

DRAFT LEGISLATION PROGRAM FOR THE SENATE
2026 WINTER SITTINGS OF PARLIAMENT: WEEK 1 (12 – 14 MAY)
PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS AN INDICATIVE PROGRAM AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Tuesday, 12 May

12.00pm	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Government Business</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address-in-Reply • Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility Amendment Bill 2026 • Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2025 • Health Legislation Amendment (Prescribing of Pharmaceutical Benefits) Bill 2025
1.30pm	2 Minute Statements
2.00pm	Questions / Motions to take note of answers / Petitions / Notices of motion / Placing of business / Condolence / 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>
6.30pm	Suspension
8.30pm	Budget statement and documents 2026-27 Adjournment (No debate)

Wednesday, 13 May

9.00am	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Consideration of Private Senators' Bills</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Tackling the Gender Super Gap) Bill 2025
10.10am	<i>Government Business</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competition and Consumer Amendment (Responding to Exceptional Circumstances) Bill 2026#* • Treasury Laws Amendment (Financial Reporting System Reform) Bill 2026 • Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment (Omnibus No. 1) 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>
7.30pm	Adjournment (30 minutes)

Thursday, 14 May

9.00am	Authorisations for committees to meet <i>Consideration of Private Senators' Bills</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TBC [Australian Greens]
10.10am	<i>Government Business</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Secrecy Provisions Amendment (Sunsetting Provision) Bill 2026#• Export Control Amendment (Clarifying Obligations Relating to Registered Establishments) Bill 2026• Treasury Laws Amendment (The Survivors Law) Bill 2026• Customs Legislation Amendment (False Trade Marks Infringement Notices) Bill 2026• Public and Educational Lending Rights (Better Income for Authors) Bill 2026#• Public and Educational Lending Rights (Better Income for Authors) Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions Bill 2026#
11.30am	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 approx.	Suspension
8.00pm approx.	Budget statement and documents – party leaders and independent senators in reply 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