**DRAFT LEGISLATION PROGRAM FOR THE SENATE**

**2025 SPRING SITTINGS OF PARLIAMENT: WEEK 2 (28 – 31 JULY)**

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

Monday, 28 July

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| 10.00am | Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet*Government Business* * Health Legislation Amendment (Improved Medicare Integrity and Other Measures) Bill 2025
* Universities Accord (National Higher Education Code to Prevent and Respond to Gender-based Violence) Bill 2025

Universities Accord (National Higher Education Code to Prevent and Respond to Gender-based Violence) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2025* Address-in-Reply
 |
| 1.30pm | 2 Minute Statements / 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  |
|  | *Order of Business (continued)* |
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| 5.00pm | *First speech—Senator Michelle Ananada‑Rajah (ALP, Victoria)* |
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| 8.00pm | Adjournment (30 minutes) |

Tuesday, 29 July

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| 12.00pm | Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet |
|  | *Government Business** Universities Accord (Cutting Student Debt by 20 Per Cent) Bill 2025#\*
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| 1.30pm | 2 Minute Statements / 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/ Tabling and consideration of committee reports / Ministerial statements / Committee memberships / Messages from the House of Representatives |
|  | *Order of Business (continued)* |
| 5.00pm | *First speech—Senator Tyron Whitten (Pauline Hanson’s One Nation, WA)* |
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| 7.30pm | Adjournment (No time limit) |

Wednesday, 30 July

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| 9.00am | Documents presented / Authorisations for Committees to meet |
|  | *Consideration of Private Senators’ Bills** [Opposition]
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| 10.10am | *Government Business** Early Childhood Education and Care (Strengthening Regulation of Early Education) Bill 2025#\*
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| 12.15pm | Senators’ statements |
| 1.30pm | 2 Minute Statements / 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 |
|  | *Order of Business (continued)* |
| 5.00pm | *First speeches** *Senator Josh Dolega (Tas, ALP)*
* *Senator Jessica Collins (NSW, Liberal)*
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| 7.30pm | Adjournment (30 minutes) |

Thursday, 31 July

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| 9.00am | Authorisations for committees to meet |
|  | *Consideration of Private Senators’ Bills** [Jacqui Lambie Network]
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| 10:10am | *Government Business* * Defence Housing Australia Amendment Bill#\*
* Fair Work Amendment (Protecting Penalty and Overtime Rates) Bill 2025#\*
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| 11.15am | Petitions / Notices of motion / Placing of business / Discovery of formal business / Committee memberships / Messages from the House of Representatives |
|  | *Government Business*  |
| 12.15pm | *(Non-controversial legislation – to be confirmed)* |
| 1.30pm | 2 Minute Statements / 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*