



Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 21 June 2010

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 10.27 pm

Legislation

[For bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (Research and Development) Bill 2010 and a related bill [passed by the House of Representatives on 17 June 2010]

The following bills were debated

- ❑ Family Assistance and Other Legislation Amendment (Child Care and Other Measures) Bill 2010—second reading debate commenced [[first speaker](#)]
- ❑ Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2010 and 2 related bills—second reading agreed to [[first speaker](#)] [details of the bills will be considered on a future sitting day]

The following bills were passed

- ❑ Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Recreational Fishing for Mako and Porbeagle Sharks) Bill 2010—1 Australian Greens [second reading amendment](#) agreed to [expressing a view about the policy of the bill] [The bill will now be assented to]
- ❑ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform and Reinstatement of Racial Discrimination Act) Bill 2009 [The bill will now be assented to]

Notices of motion

A [notice of motion](#) was given by Senator Parry to give precedence to the Wild Rivers (Environmental Management) Bill 2010 [No. 2] on 23 June 2010, and varying the order of business on 24 June 2010.

To enable bills to be considered together

- ❑ Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (2010 Budget Measures) Bill 2010
Veterans' Entitlements Amendment (Income Support Measures) Bill 2010
—notice given by the Special Minister of State (Senator Ludwig)

Message from the House of Representatives

- Tax Laws Amendment (2010 Measures No. 2) Bill 2010—agreeing to the amendments made by the Senate [The bill will now be assented to]

See **Committees** for details of reports relating to legislation

Committees

[For scheduled public committee hearings](#)

[For committee reports](#)

Reports tabled

Report on legislation

- [Preventing the Misuse](#) of Government Advertising Bill 2010—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee [a motion to take note of the report was debated – [first speaker](#)]

Other reports

- National Capital and External Territories Joint Committee—2009 New Zealand parliamentary committee exchange, 24 August to 27 August 2009 [a motion to take note of the report was agreed to]
- Public Works Joint Committee—[2nd report of 2010](#)—Referrals made February to March 2010 [a [motion](#) to take note of the report was debated and agreed to]

Documents tabled

- Tax Laws Amendment (Research and Development) Bill 2010 and a related bill—Economics Legislation Committee—Additional information

Reporting dates extended

The Senate extended reporting dates for the following inquiries:

- Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee—Administration and effectiveness of the Green Loans Program—to report by 6 August 2010
- Finance and Public Administration References Committee—COAG reforms relating to health and hospitals—to report by 23 June 2010

Notices of motion given

To extend reporting deadlines

- Agricultural and Related Industries Select Committee—Incidence and severity of bushfires across Australia—to report by 13 August 2010
- Community Affairs Legislation Committee—Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2009 and the Protecting Problem Gamblers Bill 2009—to report by 28 October 2010
- Community Affairs References Committee—New therapeutic groups under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme—to report by 26 August 2010
- Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee—Energy Efficient Homes Package—to report by 24 June 2010

- Reform of the Australian Federation Select Committee—to report by 17 November 2010

To refer matters to a committee

- [Matters](#) relating to Industry Skills Councils—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee—to report by 30 September 2010

Membership

The Senate appointed Senator Ludlam as a member of the Reform of the Australian Federation Select Committee.

Documents

Delegated legislation

See [Disallowance Alert](#) for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

- [Clerk's documents](#) were tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

Notice of motion to disallow given

Senator Xenophon gave a [notice of motion](#) to disallow the Aviation Transport Security Amendment Regulations 2010 (no. 1) [[homepage](#)].

Orders for the production of documents

[Notices of motion](#) given

The following notices of motion were given requiring Ministers to table documents:

- Minister representing the Minister for Environment Protection, Heritage and the Arts (Senator Wong) to table documents relating to a study in estimating consumers' willingness to pay for improvements in packaging and beverage container waste management—no later than 9.30 pm on 24 June 2010—notice given by Senator Ludlam
- Minister representing the Prime Minister (Senator Evans) to table a copy of the report prepared by the Energy Efficiency task force—no later than noon on 23 June 2010—notice given by Senator Birmingham
- Special Minister of State (Senator Ludwig) to table documents relating to the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies—no later than 2.00 pm on 23 June 2010—notice given by Senator Ronaldson

Documents tabled

- [A petition](#)

