

DRAFT LEGISLATION PROGRAM FOR THE SENATE
2026 SPRING SITTINGS OF PARLIAMENT: WEEK 1 (11 – 13 AUGUST)

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

Tuesday, 11 August

12.00pm	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Government Business</i> - Crimes and Other Legislation Amendment (Omnibus No. 1) Bill 2026 - Customs Tariff Amendment (Incorporation of Proposals) Bill (No. 1) 2026 - Regulatory Reform Omnibus 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, 12 August

9.00am	Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet <i>Consideration of Private Senators' Bills</i> To be confirmed [Opposition]
10.10am	<i>Government Business</i> - Cash Distribution Framework Bill 2026#^ Cash Distribution Framework (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2026#^ - Major Sporting Events (Indicia and Images) Protection Amendment Bill 2026 - Health Legislation Amendment (Improving Choice and Transparency for Private Health Consumers) 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 approx.	Valedictory statement (Senator Whish-Wilson) <i>Order of Business (continued)</i>
7.30pm	Adjournment (30 minutes)

Thursday, 13 August

9.00am	Authorisations for committees to meet <i>Consideration of Private Senators' Bills</i> Extended Producer Responsibility Scheme for Packaging (No Time to Waste) Bill 2026
10.10am	<i>Government Business</i> - Secrecy Provisions Amendment (Repealing Offences) Bill 2026 - Australian Security Intelligence Organisation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2025 - Telecommunications Amendment (Enhancing Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2025
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