	Ruston
Bilyk	Farrell	McKenzie	Ryan
Birmingham	Faruqi	McKim	Scarr
Bragg	Fierravanti-Wells	McLachlan	Seselja
Brown	Gallagher	McMahon	Siewert
Canavan	Green	Molan	Smith, Dean
Carr	Hanson-Young	O'Neill	Stoker
Chandler	Henderson	O'Sullivan	Urquhart*
Ciccone	Hughes	Paterson	Van
Colbeck	Hume	Patrick	Walsh
Cormann	Kitching	Pratt	Waters
Davey	Lines	Reynolds	Watt
Di Natale	McCarthy	Rice	Whish-Wilson
Dodson			

* Tellers

Question negated.

17 **Supporting international students—Order for production of documents**

Senator Faruqi amended general business notice of motion no. 674 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—That—

- (1) There be laid on the table by 7.20 pm on 17 June 2020:
 - (a) by the Minister representing the Minister for Education: any documents created, sent or received by the office of the Minister for Education, and by the Department of Education, between and inclusive of 1 March 2020 and 1 May 2020, relating to a national hardship fund, or similar program, payment, or initiative to support international students during COVID-19; and
 - (b) by the Minister representing the Treasurer: any documents created, sent or received by the office of the Treasurer, and by the Department of the Treasury, between and inclusive of 1 March 2020 and 1 May 2020, relating to a national hardship fund, or similar program, payment, or initiative to support international students during COVID-19.
- (2) If either or both of the Ministers fail to table the documents required by paragraph (1), the Minister representing the Minister for Education is required to attend the Senate on 18 June 2020, prior to government business being called on, to provide an explanation of no more than 10 minutes, also on behalf of the Minister representing the Treasurer, of the Government's failure to table the documents.
- (3) Any senator may move to take note of the explanation required by paragraph (2).
- (4) Any such motion shall have precedence over all business until determined, and senators may speak to the motion for no more than 10 minutes each.

Statements by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam) and Senator Patrick, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

The question was divided at the request of Senator Patrick.

Question—That the motion be agreed to in respect of paragraph (1)—put and passed.

Question—That the motion be agreed to in respect of paragraphs (2) to (4)—put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 27

Senators—

Bilyk	Farrell	McCarthy	Sterle
Brown	Faruqi	McKim	Urquhart*
Carr	Gallagher	O'Neill	Walsh
Chisholm	Green	Pratt	Waters
Ciccone	Hanson-Young	Rice	Watt
Di Natale	Kitching	Sheldon	Whish-Wilson
Dodson	Lines	Siewert	

NOES, 33

Senators—

Antic	Duniam	McKenzie	Roberts
Askew	Fierravanti-Wells	McLachlan	Ruston
Birmingham	Hanson	Molan	Ryan
Bragg	Henderson	O'Sullivan	Scarr
Canavan	Hughes	Paterson	Seselja
Chandler	Hume	Patrick	Smith, Dean*
Colbeck	Lambie	Rennick	Stoker
Cormann	McDonald	Reynolds	Van
Davey			

* Tellers

Question negatived.

18 **Adani Carmichael coal mine**

The Leader of the Australian Greens in the Senate (Senator Waters), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 650—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) since the *Sydney Morning Herald* and *The Age* reported on 11 June 2020 that international insurance companies Liberty Mutual, HDI-Talanx and Aspen Re were underwriting work on Adani's Carmichael coal mine, Liberty Mutual and HDI-Talanx have publicly stated that they will not provide future policies to the Adani Carmichael project, and Aspen Re is 'reviewing its underwriting appetite for fossil fuels',
- (ii) existing coverage extends to early work only and Adani has still not secured insurance for the complete construction and operation of the Carmichael mine,
- (iii) many major companies have refused to be involved in any part of the climate-wrecking project, including:
 - (A) at least sixteen global insurers, and
 - (B) at least sixty-five major insurance, construction, engineering, finance and haulage companies, and
- (iv) in the ten years since this mine was announced, the Adani group has:
 - (A) misrepresented the number of jobs the Carmichael mine would create,
 - (B) illegally released contaminated water into protected wetlands and the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area, and
 - (C) been criminally convicted in relation to giving false and misleading information to the Queensland regulator in relation to unlawful clearing activities; and

(b) calls on the Federal Government to:

- (i) recognise that the Adani Carmichael coal mine project is unviable and withdraw its support for the project,
- (ii) ban all new thermal coal mining in the Galilee Basin and plan a just transition for workers in existing coal mines, and

- (iii) invest in renewable energy projects that will actually create jobs without turbo-charging the climate crisis.

Statements by leave: Senators Gallagher and Roberts, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 9

Senators—

Di Natale

McKim

Rice

Waters

Faruqi

Patrick

Siewert*

Whish-Wilson

Hanson-Young

NOES, 36

Senators—

Antic

Davey

McDonald

Ruston

Askew

Duniam

McLachlan

Ryan

Birmingham

Fierravanti-Wells

Molan

Scarr

Bragg

Gallagher

O'Neill

Seselja

Canavan

Hanson

O'Sullivan

Smith, Dean

Chandler

Henderson

Paterson

Stoker

Chisholm

Hughes

Rennick

Urquhart*

Colbeck

Hume

Reynolds

Van

Cormann

Lambie

Roberts

Watt

* Tellers

Question negatived.

19 **Income compliance program—Establishment of Royal Commission**

Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 659—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) robodebt and the income compliance program has caused enormous harm and trauma to hundreds of thousands of Australians, and
- (ii) the Government has not genuinely apologised to robodebt victims;

(b) acknowledges that:

- (i) the Government is only refunding illegal debts from 2015, which will leave many victims behind, and
- (ii) the social and economic costs of this program have not been fully identified and examined; and

(c) calls on the Government to establish a Royal Commission into robodebt to examine all elements of this program.

Statement by leave: Senator Gallagher, by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 8

Senators—

Di Natale
Faruqi

Hanson-Young
McKim

Rice
Siewert*

Waters
Whish-Wilson

NOES, 36

Senators—

Antic
Askew
Birmingham
Bragg
Canavan
Chandler
Colbeck
Cormann
Davey

Duniam
Fierravanti-Wells
Gallagher
Hanson
Henderson
Hughes
Hume
Lambie
McDonald

McLachlan
Molan
O'Neill
O'Sullivan
Paterson
Patrick
Rennick
Reynolds
Roberts

Ruston
Ryan
Scarr
Seselja
Smith, Dean
Stoker
Urquhart*
Van
Watt

* Tellers

Question negatived.

20 Live exports—Northern summer

Senator Faruqi, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 670—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) on 2 June 2020, the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment denied live exporter Rural Export and Trading (WA) Pty Ltd (RETWA) an exemption to new rules which prohibit the export of sheep by sea to the Middle East during the northern summer,
- (ii) on 13 June 2020, the Department back-flipped on this decision, granting an exemption to allow approximately 50,000 sheep to be exported;

(b) recognises that the new rules, only recently introduced, were designed to protect sheep from the dangerously hot and humid conditions which will lead to inevitable suffering from heat stress, and put the animals at serious risk of death; and

(c) calls on the Minister for Agriculture to intervene and stop the RETWA ship from departing Australia.

Statements by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam) and Senator Gallagher, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 9

Senators—

Di Natale
Faruqi
Hanson-Young

McKim
Patrick

Rice
Siewert*

Waters
Whish-Wilson

NOES, 36

Senators—

Antic	Duniam	McGrath	Ruston
Askew	Fierravanti-Wells	McLachlan	Ryan
Birmingham	Gallagher	Molan	Scarr
Bragg	Hanson	O'Neill	Seselja
Canavan	Henderson	O'Sullivan	Smith, Dean
Chandler	Hughes	Paterson	Stoker
Colbeck	Hume	Rennick	Urquhart*
Cormann	Lambie	Reynolds	Van
Davey	McDonald	Roberts	Watt

* Tellers

Question negatived.

21 **Infrastructure—Bradfield Scheme**

The Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson), pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 672—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Government has announced it is working to fast-track several infrastructure projects they believe to be essential to Australia's long-term economic recovery; and
- (b) calls on the Government to add the development of a hybrid Bradfield Scheme to their list of essential infrastructure projects to be fast-tracked.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 2

Senators—

Hanson	Roberts*
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NOES, 39

Senators—

Antic	Duniam	McLachlan	Seselja
Askew	Faruqi	Molan	Siewert
Birmingham	Fierravanti-Wells	O'Sullivan	Smith, Dean
Bragg	Gallagher	Paterson	Stoker
Canavan	Hanson-Young	Patrick	Urquhart*
Chandler	Henderson	Reynolds	Van
Colbeck	Hughes	Rice	Waters
Cormann	Hume	Ruston	Watt
Davey	McGrath	Ryan	Whish-Wilson
Di Natale	McKim	Scarr	

* Tellers

Question negatived.

22 Public Works—Joint Statutory Committee—Reference of work

The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), at the request of the Assistant Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters (Senator Seselja) and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved government business notice of motion no. 1—That, in accordance with the provisions of the *Public Works Committee Act 1969*, the following proposed works be referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works for consideration and report as expeditiously as is possible:

AIR 555 Phase 1 Airborne Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance Electronic Warfare Capability Facilities Works.

Document: Senator Duniam tabled a statement relating to the proposed works.

Question put and passed.

23 World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 671—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that yesterday, 15 June 2020, was World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, which represents the one day each year when the whole world voices its opposition to the abuse and suffering inflicted on older people;
- (b) acknowledges that the sexual abuse of older women in residential aged care and home care settings is a form of elder abuse that has long been ignored; and
- (c) calls on all governments to:
 - (i) work together to better respond to all forms of elder abuse, including physical abuse, psychological or emotional abuse, social abuse, financial abuse, sexual abuse and elder neglect,
 - (ii) improve reporting requirements and data collection on elder abuse, and
 - (iii) develop national strategies informed by best practice evidence for the prevention of sexual abuse in both residential aged care and home care settings.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

24 Vietnamese community

Senator Dean Smith, also on behalf of Senator Keneally, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 673—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the first Vietnamese refugees in Western Australia were discovered drifting offshore in boats on the north-west coast on 12 May 1977;
- (b) further notes that 25 Vietnamese refugees disembarked in Perth from Broome on 17 May 1977;
- (c) acknowledges Western Australia has become home to a vibrant Vietnamese community with almost 22,000 people declaring Vietnamese ancestry in the 2016 census; and

- (d) recognises the significant civic, economic and social contributions made by members of the Vietnamese community in Western Australia, and their part in shaping modern Australia.

Question put and passed.

25 **Migraine Awareness Month**

Senator Urquhart, at the request of Senators Polley and Bilyk and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 675—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
 - (i) June is Migraine Awareness Month,
 - (ii) migraine severely impacts an individual's capacity to work, their mental wellbeing, quality of life and relationships,
 - (iii) approximately 4.9 million people in Australia suffer from migraine, of which 400,000 are chronic migraine sufferers,
 - (iv) migraine affects more women than men, with approximately 3 women sufferers for every male sufferer, a ratio of 3 to 1, and
 - (v) there are currently two drugs recommended for listing on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) to treat migraine, Emgality and AJOVY, with Emgality having been recommended by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee in July 2019; and
- (b) calls on the Government to list these drugs on the PBS immediately to provide relief to those suffering from migraine.

Statement by leave: The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), by leave, made a statement relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

26 **Fair Work Amendment (One in, All in) Bill 2020 [No. 2]**

Senator Faruqi, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 676—That the following bill be introduced:

A Bill for an Act to amend the *Fair Work Act 2009*, and for related purposes.

Question put and passed.

Senator Faruqi presented the bill and moved—That this bill may proceed without formalities and be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

Senator Faruqi moved—That this bill be now read a second time.

Explanatory memorandum: Senator Faruqi, by leave, tabled an explanatory memorandum relating to the bill.

Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting, Senator Faruqi in continuation.

27 **Discussion of matter of public importance—Modern Slavery Advisory Group**

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Sterle) informed the Senate that the following matter of public importance submitted by Senator Gallagher under standing order 75 had been selected for discussion today:

The Morrison Government's incompetence in failing to appoint any civil society or union representatives to the Modern Slavery Expert Advisory Group, thereby establishing an unbalanced Group that overwhelmingly represents business interests, and undermining Australia's progress to eradicate modern slavery in supply chains.

The proposal was supported by four senators and the matter was discussed.

28 **Committee reports and government responses—Tabling and consideration**

The Deputy Chair of the Joint Select Committee on Australia's Family Law System (Senator Hanson) tabled the following document:

Australia's Family Law System—Joint Select Committee—Statement on progress of the inquiry, dated 16 June 2020.

The Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians (Senator Colbeck) tabled the following document:

Treaties—Joint Standing Committee—188th report—Investments Uruguay, ISDS UN Convention and Convention SKAO—Government response, dated June 2020.

29 **ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly—40th General Assembly—Document**

Senator Gallacher, by leave, tabled the following document:

ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly—Report of the Australian parliamentary delegation to the 40th General Assembly in Bangkok, Thailand, and to the Philippines and Malaysia, 24 August to 4 September 2019, dated June 2020.

Senator Gallacher moved—That the Senate take note of the document.

Question put and passed.

30 **Committee membership**

The Deputy President (Senator Lines) informed the Senate that the President had received letters requesting changes in the membership of committees.

The Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians (Senator Colbeck), by leave, moved—That senators be discharged from and appointed to committees as follows:

Economics Legislation and References Committees—

Discharged—

Senator Kitching

Participating member: Senator Gallacher

Appointed—

Senator Gallacher

Participating member: Senator Kitching

Temporary Migration—Select Committee—

Discharged—Participating member: Senator Faruqi

Appointed—Participating member: Senator McKim.

Question put and passed.

31 Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendment (Coronavirus Economic Response Package) Bill 2020

A message from the House of Representatives was reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bill:

Message no. 219, dated 15 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975*, and for related purposes.

The Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians (Senator Colbeck) moved—That this bill may proceed without formalities and be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

Senator Colbeck moved—That this bill be now read a second time.

On the motion of Senator Colbeck the debate was adjourned till the next day of sitting.

32 Australian Postal Corporation (Performance Standards) Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2020—Proposed disallowance

Senator Kitching, also on behalf of Senators Carr and Hanson-Young and pursuant to notice, moved business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1—That the Australian Postal Corporation (Performance Standards) Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2020, made under the *Australian Postal Corporation Act 1989*, be disallowed [F2020L00579].

Debate ensued.

At 7.20 pm: Debate was interrupted while Senator Roberts was speaking.

33 Adjournment

The Acting Deputy President (Senator Walsh) proposed the question—That the Senate do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

The Senate adjourned at 10.17 pm till Wednesday, 17 June 2020 at 9.30 am.

34 Attendance

Present, all senators except Senators Griff*, Polley*, Marielle Smith* and Steele-John* (*on leave).

RICHARD PYE
Clerk of the Senate