

DRAFT LEGISLATION PROGRAM FOR THE SENATE
2026 SPRING SITTINGS OF PARLIAMENT: WEEK 4 (14 – 17 SEPTEMBER)

 **PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS AN INDICATIVE PROGRAM AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE** 

Monday 14 September

10.00am	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Government Business</i> - Regulatory Reform Omnibus Bill 2026 - Major Sporting Events (Indicia and Images) Protection Amendment Bill 2026 - Wage Justice for Early Childhood Education and Care Workers (Special Account) (Extending Support and Strengthening Safety) Bill 2026#* - Customs Amendment (Safeguard Inquiries) Bill 2026
1.30pm	2 Minute Statements
2.00pm	Questions / Motions to take note of answers / Petitions / Notices of motion / Condolence / Placing of business / Discovery of formal business / MPI or urgency motion / Consideration of documents tabled / Ministerial statements / Committee memberships / Messages from the House of Representatives <i>Order of Business (continued)</i>
8.00pm	Adjournment (30 minutes)

Tuesday, 15 September

12.00pm	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Government Business</i> - Health Legislation Amendment (Improving Choice and Transparency for Private Health Consumers) Bill 2026 - Health Insurance Amendment (Incentive Payments and Other Measures) Bill 2026 - Therapeutic Goods Amendment (Medicines Shortages and Other Measures) Bill 2026 - Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Bill 2026 - Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Technical Changes No. 2) Bill 2026#
1.30pm	2 Minute Statements
2.00pm	Questions / Motions to take note of answers / Petitions / Notices of motion / Placing of business / Discovery of formal business / MPI or urgency motion / Consideration of documents / Tabling and consideration of committee reports / Ministerial statements / Committee memberships / Messages from the House of Representatives <i>Order of Business (continued)</i>
7.30pm	Adjournment (No time limit)

Wednesday, 16 September

9.00am	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Consideration of Private Senators' Bills</i> A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Amendment (No Jab No Pay Repeal) Bill 2025
10.10am	<i>Government Business</i> - Defence Legislation Amendment (RCDVS Implementation and Related Measures No. 2) Bill 2026 - Defence Force Discipline Amendment (RCDVS Implementation and Related Measures No. 1) Bill 2026 - Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2025

	• Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Universal Outdoor Mobile Obligation) Bill 2026# • Universities Accord (Opening the Doors of Opportunity) Bill 2026
12.15pm	Senators' statements
1.30pm	2 Minute Statements
2.00pm	Questions / Motions to take note of answers / Petitions / Notices of motion / Placing of business / Discovery of formal business / MPI or urgency motion / Consideration of documents / Tabling and consideration of committee reports / Ministerial statements / Committee memberships / Messages from the House of Representatives
	<i>Order of Business (continued)</i>
5.00pm	<i>First speech – Senator Chris Gatenby (LP, Tasmania)</i>
	<i>Order of Business (continued)</i>
7.30pm	Adjournment (30 minutes)

Thursday, 17 September

9.00am	Authorisations for committees to meet
	<i>Consideration of Private Senators' Bills</i> • To be confirmed [Jacqui Lambie Network]
10.10am	<i>Government Business</i> • Knox Class Action (Facilitation) Bill 2026#* • Administrative and Judicial Review Legislation Amendment Bill 2026 • Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aged Care Commissioner and Other Measures) Bill 2026#*
11.15am	Petitions / Notices of motion / Placing of business / Discovery of formal business / Committee memberships / Messages from the House of Representatives
	<i>Government Business</i>
12.15pm	<i>(Non-controversial Government Business – to be confirmed)</i>
1.30pm	2 Minute Statements
2.00pm	Questions / Motions to take note / Tabling and consideration of committee reports / Consideration of documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General's reports / Ministerial statements / General business debate
5.30pm	Adjournment (30 minutes)

subject to introduction in the Senate

* subject to exemption from the bills cut-off order

^ subject to tabling of committee report

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Please note that other high-priority bills may be programmed for debate as required during the sittings