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## 1 Meeting of Senate

The Senate met at 9.30 am. 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 Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998—*

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority instrument fixing charges No. 1 of 2020 [F2020L00679].

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority instrument fixing charges No. 2 of 2020 [F2020L00680].

*Fisheries Management Act 1991—Northern Prawn Fishery Amendment (Closures) Direction No. 1 2020 [F2020L00678].*

*Income Tax Assessment Act 1997—Cents per Kilometre Deduction Rate for Car Expenses 2020 [F2020L00676]—Replacement explanatory statement.*

*Sydney Airport Curfew Act 1995—Dispensation Report—06/20.*

## 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:

Administration of Sports Grants—Select Committee—today, from 9.30 am.

Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee—

Tuesday, 16 June 2020, from 4 pm.

Wednesday, 17 June 2020, from midday.

Thursday, 18 June 2020, from 9.30 am.

## 4 Commonwealth Registers Bill 2019

**Treasury Laws Amendment (Registries Modernisation and Other Measures) Bill 2019**

**Business Names Registration (Fees) Amendment (Registries Modernisation) Bill 2019**

**Corporations (Fees) Amendment (Registries Modernisation) Bill 2019**

**National Consumer Credit Protection (Fees) Amendment (Registries Modernisation) Bill 2019**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bills read a second time.

No amendments to the bills were circulated and no senator required that they be considered in committee.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister for Superannuation, Financial Services and Financial Technology (Senator Hume) the bills were read a third time.

## 5 **Treasury Laws Amendment (2019 Measures No. 3) 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.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

The Senate resolved itself into committee for the consideration of the bill.

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### *In the committee*

Bill taken as a whole by leave.

Senator Patrick moved the following amendments together by leave:

Clause 2, page 2 (at the end of the table), add:

8. Schedule 4      The day after this Act receives the Royal  
Assent.

Page 71 (after line 3), at the end of the bill, add:

### **Schedule 4—Financial reporting obligations for large proprietary companies**

#### **Part 1—Repeal of instrument**

#### ***ASIC Corporations (Exempt Proprietary Companies) Instrument 2015/840***

##### **1 The whole of the instrument**

Repeal the instrument.

#### **Part 2—Grandfathered exemption**

#### ***Corporations Act 2001***

##### **2 Subsection 1408(6) (table item 7)**

Repeal the table item.

#### **Part 3—Application**

##### **3 Application**

- (1) This item applies to a company if, immediately before the commencement of this item, the company was exempted from complying with subsection 319(1) of the *Corporations Act 2001* by the *ASIC Corporations (Exempt Proprietary Companies) Instrument 2015/840*.
- (2) Despite the amendments made by Parts 1 and 2, that exemption continues to apply to the company in relation to the 2019-20 financial year.

#### 4 Instruments that provide relief from requirements of Corporations Act—Lodgment of annual reports by large proprietary companies

- (1) Despite anything contained in the *Corporations Act 2001*, ASIC may not make a legislative instrument, however described, if that legislative instrument would have the effect of relieving the class of companies referred to in subitem (2) of the requirement to comply with subsection 319(1) of the Act for a financial year.
- (2) The class of companies is the class of large proprietary companies that was relieved from the requirement to comply with subsection 319(1) of the *Corporations Act 2001* due to the operation of the *ASIC Corporations (Exempt Proprietary Companies) Instrument 2015/840* as in force immediately before the commencement of this Schedule.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put.

The committee divided—

AYES, 31

Senators—

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

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Senators—

Antic	Davey	McLachlan	Ruston
Askew	Henderson	McMahon	Ryan
Bragg	Hughes	Molan	Scarr
Brockman*	Hume	O'Sullivan	Smith, Dean
Cash	McDonald	Payne	Stoker
Chandler	McGrath	Rennick	Van
Colbeck	McKenzie	Reynolds	

\* Tellers

Question agreed to.

Senator Hanson-Young moved the following amendments together by leave:

Clause 2, page 2 (at the end of the table), add:

8. Schedule 4      The day after this Act receives the Royal Assent.

Page 71 (after line 3), at the end of the bill, add:

### Schedule 4—Arts and Entertainment Industry Coronavirus Recovery Fund

#### 1 Arts and Entertainment Industry Coronavirus Recovery Fund

- (1) There is to be an Arts and Entertainment Industry Coronavirus Recovery Fund.
- (2) The Finance Minister must, by legislative instrument, make rules to provide for and in relation to the establishment, governance and operation of the Fund, the purpose of which is to provide, in relation to the 2020-21 financial year, for a rescue package to support the arts and entertainment industry in Australia.

- (3) Money for the Fund is to be from funds appropriated by the Parliament for the purposes of this Act.

Note: Section 10 of the *Supply Act (No. 1) 2020-2021* and section 12 of the *Supply Act (No. 2) 2020-2021* provide for advances to the Finance Minister to facilitate urgent and unforeseen expenditure in certain circumstances, to ensure sufficient appropriations are available to support the coronavirus economic response.

- (4) The Finance Minister must make the rules under subitem (2) before 30 June 2020.
- (5) For the purposes of this item, **Finance Minister** means the Minister administering the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*.

Debate ensued.

Question—That the amendments be agreed to—put and negatived. All Centre Alliance senators, by leave, recorded their votes for the ayes.

Bill, as amended, agreed to and reported with amendments.

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On the motion of the Assistant Minister for Superannuation, Financial Services and Financial Technology (Senator Hume) the report from the committee was adopted and the bill read a third time.

## 6 **Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2019** **Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2019**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

*At 11.45 am:* Debate was interrupted while Senator Keneally was speaking.

## 7 **Notices**

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

- (a) notes the following West Australians who received Queen's Birthday Honours on 8 June 2020, for exceptional service to our community:

- (i) in the General Division:

- (A) Officer of the Order of Australia (AO): Mr Colin Beckett, Ms Denise Goldsworthy, Mr Ronald Manners, and Professor Bryant Stokes RFD,
- (B) Member of the Order of Australia (AM): Mr David Airey, Dr John Byrne, Mr Michael Dillon, Professor Neil Drew, Mr Kevin Edwards, Ms Margaret Halsmith, Mr Ian Kaye-Eddie ASM, Professor Cheryl Kickett-Tucker, Ms Marie Joan Kormendy, Ms Kate Lamont, Mr Ross Ledger, Professor Rhonda Marriott, Mr Abe Schneider, Mr Ross Shardlow, Ms Donna Shepherd, Dr Bryan Smith, Reverend Dr Elizabeth Smith, Dr Alastair Tulloch, and Mr Mike Wood, and

- (C) Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM): Dr Edmond Adler, Ms Fay Alford, Mrs Jillian Barton, Mrs Kristine Carter, Mr Neville Clark, Mr John Coles, Ms Robyn Devenish, Mrs Robin Dunham, Dr Barry Fatovich, Ms Tammy Flett, Mrs Gloria Grocott, Mr Michael Gusterson, Mr Christopher Hammond, Mr Noel Hoffman, Mrs June Hutchison, Mrs Helen James, Mr Donald McClements, Ms Janice McGlinn, Ms Helen McIntyre, Mr Ian Miffing, Mr James Mumme, Mr Noel Nancarrow, Mrs Phyllis Proud, Colonel Michael Romalis (Retd), Mr Malcolm Seymour, and Mr Muuki Taylor,
- (ii) Meritorious Awards:
  - (A) Public Service Medal (PSM): Mr Michael Barnes, Ms Heather Brayford and Mr John Fischer,
  - (B) Australian Police Medal (APM): Detective Sergeant Alan Millar, Sergeant Siobhan O'Loughlin, Inspector Shane Sadler, and Superintendent Valdo Sorgiovanni,
  - (C) Australian Fire Service Medal (AFSM): Mr James Armanasco, Mr Warren Day, and Mr Peter Sutton, and
  - (D) Emergency Services Medal (ESM): Mr Danny Goodlad and Mr David Price,
- (iii) in the Military Division, Member of the Order of Australia (AM): Colonel Steven Gaunt, and
- (iv) Distinguished and Conspicuous Awards:
  - (A) Conspicuous Service Cross (CSC): Commander Barry Carmichael Ran and Captain Paul Johnson RAN,
  - (B) Conspicuous Service Medal (CSM): Lieutenant Commander Siobhan Sturdy RAN; and
- (b) recognises the distinguished service that all Western Australian Queen's Birthday Honours recipients have made to the Australian community. (*general business notice of motion no. 655*)

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

- (a) congratulates the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) on its decision to include Auslan as a language option in the 2021 Australian census; and
- (b) acknowledges:
  - (i) the advocacy of Deaf Australia and other deaf and hard-of-hearing organisations that has led to this decision by the ABS, and
  - (ii) that recognition of Auslan and access to Auslan interpreters and interpretation is vital if deaf and hard-of-hearing Australians are to live full and included lives in our community, and an important part of that inclusion is recognition in the Australian census. (*general business notice of motion no. 656*)

Senators Lines, Sheldon, Walsh, Watt and Wong: To move on the next day of sitting—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that Monday, 15 June 2020 is International Day of Justice for Cleaners;
- (b) acknowledges and sincerely thanks:
  - (i) cleaners all over the world for their vitally important work at the frontline of the COVID-19 pandemic,
  - (ii) Australian cleaners, who have contributed to significantly flattening the curve of COVID-19 cases across the country whilst putting their own health at risk,
  - (iii) hospital cleaners, who have been particularly important during the COVID-19 pandemic where they have risked their lives on a daily basis ensuring that our hospitals remain free from COVID-19 outbreaks, and
  - (iv) cleaners at Parliament House, for keeping us safe; and
- (c) recognises the hard work and steadfast advocacy of the United Workers Union and Health Services Union in representing cleaners across Australia. (*general business notice of motion no. 657*)

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

- (a) notes that on Thursday, 11 June 2020 the Prime Minister said in a radio interview that ‘there was no slavery in Australia’,
- (b) acknowledges that:
  - (i) First Nations peoples worked on farms and pastoral stations for rations instead of wages; they were traded amongst settlers, with children being taken from their families and moved across the country to work,
  - (ii) First Nations peoples’ wages were stolen,
  - (iii) First Nations peoples had restrictions placed on them, such as restrictions on movement and choice – for example people had to apply for permission to travel and what they could purchase and where they could live,
  - (iv) First Nations peoples were subject to forced labour,
  - (v) at least 60,000 South Sea islanders were taken to Australia from 1857 to 1908, where they worked largely in cotton, sugar and pastoral industries in a process named ‘blackbirding’, and
  - (vi) there are many other examples of such abuse; and
- (c) calls on the Prime Minister to withdraw these comments, apologise and engage in a genuine process of truth-telling about Australia’s history. (*general business notice of motion no. 658*)

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

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) the 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. (*general business notice of motion no. 659*)

Senator Siewert: To move on the next day of sitting—That there be laid on the table by the Minister representing the Treasurer, by 2 pm on 18 June 2020, all documents relating to:

- (a) negotiations between the Australian Government and the lessor of the Abbotsford (Yarra) Service Centre, including ongoing lease negotiations;
- (b) consideration of other locations for the Yarra Service Centre; and
- (c) any planned Service Centre closures across Australia. (*general business notice of motion no. 660*)

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

- (a) notes:
  - (i) that the New South Wales (NSW) Government has included the former IBM site at 55 Coonara Avenue, West Pennant Hills in its planning acceleration program, despite the proposal for rezoning from business to residential and environmental use being opposed by the Hills Shire Council and Hornsby Shire Council,
  - (ii) that the proposal for high-density residential development on the site requires the removal of 2,000 trees, including Blue Gum High Forest and Sydney Turpentine-Ironbark Forest in the Sydney Basin Bioregion, both of which are listed as a critically endangered ecological communities under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*,
  - (iii) the sustained opposition of local residents, civic associations, environmentalists and elected councillors to the development,
  - (iv) that the NSW Natural Resource Commission has identified the Sydney Basin Bioregion as being at 'high biodiversity risk', and
  - (v) that land clearing has turned Australia into a global deforestation hot-spot and is exacerbating the climate emergency;
- (b) opposes the destruction of ecological communities listed as critically endangered under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*; and
- (c) calls on the NSW Government to reject Mirvac's rezoning application and instead convert the Cumberland State Forest and adjacent forest at 55 Coonara Avenue, West Pennant Hills into national park. (*general business notice of motion no. 661*)

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

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) Australian universities are facing massive losses in revenue as a result of falling enrolments during the COVID-19 crisis, and
  - (ii) universities across the country have begun to announce job cuts, with up to 30,000 jobs expected to be lost;
- (b) calls on vice-chancellors to prioritise retaining staff, including those on casual and fixed-term contracts, in their responses to revenue losses; and

- (c) calls on the Government to include all universities in the JobKeeper scheme.  
(*general business notice of motion no. 662*)

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 Senate passed the Australian Greens' National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2) on 9 September 2019, to establish a Federal corruption watchdog with broad remit to investigate allegations of corruption and misconduct, and to ensure strong, independent oversight of the actions of parliamentarians,
  - (ii) the National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2) was sent to the House of Representatives for debate on 10 September 2019, but has yet to be debated,
  - (iii) on 10 February 2020, the Senate resolved to call on the House to vote on the National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2),
  - (iv) the Government ignored this call and has prevented all attempts to debate and vote on the National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2) in the House,
  - (v) public consultation on the Commonwealth Integrity Commission model proposed by the Government ended nearly eighteen months ago, but the Government has yet to introduce legislation to establish an integrity commission,
  - (vi) in May 2020, the Attorney-General said that legislation to establish a Commonwealth Integrity Commission would be further delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic, despite an exposure draft being 'ready for release', and
  - (vii) polls consistently show that the majority of Australians support the establishment of a strong national integrity body;
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to bring on the National Integrity Commission Bill 2018 (No. 2) in the House of Representatives for a vote in the June 2020 sittings; and
- (c) transmits this resolution to the House of Representatives for concurrence. (*general business notice of motion no. 663*)

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

- (a) notes that the Government:
- (i) continues to exclude over 1 million casual workers from the JobKeeper payment,
  - (ii) has announced it will axe the JobKeeper payment for childcare sector workers on 20 July 2020, and
  - (iii) has agreed to consider Labor's call to reduce the JobKeeper payment for low income earners;

- (b) further notes that the above issues negatively impact women, as:
  - (i) women have been hit hardest by the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic,
  - (ii) women account for a disproportionate share of the casual workforce,
  - (iii) in February 2020, the full-time average weekly earnings of women was \$1,508, so reducing the JobKeeper payment for low income workers will have a significant impact on women,
  - (iv) women's underemployment ratio now sits at an unprecedented 16%, compared to 14% for men, and
  - (v) the last census indicates that over 90% of childcare sector workers are women;
- (c) also notes that the Government's stimulus response disproportionately benefits men, fails to support low-paid and female-dominated industries, and undervalues unpaid labour activities, which are largely performed by women; and
- (d) calls on the Government to support women in work instead of continuing to prioritise measures that will see women lose hours, lose jobs and lose income. (*general business notice of motion no. 664*)

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

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) streaming 'video on demand' services have no Australian content obligations requiring them to produce or show Australian-made TV shows, documentaries or films, despite having an increasing market share,
  - (ii) research shows that two thirds of Australians support laws requiring streaming services to show and fund locally made shows and films, and
  - (iii) Australian stories are vital for our culture and social fabric and the sustainability of our arts and entertainment industry; and
- (b) calls on the Federal Government to require tech giants like Netflix, Amazon Prime, Apple TV and Stan to back and fund Australian-made stories. (*general business notice of motion no. 665*)

## 8 Selection of Bills—Standing Committee—Report no. 5 of 2020

The Chair of the Selection of Bills Committee (Senator Dean Smith) tabled the following report:

### SELECTION OF BILLS COMMITTEE

#### REPORT NO. 5 OF 2020

1. The committee met in private session on Thursday, 11 June 2020 at 7.15 pm.
2. The committee recommends that—
  - (a) the **provisions** of the Payment Times Reporting Bill 2020 and Payment Times Reporting (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020 be **referred immediately** to the Education and Employment Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 30 July 2020;

- (b) the **provisions** of the Primary Industries (Customs) Charges Amendment (Dairy Cattle Export Charge) Bill 2020 be **referred immediately** to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 30 July 2020; and
  - (c) the **provisions** of the Product Stewardship (Oil) Amendment Bill 2020 and the Excise Tariff Amendment Bill 2020 be **referred immediately** to the Environment and Communications Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 30 July 2020.
3. The committee recommends that the following bills **not** be referred to committees:
- Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (Jabiru) Bill 2020
  - Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Amendment (APRA Industry Funding) Bill 2020
  - Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020
  - Authorised Non-operating Holding Companies Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020
  - General Insurance Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020
  - Life Insurance Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020
  - Retirement Savings Account Providers Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020
  - Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020
  - Aviation Legislation Amendment (Liability and Insurance) Bill 2020
  - Coronavirus Economic Support and Recovery (No-one Left Behind) Bill 2020
  - Fair Work Amendment (COVID-19) Bill 2020
  - Galilee Basin (Coal Prohibition) Bill 2018
  - Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendment (Coronavirus Economic Response Package) Bill 2020
  - National Skills Commissioner Bill 2020
  - Norfolk Island Amendment (Supreme Court) Bill 2020
  - Treasury Laws Amendment (2020 Measures No. 2) Bill 2020.
4. The committee deferred consideration of the following bills to its next meeting:
- Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Improved Home Care Payment Administration No. 1) Bill 2020
  - Air Services Amendment Bill 2018
  - Australian Education Legislation Amendment (Prohibiting the Indoctrination of Children) Bill 2020
  - Banking Amendment (Deposits) Bill 2020
  - Broadcasting Services Amendment (Regional Commercial Radio and Other Measures) Bill 2020
  - Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Ensuring Fair Representation of the Northern Territory) Bill 2020

Constitution Alteration (Freedom of Expression and Freedom of the Press) 2019  
 Customs Amendment (Safer Cladding) Bill 2019  
 Discrimination Free Schools Bill 2018  
 Education Legislation Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Bill 2020  
 Electoral Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2020  
 Governor-General Amendment (Cessation of Allowances in the Public Interest)  
 Bill 2019  
 Great Australian Bight Environment Protection Bill 2019  
 Health Insurance Amendment (Continuing the Office of the National Rural  
 Health Commissioner) Bill 2020  
 National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Strengthening Banning  
 Orders) Bill 2020  
 Regional Forest Agreements Legislation (Repeal) Bill 2017  
 Services Australia Governance Amendment Bill 2020  
 Social Services and Other Legislation Amendment (Omnibus) Bill 2020  
 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Better Targeting Student Payments)  
 Bill 2019  
 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Ending the Poverty Trap) Bill 2018  
 Social Services Legislation Amendment (Payment Integrity) Bill 2019  
 Treasury Laws Amendment (2020 Measures No. 3) Bill  
 Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Supporting the Wellbeing of Veterans  
 and Their Families) Bill 2020.

Dean Smith

Chair

12 June 2020.

Senator Dean Smith moved—That the report be adopted.

Question put and passed.

## 9 **Order of business—Rearrangement**

The Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam) moved—That—

- (a) the following government business orders of the day be considered from 12.45 pm today:

No. 5 Health Insurance Amendment (General Practitioners and Quality Assurance) Bill 2020

Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Bill 2020 (subject to introduction); and

- (b) government business be called on after consideration of the bills listed in paragraph (a) and considered till not later than 2 pm today.

Question put and passed.

Senator Duniam moved—That general business notice of motion no. 654 standing in the name of Senator Siewert, relating to coronavirus economic support and recovery, be considered during general business today.

Question put and passed.

Senator Duniam moved—That general business order of the day No. 42 (Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Amendment (Waiver of Debt and Act of Grace Payments) Bill 2019) be considered at the time for private senators' bills on Monday, 15 June 2020.

Question put and passed.

#### 10 **Postponement**

Business of the Senate notice of motion no. 2 standing in the name of Senator Hanson-Young for today, proposing the disallowance of the Australian Postal Corporation (Performance Standards) Amendment (2020 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2020, postponed till 15 June 2020.

#### 11 **Committee—Extension of time to report**

The Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee was granted an extension of time to report for its inquiry into the management of the Inland Rail project from 30 September 2020 to 11 November 2020.

#### 12 **Discovery of formal business—Statements by leave**

The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), Senator Gallagher, the Leader of the Australian Greens in the Senate (Senator Waters), and the Leader of Pauline Hanson's One Nation (Senator Hanson), by leave, made statements relating to the discovery of formal business.

#### 13 **Environment and Communications References Committee—Proposed reference—Protection and preservation of First Nations heritage**

Senator Siewert, also on behalf of Senator Hanson-Young, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved business of the Senate notice of motion no. 1—That the following matter be referred to the Environment and Communications References Committee for inquiry and report by 8 December 2020:

The protection and preservation of First Nations heritage, with specific reference to:

- (a) the destruction of the Juukan Gorge rock shelters;
- (b) any First Nations heritage sites in Western Australia and other states and territories that are at risk of destruction;
- (c) the adequacy of the *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984* in protecting and preserving First Nations heritage;
- (d) the adequacy of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* in protecting and conserving First Nations heritage;
- (e) the role of state, territory and Commonwealth governments in protecting First Nations heritage;
- (f) barriers to First Nations heritage and cultural protection in Australia; and
- (g) any related matters.

*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, 10

Senators—

Di Natale  
Faruqi  
Griff

Hanson-Young  
Lambie  
McKim

Patrick  
Siewert\*

Waters  
Whish-Wilson

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Senators—

Bragg  
Brockman  
Carr  
Chandler  
Colbeck  
Cormann  
Davey  
Duniam  
Gallacher

Gallagher  
Hanson  
Henderson  
Hughes  
Hume  
Kitching  
McDonald  
McKenzie  
McLachlan

Molan  
O'Sullivan  
Paterson  
Payne  
Rennick  
Roberts  
Ruston  
Ryan  
Scarr

Seselja  
Sheldon  
Smith, Dean  
Stoker  
Urquhart\*  
Van  
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Watt

\* Tellers

Question negatived.

#### 14 **Queensland resource industry**

Senator Scarr, also on behalf of Senators Canavan, McDonald, McGrath, Rennick and Stoker, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 610—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) the resources industry contributes 1 in every 8 Queensland jobs, and \$4.3 billion in royalties shared across the state of Queensland,
- (ii) New Hope Group's expanded Acland mine, in Oakey, is critical for the Queensland economy and especially for jobs in regional Queensland,
- (iii) the successful land rehabilitation practices of the New Hope Group have seen mined land returned to productive pasture and agricultural grazing areas, demonstrating that agriculture and mining are not exclusionary,
- (iv) New Hope has been working constructively with state and federal governments on approvals for their Stage 3 mine expansion since 2007,
- (v) this expansion will see the mine's life extend until 2031 and increase production from 5.2 million tonnes to 7.5 million tonnes,
- (vi) in September 2019, the mine has reduced its staff from 300 to 150, due to 12 years of delays in receiving the necessary approvals, and
- (vii) due to the state government inaction, in the face of continued legal action, the mine is likely to run out of coal in early 2021; and

- (b) calls on the Queensland Government to expedite the approvals process for the New Acland coal mine and to not allow its approvals process to be delayed where there is no court order preventing the grant of the approvals and the opponents of the project are engaging in a cycle of never ending 'lawfare'.

*Statements by leave:* Senator Watt and the Leader of the Australian Greens in the Senate (Senator Waters), by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

#### AYES, 28

Senators—

Abetz	Cormann	McGrath	Ruston
Antic	Duniam	O'Sullivan	Ryan
Birmingham	Fawcett	Paterson	Scarr
Canavan	Fierravanti-Wells	Payne	Seselja
Cash	Hanson	Rennick	Smith, Dean*
Chandler	Hume	Reynolds	Stoker
Colbeck	McDonald	Roberts	Van

#### NOES, 25

Senators—

Ayres	Gallacher	McAllister	Sterle
Bilyk	Gallagher	McKim	Urquhart*
Carr	Green	O'Neill	Walsh
Chisholm	Griff	Pratt	Waters
Ciccone	Hanson-Young	Sheldon	Watt
Di Natale	Kitching	Siewert	Whish-Wilson
Faruqi			

\* Tellers

Question agreed to.

## 15 Domestic violence

Senator Urquhart, at the request of Senator McAllister and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 634—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) during the coronavirus pandemic, there has been an increase in violence against women and their children,
- (ii) at least 23 women have been murdered so far this year at the hands of a current or former partner in Australia,
- (iii) on average, more than one woman a week is murdered by a current or former partner,
- (iv) violence against women and their children will continue to worsen in the face of job losses, stand-downs and financial stress and uncertainty, and
- (v) domestic and family violence services funding was inadequate before the COVID-19 pandemic; and



- (b) calls on the Morrison Government to:
  - (i) follow Labor's call to convene a national summit on violence against women and their children, and
  - (ii) urgently provide more support for frontline domestic violence services.

*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.

## 16 **Women's economic security**

Senator Urquhart, at the request of Senator McAllister and pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 635—  
That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) the COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately impacted women's economic security:
    - (A) in April over half a million Australians lost their jobs, of which 55% were women,
    - (B) women's underemployment ratio now sits at an unprecedented 16%, compared to 14% for men, and
    - (C) modelling has estimated that more than 200,000 women casual workers in the accommodation, food services and retail trade sectors alone will miss out on the JobKeeper wage subsidy,
  - (ii) women typically retire with half the superannuation balance of men and, if they choose to withdraw funds, women will suffer a significantly greater impact on their retirement income than men,
  - (iii) Australian women have been on the frontline of the COVID-19 crisis in Australia in underpaid and undervalued roles:
    - (A) women account for 87% of registered nurses and midwives,
    - (B) women account for 87% of aged care workers, and
    - (C) women account for 96% of early childhood educators, and
  - (iv) as a result of COVID-19, mothers are spending an extra hour each day on unpaid housework and four extra hours on childcare; and
- (b) calls on the Morrison Government to recognise that women have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 crisis and address women's interests in their recovery plans.

*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.

**17 Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Financial Transparency) Bill 2020**

Senator Griff, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 636—That the following bill be introduced:

A Bill for an Act to amend the law in relation to financial transparency in the aged care sector, and for related purposes.

Question put and passed.

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

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

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

**18 Australian Public Service—Centrelink Service Centre—Abbotsford**

Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 637—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) there has been a dramatic increase in Australians accessing public services due to the economic and social impacts of COVID-19,
- (ii) now more than ever we need to be strengthening our public services for people who need support, not making these services more difficult to access,
- (iii) the Government intended to close the Abbotsford (Yarra) Service Centre on Thursday, 21 May 2020, but in the face of strong community objection agreed to keep it open for a further three months,
- (iv) the Government now intends to close the centre in three months, despite the landlord publicly stating Centrelink could remain on the premises and despite clear community need,
- (v) unnecessarily closing this Centrelink Service Centre will harm and inconvenience thousands of vulnerable people reliant on it, and that suggesting that people travel to a centre almost 7 km away is not only unfair, but inappropriate at a time when people in Victoria are being told to stay at home and encouraged not to use public transport, and
- (vi) on 21 May 2020, after receiving news of the imminent closure of the Abbotsford (Yarra) Service Centre, Yarra councillors passed two motions which respectively direct Yarra Council to liaise with Services Australia over possible temporary and long-term sites for a Centrelink Service Centre in Yarra; and

- (b) calls on the Government to:
  - (i) recognise the value of public services and commit to keeping the Abbotsford (Yarra) Service Centre open permanently, and
  - (ii) abandon any plans to shut down any further Centrelink service centres while Australians are experiencing the impacts of COVID-19.

*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.

## 19 **Vaccine Alliance**

Senator Pratt, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 638—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) investments in developing and deploying vaccines, and helping to strengthen health systems, can enhance global health security by reducing the incidence of, and protecting children from, preventable diseases, enabling them to live longer and healthier lives, and contributing to poverty reduction,
  - (ii) in 2000, governments of many countries, and multilateral health organisations and philanthropic organisations created Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, a public-private partnership to expand access to new and underused childhood vaccines, reduce the incidence of deadly and debilitating diseases, prevent epidemics and save lives,
  - (iii) since 2000, Gavi has supported country-led vaccine programs in 73 countries (16 of them in our region), enabled immunisation of at least 760 million children, helped avert an estimated 13 million deaths, and contributed to a 70% reduction in the number of deaths globally due to vaccine-preventable diseases,
  - (iv) Gavi has pooled vaccine demand from implementing countries — expanding the global supplier base for vaccines, enhancing the competitiveness and security of vaccine supply chains, and creating efficiencies expected to achieve an estimated \$US900 million in savings, which can help accelerate access to vaccines between 2021 and 2025, and
  - (v) in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Gavi has allowed implementing countries to reallocate up to 10% of their health support funding to domestic COVID-related needs, and has also launched COVAX, an innovative finance mechanism that will provide access to any vaccine against COVID-19 in the countries where Gavi works — an important first step in ensuring equitable access to a vaccine, and a role similar to the one Gavi played in the development and distribution of an Ebola vaccine; and
- (b) acknowledges that:
  - (i) on 4 June 2020, the United Kingdom hosted Gavi's third replenishment, the Global Vaccine Summit, with an ambitious goal to raise \$US7.4 billion in new donor commitments,

- (ii) with this renewal of resources, Gavi plans to support the immunisation of 300 million more children against potentially fatal diseases and save an additional 7 million to 8 million lives between 2021 and 2025,
- (iii) at the Summit, Australia, which has been a consistent contributor to Gavi since 2006, stepped up with a pledge of \$300 million, a 20% increase on our previous pledge, which will support improved access to vaccines throughout our region, and
- (iv) the Global Vaccine Summit raised an impressive total of US\$8.8 billion in pledges, which will save lives, reduce poverty and protect against the threat of epidemics globally over the next five years, adding to the US\$150 billion in economic benefits already derived from Gavi-supported vaccines in participating countries since 2000.

Question put and passed.

## 20 **World Haemochromatosis Week and World Blood Donor Day**

Senator Bilyk, also on behalf of Senators Sterle, Keneally, McDonald and Askew, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 639—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) 1 to 7 June 2020 was World Haemochromatosis Week, and
  - (ii) Sunday, 14 June 2020 is World Blood Donor Day;
- (b) recognises that:
  - (i) hereditary haemochromatosis, or inherited iron overload disorder, is treated through therapeutic venesection,
  - (ii) subject to Australia Red Cross Lifeblood's safety requirements, blood collected through therapeutic venesection can be donated, and
  - (iii) treating haemochromatosis not only helps patients avoid the worst outcomes of the disorder but may save further lives by adding to Australia's blood supply; and
- (c) urges all members and senators to raise awareness among their constituents that:
  - (i) haemochromatosis, if left untreated, may be debilitating and fatal,
  - (ii) being tested and treated for haemochromatosis will also benefit others, and
  - (iii) Australians should remember the mnemonic 'TEST — Tricky to say, Easy to test, Simple to treat, Tragic to ignore'.

Question put and passed.

## 21 **Australian Public Service**

Senator Gallagher, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 640—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that a strong and properly resourced public service will be critical during the COVID-19 recovery period, including:
  - (i) to continue to lead the national health response to prevent a second wave,

- (ii) to design and implement economic recovery measures, and
- (iii) to provide essential services to the community; and
- (b) calls on the Morrison Government to:
  - (i) abolish the arbitrary staffing cap, and
  - (ii) guarantee that no Australian Public Service jobs will be cut during this term of Parliament.

*Statements by leave:* The Leader of the Australian Greens in the Senate (Senator Waters) and the Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam), by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

## 22 Women in Parliament

Senator Hume, also on behalf of Senators Payne, Askew, Cash, Chandler, Davey, Fierravanti-Wells, Henderson, Hughes, McDonald, McKenzie, McMahon, Reynolds, Ruston, Stoker, Bilyk, Brockman, Brown, Dean Smith, Dodson, Faruqi, Gallagher, Green, Hanson-Young, Keneally, Kitching, Lines, Marielle Smith, McAllister, McCarthy, McGrath, O'Neill, Polley, Pratt, Rice, Seselja, Siewert, Sheldon, Urquhart, Van, Walsh, Waters and Wong, amended general business notice of motion no. 641 by leave and, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) Friday, 12 June 2020, marks the 118th anniversary of the *Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902*, which was the first step to granting all Australian women the right to vote in national elections and stand for election to Parliament,
  - (ii) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women were not able to vote until 1962, and not included in the census until the 1967 Referendum,
  - (iii) while Australia was one of the first nations to grant political rights to women, it was more than 40 years until a woman was elected into Federal Parliament – one of the longest gaps of any other nation, and
  - (iv) the *Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902* was an imperfect bill that reflects historical and not contemporary thinking; and
- (b) acknowledges:
  - (i) the courage and fortitude of the first trail blazers, including the first woman elected to the House of Representatives, Dame Enid Lyons, and the first woman elected to the Senate, Dame Dorothy Tangney, and the first Indigenous woman elected to the House of Representatives, the Honourable Linda Burney MP, and the first Indigenous woman elected to the Senate, Nova Peris, OAM, and
  - (ii) the 26 women who stood unsuccessfully for federal election before 1943, the 235 women, including those here today, who have come after, and the future generations of women who will continue in the footsteps of those who have come before.

Question put and passed.

## 23 Childcare

Senator Faruqi, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 642—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
  - (i) the Government has decided to scrap free childcare and begin forcing parents to pay expensive childcare fees again from next month,
  - (ii) this move will force many parents to reduce their work days or remove their children from care,
  - (iii) childcare is an essential service which should be universally available for everyone, and
  - (iv) the move away from free childcare will disproportionately impact women;
- (b) commends the vital and hard work of early childhood educators and care workers, who have been fighting for better wages and conditions; and
- (c) calls on the Government to invest to make childcare free permanently, with higher wages and better conditions for workers to reflect the value of what they contribute to our communities.

*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, 8

Senators—

Di Natale  
Faruqi

Hanson-Young  
Lambie

McKim  
Siewert\*

Waters  
Whish-Wilson

### NOES, 41

Senators—

Abetz  
Askew  
Bragg  
Brockman  
Canavan  
Carr  
Cash  
Chandler  
Colbeck  
Cormann  
Duniam

Fawcett  
Fierravanti-Wells  
Gallacher  
Gallagher  
Green  
Griff  
Hanson  
Henderson  
Hughes  
Hume

Kitching  
McDonald  
McKenzie  
McLachlan  
McMahon  
O'Sullivan  
Paterson  
Patrick  
Payne  
Reynolds

Roberts  
Ryan  
Scarr  
Seselja  
Sheldon  
Smith, Dean  
Stoker  
Urquhart\*  
Van  
Watt

\* Tellers

Question negatived.

## 24 HomeBuilder scheme

Senator Faruqi, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 643—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that:
- (i) the Morrison Government's HomeBuilder scheme includes grants of \$25,000 for home renovations valued between \$150,000 to \$750,000,
  - (ii) individuals can earn up to \$125,000, and couples can earn up to \$200,000, a year to be eligible for the grants, and
  - (iii) there is a huge backlog of urgent repairs needed in Australia's social housing stock; and
- (b) calls on the Government to scrap renovation grants from the HomeBuilder scheme and direct these funds towards addressing the backlog of social housing repairs and the shortfall in social housing stock.

*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, 7

Senators—

Di Natale  
Faruqi

Hanson-Young  
McKim

Siewert\*  
Waters

Whish-Wilson

NOES, 46

Senators—

Abetz  
Antic  
Askew  
Bragg  
Brockman  
Canavan  
Carr  
Cash  
Chandler  
Colbeck  
Cormann  
Davey

Duniam  
Fawcett  
Fierravanti-Wells  
Gallacher  
Gallagher  
Green  
Griff  
Hanson  
Henderson  
Hughes  
Hume  
Kitching

Lambie  
McDonald  
McKenzie  
McLachlan  
McMahon  
O'Sullivan  
Paterson  
Patrick  
Payne  
Rennick  
Reynolds

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

\* Tellers

Question negatived.

## 25 Industrial deaths

Senator O'Neill, also on behalf of Senator Bilyk, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 644—That the Senate—

- (a) recognises that:
  - (i) since the report of the Senate Education and Employment References Committee *They never came home – the framework surrounding the prevention, investigation and prosecution of industrial deaths in Australia* in late 2018, 190 workers have lost their lives in the workplace,
  - (ii) as of 4 June 2020, 78 Australian workers have died on the job this year, and
  - (iii) these preventable workplace fatalities highlight the urgent need for industrial manslaughter laws to protect workers;
- (b) congratulates the Victorian, Australian Capital Territory, Queensland and Northern Territory governments for passing comprehensive industrial manslaughter laws; and
- (c) calls on the Federal Government to act on the recommendations of the *They never came home* report, which has been gathering dust since October 2018.

*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—

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

### NOES, 27

Senators—

Abetz	Davey	McKenzie	Ruston
Askew	Duniam	McLachlan	Ryan
Bragg	Fawcett	McMahon	Scarr
Brockman	Henderson	Molan	Seselja
Canavan	Hughes	Paterson	Smith, Dean*
Colbeck	Hume	Payne	Van
Cormann	McDonald	Rennick	

\* Tellers

Question agreed to.



## 26 **JobSeeker and JobKeeper—Payments for temporary visa holders**

Senator Griff, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 645—That the Senate—

(a) notes that:

- (i) the Federal Government's \$130 billion JobKeeper package is now a \$60 billion package with an unexpected 'saving' of \$70 billion as a result of administrative error,
- (ii) the Government has so far refused to extend JobKeeper or JobSeeker to temporary visa holders – including 97,000 asylum seekers – because it expects them to support themselves, even if they have lost their jobs and cannot return to their home country,
- (iii) many temporary visa holders and asylum seekers on visas with work rights are now unemployed as a result of the pandemic and have no safety net, despite previously contributing to the economy through taxes and being self-reliant,
- (iv) poverty resulting from recent job losses has led desperate asylum seekers to turn to charities and community groups to help feed their families and pay rent,
- (v) the South Australian-based Australian Refugee Association has reported a 200% increase in demand for emergency assistance between March and May 2020,
- (vi) the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre has reported a three-fold increase in demand for its food, health and employment services since March 2020, and Welcoming Australia has also reported a more than doubling in demand for emergency relief, and
- (vii) a May survey from Settlement Services International found 82% of temporary visa holder respondents had lost jobs in the past two months or had their hours reduced and found that:
  - (A) 62% had gone without meals due to lack of money,
  - (B) 29% had sought emergency assistance from a welfare or community organisation,
  - (C) almost 80% had borrowed money from friends and family to pay for essential items, and
  - (D) 52% could not buy medicines they normally take, and
- (viii) in May, 186 charities, unions, refugee and church groups wrote an open letter to Prime Minister Morrison asking for asylum seekers and other temporary visa holders to be included in the Government's COVID-19 responses as part of the 'Nobody Left Behind' campaign; and

(b) calls on the Government to:

- (i) extend the JobSeeker payment to asylum seekers on bridging visas currently ineligible for other income support, and
- (ii) extend the JobKeeper payment to all temporary visa holders so that eligible businesses can continue to employ them.

Question put.

The Senate divided—

AYES, 10

Senators—

Di Natale  
Faruqi  
Griff\*

Hanson-Young  
Lambie  
McKim

Patrick  
Siewert

Waters  
Whish-Wilson

NOES, 38

Senators—

Abetz  
Antic  
Askew  
Bragg  
Brockman  
Cash  
Chandler  
Ciccone  
Colbeck  
Cormann

Davey  
Duniam  
Fawcett  
Gallagher  
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McLachlan  
McMahon  
Molan  
O'Sullivan  
Paterson  
Payne  
Rennick  
Roberts

Ryan  
Scarr  
Seselja  
Sheldon  
Smith, Dean  
Stoker  
Urquhart\*  
Van  
Watt

\* Tellers

Question negatived.

## 27 Indigenous deaths in custody

*Leave refused:* Senator Roberts sought leave to amend general business notice of motion no. 646 standing in his name, relating to Indigenous deaths in custody. An objection was raised and leave was not granted.

## 28 Live animal export trade

Senator McKenzie, also on behalf of Senators Canavan, Davey, McDonald and McMahon, pursuant to notice of motion not objected to as a formal motion, moved general business notice of motion no. 647—That the Senate notes the Federal Government's commitment and support for the live animal export trade.

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

*Leave refused:* Senator Roberts sought leave to move an amendment to the motion. An objection was raised and leave was not granted.

*Statements by leave:* The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) and Senators Roberts, Canavan and Watt, by leave, made statements relating to the motion.

Question put and passed.

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After 12.45 pm—

## 29 Leave of absence

Senator Urquhart, by leave, moved—That leave of absence be granted to Senator Dodson for today, for personal reasons.

Question put and passed.

**30 Health Insurance Amendment (General Practitioners and Quality Assurance) Bill 2020**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Finance, Charities and Electoral Matters (Senator Seselja)—That this bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

No amendments to the bill were circulated and no senator required that it be considered in committee.

On the motion of the Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam) the bill was read a third time.

**31 Migration Amendment (Regulation of Migration Agents) Bill 2019  
Migration Agents Registration Application Charge Amendment (Rates of Charge) Bill 2019**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries (Senator Duniam)—That these bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

*At 2 pm:* Debate was interrupted while the Minister for Families and Social Services (Senator Ruston) was speaking.

**32 Questions**

Questions without notice were answered.

*Document:* The Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) tabled the following document:

*Charter of Budget Honesty Act 1998—Statement on Australian Government debt.*

Further questions without notice were answered.

**33 Motions to take note of answers**

Senator Keneally moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians (Senator Colbeck) to a question without notice asked by Senator Kitching today relating to Australia Post.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Senator McKim moved—That the Senate take note of the answer given by the Minister for Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business (Senator Cash) to a question without notice asked by Senator McKim today relating to asylum seekers.

Question put and passed.

### 34 **Committee reports and government responses—Tabling and consideration**

Senator Davey, at the request of the chairs of the respective committees, tabled the following documents:

Budget estimates 2019-20 (Supplementary)—

Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Hansard record of proceedings, documents presented to the committee and additional information.

Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee—Documents presented to the committee and additional information.

Additional estimates 2019-20—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee—Hansard record of proceedings, documents presented to the committee and additional information.

### 35 **Documents—Orders of the day—Consideration**

The following orders of the day relating to documents were considered:

*Aged Care Act 1997*—Report for 2018-19 on the operation of the Act. Motion of Senator Polley to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Education and Employment References Committee—Report—The people behind 000: mental health of our first responders—Order of 4 December 2019—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business (Senator Cash) responding to the order, and attachment. Motion of Senator McCarthy to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

President's report to the Senate on the status of government responses to parliamentary committee reports as at 31 December 2019. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Climate change reports—Order of 12 February 2020—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), responding to the order. Motion of Senator Roberts to take note of document agreed to.

Female Facilities and Water Safety program—Order of 11 February 2020 (430)—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Youth and Sport (Senator Colbeck), responding to the order and raising public interest immunity claims, and attachments. Motion of Senator Di Natale to take note of documents called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Aboriginal Land Commissioner—Report for 2018-19. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document agreed to.

PFAS testing—Blood and genetic testing on humans and livestock—Order of 12 February 2020—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Defence (Senator Reynolds) responding to the order. Motion of Senator Roberts to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Disaster risk reduction—Ministerial statement by the Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management (Mr Littleproud). Motion of Senator Watt to take note of document agreed to.

Per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination of Defence bases—Answer to question—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann) providing information concerning a question without notice asked by Senator Roberts on 27 February 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document agreed to.

Australian Human Rights Commission—Respect@Work—National inquiry into sexual harassment in Australian workplaces 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document agreed to.

*Migration Act 1958*—Section 486O—Assessment of detention arrangements—Commonwealth Ombudsman's reports—Report nos 4 to 8 of 2020 and government responses. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of documents agreed to.

Australian Broadcasting Corporation—Emergency broadcasts—Resolutions of 5 February 2020—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Chair, Australian Broadcasting Corporation (Ms Buttrose). Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document agreed to.

*Building and Construction Industry (Improving Productivity) Act 2016*—Reports by the Commonwealth Ombudsman for the periods—1 January to 31 March 2019; 1 April to 30 June 2019; 1 July to 30 September 2019. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of documents agreed to.

Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Royal Commission—Report of case study no. 28—Catholic Church authorities in Ballarat—Unredacted; Report of case study No. 35—Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne—Unredacted; Volume 16: Book 2—Religious Institutions—Final report—Unredacted. Motion of Senator McCarthy to take note of documents agreed to.

Children's Rights Report 2019—Resolution of 12 February 2020—Letters to the President of the Senate from the Queensland Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women (Ms Farmer) and the Western Australian Minister for Child Protection (Ms McGurk). Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of documents agreed to.

Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas—Statement pursuant to the order of the Senate of 14 November 2019—March 2020. Motion of Senator McKim to take note of document agreed to.

Australia's COVID-19 health response—Ministerial statement by the Minister for Health (Mr Hunt). Motion of Senator Watt to take note of document agreed to.

Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Emergency Leave) Bill 2020—Answer to question—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians (Senator Colbeck) providing information concerning a question asked by Senator Siewert on 14 May 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Cabinet briefings by the Chief Medical Officer—Answer to question—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), providing information concerning a question without notice asked by Senator Wong on 14 May 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

JobKeeper Payment—Answer to question—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), providing information concerning a question without notice asked by Senator Keneally on 12 May 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document agreed to.

National Bushfire Recovery Agency Fund—Answer to question—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Finance (Senator Cormann), providing information concerning a question without notice asked by Senator Watt on 13 May 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Victoria Cross for Australia—Ordinary Seaman Edward ‘Teddy’ Sheean—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Defence (Senator Reynolds), correcting a statement made to the Senate on 13 May 2020. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document debated. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Death of Work for the Dole participant—Order of 22 March 2017—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business (Senator Cash), responding to the order, and attachment. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of documents called on. Debate adjourned till Thursday.

Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas—Statement pursuant to the order of the Senate of 14 November 2019—April 2020. Motion of Senator Ciccone to take note of document agreed to.

Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice—Statement pursuant to the order of the Senate of 25 June 2014—Additional estimates 2019-20—Finance portfolio. Motion of Senator Ciccone to take note of document agreed to.

### **36 Committee reports and government responses—Orders of the day—Consideration**

The following orders of the day relating to committee reports and government responses were considered:

Education and Employment References Committee—Report—Jobactive: failing those it is intended to serve—Government response. Motion of Senator Ciccone to take note of document debated. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Economics References Committee—Report—Non-conforming building products: The need for a coherent and robust regulatory regime—Government response. Motion of Senator Ciccone to take note of document agreed to.

Community Affairs References Committee—Adequacy of Newstart and related payments and alternative mechanisms to determine the level of income support payments in Australia—Report. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Implementation of the National Redress Scheme—Joint Select Committee—First interim report. Motion of Senator Dean Smith to take note of report agreed to.

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Supported independent living—Report. Motion of Senator Ciccone to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Market readiness for provision of services under the NDIS—Government response. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document agreed to.

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Report—NDIS planning interim report—Government response. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document agreed to.

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—Report—Progress report 2019—Government response. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document agreed to.

Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Legislation Amendment (Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority Board and Other Improvements) Bill 2019 [Provisions]—Government response. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document agreed to.

Education and Employment References Committee—Report—The people behind 000: mental health of our first responders—Government response. Motion of Senator Watt to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Oversight of the implementation of redress related recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse—Joint Select Committee—Report—Getting the National Redress Scheme right: An overdue step towards justice—Government response. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document agreed to.

Jobs for the Future in Regional Areas—Select Committee—Report. Motion of Senator McDonald to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

National Disability Insurance Scheme—Joint Standing Committee—NDIS planning—Interim report. Motion of Senator Brown to take note of report called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

### **37 Auditor-General's reports—Orders of the day—Consideration**

The following orders of the day relating to reports of the Auditor-General were considered:

Auditor-General—Audit report no. 23 of 2019-20—Performance audit—Award of funding under the Community Sport Infrastructure Program: Australian Sports Commission. Motion of Senator Urquhart to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Auditor-General—Audit report no. 25 of 2019-20—Performance audit—Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation targets in major procurements: Across entities. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Auditor-General—Audit report no. 29 of 2019-20—Performance audit—Regulation of charities by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission: Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission; Australian Taxation Office. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document agreed to.

Auditor-General—Audit report no. 30 of 2019-20—Performance audit—Bilateral agreement arrangements between Services Australia and other entities: Across entities. Motion of Senator Siewert to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

Auditor-General—Audit report no. 34 of 2019-20—Performance audit—Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation targets in intergovernmental agreements: Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications; National Indigenous Australians Agency. Motion of Senator McCarthy to take note of document agreed to.

Auditor-General—Audit report no. 35 of 2019-20—Performance audit—Grant program management by the Australian Renewable Energy Agency: Australian Renewable Energy Agency. Motion of Senator McCarthy to take note of document called on. Debate adjourned till the next day of sitting.

**38 Review of the Water for Fodder program—Order for production of documents—Document**

The Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) tabled the following document:

Review of the Water for Fodder program—Order of 10 June 2020—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham), dated 12 June 2020, responding to the order.

**39 Death of Ms Ann Marie Smith—Order for production of documents—Documents**

The Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) tabled the following documents:

Death of Ms Ann Marie Smith—Order of 11 June 2020—Letter to the President of the Senate from the Minister representing the Minister for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (Senator Ruston), dated 12 June 2020, responding to the order, and attachment.

**40 Warning labels on packaged alcohol—Order for production of documents—Documents**

The Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) tabled the following documents:

Warning labels on packaged alcohol—Order of 11 June 2020—Letters to the President of the Senate from the—

Minister for Aged Care and Senior Australians (Senator Colbeck), dated 12 June 2020, responding to the order, and attachments.

Minister for Families and Social Services (Senator Ruston), dated 12 June 2020, responding to the order, and attachments.



#### 41 **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 Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham), by leave, moved—That senators be discharged from and appointed to committees as follows:

##### **Northern Australia—Joint Standing Committee**

Discharged—Senator Waters

Appointed—Senator Siewert

##### **Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee**

Discharged—

Senator Watt

Participating member: Senator Green

Appointed—

Senator Green

Participating member: Senator Watt.

Question put and passed.

#### 42 **Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Amendment (APRA Industry Funding) Bill 2020**

**Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020**

**Authorised Non-operating Holding Companies Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020**

**General Insurance Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020**

**Life Insurance Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020**

**Retirement Savings Account Providers Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020**

**Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Amendment Bill 2020**

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:

Message no. 210, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Message no. 211, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions Supervisory Levy Imposition Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Message no. 212, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Authorised Non-operating Holding Companies Supervisory Levy Imposition Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Message no. 213, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *General Insurance Supervisory Levy Imposition Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Message no. 214, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Life Insurance Supervisory Levy Imposition Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Message no. 215, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Retirement Savings Account Providers Supervisory Levy Imposition Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

Message no. 216, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Superannuation Supervisory Levy Imposition Act 1998*, and for related purposes.

The Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be taken together and be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bills read a first time.

Senator Birmingham moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

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

#### 43 **Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Amendment (Prohibiting Academic Cheating Services) Bill 2019**

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

Message no. 217, dated 12 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to amend the *Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency Act 2011*, and for related purposes.

The Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) 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 Birmingham moved—That this bill be now read a second time.

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

#### 44 **Payment Times Reporting Bill 2020** **Payment Times Reporting (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2020**

Messages from the House of Representatives were reported transmitting for the concurrence of the Senate the following bills:

Message no. 206, dated 11 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to provide for certain entities to report payment terms and practices, and for related purposes.

Message no. 207, dated 11 June 2020—A Bill for an Act to deal with consequential matters arising from the enactment of the *Payment Times Reporting Act 2020*, and for related purposes.

The Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment (Senator Birmingham) moved—That these bills may proceed without formalities, may be taken together and be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bills read a first time.

Senator Birmingham moved—That these bills be now read a second time.

*Consideration of legislation:* Pursuant to order, the debate was adjourned till the day fixed for the Education and Employment Legislation Committee to report on the bills, 30 July 2020.

**45 Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment (Enhancing Australia's Anti-Doping Capability) Bill 2019**

A message from the House of Representatives was reported agreeing to the amendment made by the Senate to the following bill:

Message no. 208, dated 12 June 2020—Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment (Enhancing Australia's Anti-Doping Capability) Bill 2019.

*General business was called on.*

**46 Coronavirus economic support recovery**

Senator Siewert, pursuant to notice, moved general business notice of motion no. 654—That the Senate—

- (a) notes that the Australian Greens have introduced the Coronavirus Economic Support and Recovery (No-one Left Behind) Bill 2020, which is a Bill for an Act to provide for a coronavirus economic support and recovery fund, amend the law relating to social security and expand eligibility for the JobKeeper scheme, and for related purposes; and
- (b) calls on the Government to:
  - (i) make sure that no-one is left behind by the coronavirus health and economic crisis,
  - (ii) expand the COVID-19 supplement to recipients of the Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment,
  - (iii) expand JobSeeker to people on temporary visas,
  - (iv) expand the JobKeeper scheme to include:
    - (A) all casual employees,
    - (B) employees who hold temporary visas,
    - (C) intermittent workers,
    - (D) higher education providers, and
    - (E) entities owned by foreign governments who are resident in Australia, and
  - (v) invest in:
    - (A) a \$2.3 billion recovery package for the arts and entertainment sector,
    - (B) a \$12 billion manufacturing fund,
    - (C) a \$6 billion electricity transmission fund, and
    - (D) a \$2 billion grant to the Australian Renewable Energy Agency.

Debate ensued.

*At 5.30 pm:* Debate was interrupted.

**47 Adjournment**

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

Debate ensued.

The Senate adjourned at 5.57 pm till Monday, 15 June 2020 at 10 am.

**48 Attendance**

Present, all senators except Senators Brown\*, Dodson\*, Polley\*, Marielle Smith\*, Rice\* and Steele-John\* (\*on leave).

**RICHARD PYE**  
Clerk of the Senate