



DEPARTMENT
OF THE SENATE

Influencing legislators – the view from inside a Senate committee

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How busy?

	MONTH	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun	School Holidays	
		22	23	24	25	26 Australia Day	27/28		
A U T U M N	January	29 (1)	30 (2)	31	1 (3)	2 (2)	3/4	ACT, NSW, SA, NT, TAS, VIC, WA	
		5	6	7	8	9 (2)	10/11	ACT, NSW(W), TAS	
	February	12	13 <	14	15	16 (2)	17/18		
		19	20 (1)	21 (1)	22 (2)	23 (1)	24/25		
		26 H/AE	27 H/AE	28 H/AE	1 H/AE	2 AE	3/4		
	March	5 P/H WA (2)	6 (5)	7 (3)	8	9	10/11		
		12 (1) P/H Vic, SA, ACT, Tas	13 (1)	14 (4)	15 (3)	16	17/18		
		19 S	20 S	21 S	22 S	23 (1)	24/25		
		26 >	27	28	29	30 Good Friday	31/1		
	April	2 Easter Monday	3 (1)	4 (1)	5 (1)	6	7/8	QLD, VIC	
		9 (1)	10 (2)	11 (3)	12 (1)	13	14/15	QLD, VIC	
		16	17 (3)	18 (2)	19	20	21/22	ACT, NSW, SA, WA, TAS, NT	
		23 (1)	24 (2)	25 Anzac Day	26 (1)	27	28/29	ACT, NSW, SA, WA, TAS	
		30 (1)	1 (1)	2 (2)	3	4 (1)	5/6		
	W I N T E R	May	7 P/H NT, Qld	8 Budget	9 <	10	11 (2)	12/13	
			14 (1)	15 (1)	16	17 (1)	18 (1)	19/20	
21 H/BE			22 H/BE	23 H/BE	24 H/BE	25 BE	26/27		
28 P/H ACT			29 H/BE	30 H/BE	31 H/BE	1 BE + (1)	2/3		
June		4 (2) P/H WA	5 BE + (2)	6 (1)	7 (1)	8 (1)	9/10		
		11 P/H ACT, SA, NSW, Vic, Tas, NT	12 (2)	13 (2)	14 (3)	15	16/17		
		18	19	20	21	22	23/24		
		25	26 <	27	28	29 (1)	30/1		
July	2	3 (1)	4 (2)	5 (4)	6 (3)	7/8	NT, QLD, VIC, WA		
	9 (3)	10 (3)	11 (1)	12 (1)	13	14/15	All States and Territories		
	16	17 (2)	18 (1)	19 (2)	20 (2)	21/22	ACT, NSW, NT, SA, TAS		
	23 (1)	24 (1)	25 (1)	26	27	28/29			
S P R I N G	August	30 (2)	31 (2)	1 (3)	2 (3)	3 (2)	4/5		
		6 P/H NT (1)	7 (4)	8 (1)	9 (1)	10 (2)	11/12		
		13	14	15	16	17 (4)	18/19		
	September	20	21	22	23	24 (2)	25/26		
		27 (1)	28 (3)	29 (5)	30 (4)	31 (2)	1/2		
		3 (2)	4 (4)	5 (5)	6 (2)	7 (1)	8/9		
		10	11	12 <	13	14 (2)	15/16		
	October	17	18	19	20	21 (4)	22/23		
		24 P/H WA	25 (1)	26	27 (1)	28	29/30	QLD, VIC, WA	
		1 P/H ACT, NSW, Qld, SA	2	3 (1)	4	5	6/7	All States and Territories	
8 (2)		9 (1)	10 (2)	11 (1)	12	13/14	ACT, NSW, NT, SA, TAS		
15		16	17 <	18	19 (2)	20/21			
22 H/SBE		23 H/SBE	24 H/SBE	25 H/SBE	26 SBE + (3)	27/28			
29 (2)		30 (2)	31 (2)	1 (2)	2 (3)	3/4			
November	5 P/H Tas (2)	6 P/H Vic	7 (4)	8 (3)	9	10/11			
	12 S	13 S	14 S	15 S	16 (4)	17/18			
		19 (3)	20 (3)	21 (0)	22	23	24/25		

Committees 2018 - by the numbers

150 inquiries (70 simultaneously)

125 days of hearings

346 individual hearings

7236 submissions

76 senators

Inside an inquiry

Sex Discrimination Amendment (Removing Discrimination Against Students) Bill 2018

6 Dec	referred
21 Jan	subs closed
	1091 submissions accepted
	10,000+ pieces of correspondence
6/7 Feb	Public hearings
11 Feb	Draft report to committee
12 Feb	Ready for tabling