



Senate Daily Summary

31 October 2000

The Senate met from 2.00pm until 7.57pm

Legislation

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The following bill was introduced in the Senate

Job Network Monitoring Authority Bill 2000 [No. 2]—Senator Collins [Private senator's bill]

The following bills were considered

Financial Sector Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000—committee of the whole commenced—1 Government amendment agreed to; 1 Opposition amendment moved
Health Legislation Amendment (Minimum Proficiency Requirements for Medical Practitioners) Bill 2000—This bill was created when the Senate agreed to a motion moved by Senator Lees to instruct the committee of the whole to divide the Health Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 4) 1999 into two separate bills. The Senate also agreed to two other motions moved by Senator Lees: to amend the new bill and to postpone further consideration of the bill until the first day of sitting in June 2001

The following bills were passed

Without requests

Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Specimen Collection Centres) Tax Bill 1999 [This bill will now be assented to]

With amendments

Health Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 4) 1999—This bill was divided into two (*see* the section on the consideration of bills, above). The remainder of the original bill was passed with 13 Government and 3 Opposition amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

Notices of motion given

To exempt bills from certain provisions of standing order 111

[to enable consideration this period of sittings]

National Crime Authority Amendment Bill 2000 (No. 2)

To introduce a bill

Auditor of Parliamentary Allowances and Entitlements Bill 2000—Senator Faulkner

[Private senator's bill]

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

Committees

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Notices of motion given

To hold a public meeting when the Senate is sitting

□ Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—7 November 2000 from 6.30pm to 8.00pm

To extend reporting deadlines

□ Developments in contemporary Japan and the implications for Australia—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—last sitting day in February 2001

□ Economic, social and political conditions in East Timor—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—7 December 2000

Delegated legislation

[For a complete list of notices of motion to disallow \(and outcomes\) click here ►](#)

Notice of motion given

A notice of motion was given to disallow item [4108] of Schedule 4 of the Migration Amendment Regulations 2000 (No. 5), as contained in Statutory Rules 2000 No. 259 and made under the *Migration Act 1958* and the *Migration Reform Act 1992*—next sitting day—by Senator McKiernan

Notices of motion withdrawn

[Notices of motion](#) to disallow five instruments were withdrawn

See the **Documents** section for details of instruments tabled

Motions agreed to

The Senate *agreed* to motions without debate about:

- [Aboriginal deaths in custody](#)—moved by Senator Ridgeway
- [Logging in national parks](#)—moved by Senator Brown

Notices of motion

[For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere click here ►](#)

Orders for the return of documents

Notice of motion given

□ Senator Faulkner gave a notice of motion to require the Special Minister of State to table a copy of a note handwritten by the officer of the Department of Finance and Administration who took the telephone call from a Telstra officer expressing concern about the usage of the Commonwealth Telecard issued to the Minister for Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers on 2 November 2000)

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- [Clerk's documents](#) (disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled)
- [Government documents](#)
- Joint House Department–Annual Report 1999-2000

Petitions

[A petition](#) was tabled

Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Adjournment debate
- Government documents were further discussed

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