

Senate Daily Summary

Thursday, 30 September 2010

The Senate met from 9.30 am until 7.12 pm

<u>The Senate</u> will meet again on 25 October 2010. Senate committees will meet from 18 to 21 October to consider <u>supplementary budget estimates</u>.

Legislation

For bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bill was introduced

□ Native Title Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2010 [Senate bill]

The following private senators' bills were introduced

- □ Alcohol Toll Reduction Bill 2010
- Banking Amendment (Delivering Essential Financial Services) Bill 2010
- Commonwealth Electoral (Above-the-Line Voting) Amendment Bill 2010
- Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2010
- Drink Container Recycling Bill 2010
- Environment Protection (Beverage Container Deposit and Recovery Scheme) Bill 2010
- □ Fair Work Amendment (Paid Parental Leave) Bill 2010
- □ Food Safety (Trans Fats) Bill 2010
- □ Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Palm Oil) Bill 2010
- □ National Integrity Commissioner Bill 2010
- □ Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2010
- Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising (Broadcasting Amendment) Bill 2010
- □ Responsible Takeaway Alcohol Hours Bill 2010
- Special Broadcasting Service Amendment (Prohibition of Disruptive Advertising) Bill 2010
- **Generations Reparations Tribunal Bill 2010**
- □ Transport Safety Investigation Amendment (Incident Reports) Bill 2010
- □ Water (Crisis Powers and Floodwater Diversion) Bill 2010

The following private senator's bills were restored to the Notice Paper

- □ Choice of Repairer Bill 2010
- Keeping Jobs from Going Offshore (Protection of Personal Information) Bill 2009 [2010]
- Plain Tobacco Packaging (Removing Branding from Cigarette Packs) Bill 2009 [2010]
- Dever Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008 [2010]

Committees

For scheduled <u>public committee hearings</u> For <u>committee reports</u>

Estimates

Additional information arising from estimates hearings was tabled.

New inquiries

Selection of Bills Committee report

The Senate adopted <u>report no. 11</u> of the Selection of Bills Committee, and made the following references:

- Airports Amendment Bill 2010–Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–to report by 16 November 2010
- Australian Civilian Corps Bill 2010–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–to report by 17 November 2010
- Autonomous Sanctions Bill 2010–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–to report by 18 November 2010
- Aviation Crimes and Policing Legislation Amendment Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 16 November 2010
- Civil Dispute Resolution Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 22 November 2010
- Commonwealth Commissioner for Children and Young People Bill 2010– Community Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by the last sitting day in May 2011
- Corporations Amendment (No. 1) Bill 2010–Economics Legislation Committee– to report by 16 November 2010
- Corporations Amendment (Sons of Gwalia) Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 18 November 2010
- Crimes Legislation Amendment Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 17 November 2010
- Defence Legislation Amendment (Security of Defence Premises) Bill 2010– Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–to report by 16 November 2010
- Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Bill 2010 and a related bill–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 23 November 2010
- National Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2010–Environment and Communications Legislation Committee–to report by 16 November 2010

- National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Bill 2010– Community Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 16 November 2010
- National Health and Hospitals Network Bill 2010–Community Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by 18 November 2010
- Radiocommunications Amendment Bill 2010–Environment and Communications Legislation Committee–to report by 17 November 2010
- Sex and Age Discrimination Legislation Amendment Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–to report by the third sitting day of 2011
- Telecommunications Interception and Intelligence Services Legislation Amendment Bill 2010–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee– to report by 24 November 2010

Other references

- Interactive and online gambling–Community Affairs References Committee–to report by 18 November 2010
- <u>Matters</u> relating to pilot experience requirements and training–Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee–to report by 17 November 2010

Reports relating to inquiries of the 42nd Parliament

The Senate agreed to <u>recommendations by various committees</u> to readopt certain inquiries not disposed of at the end of the 42nd Parliament.

Appointment of select committee

The Senate agreed to appoint the Scrutiny of New Taxes Select Committee [see Journals entries nos $\underline{21}$ and $\underline{49}$].

Membership

- □ The Senate agreed to the appointment of members to committees [see Journals entries nos <u>33</u>, <u>43</u> and <u>48</u>].
- Messages from the House of Representatives were reported informing the Senate of resolutions <u>re-establishing joint committees</u>. The Senate agreed with the resolutions.

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]

Orders for the production of documents

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to three orders, requiring documents relating to the Government's proposed mining tax proposals to be tabled by 5.00 pm on 30 September 2010 [see Journals entries nos <u>18</u>, <u>19</u> and <u>20</u>].

Motion defeated

A <u>motion</u> moved by Senator Siewert requiring the Minister representing the Minister for Resources and Energy (Senator Sherry) to table the report of the Montara Commission of Inquiry was defeated.

Document tabled

- □ Statement relating to the Henry Tax Review. [The statement was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on <u>29 September 2010</u>]
- □ Statement relating to mining tax arrangements. [The statement was tabled in response to the order of the Senate agreed to on <u>30 September 2010</u>]

Orders with continuing effect

Departmental and agency grants

A letter of advice for the Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority was tabled [Lists of all grants approved are <u>required to be tabled</u> 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

Unproclaimed legislation

A document was tabled showing details of unproclaimed Acts, together with a statement of reasons for non-proclamation and a timetable for their operation [Standing order 139(2) requires tabling before 31 August each year]

Documents tabled

- □ Auditor-General–<u>Audit reports</u> nos 10 and 11 of 2010-11
- Impacts of the new job seeker compliance framework–Report of the independent review
- □ <u>2 petitions</u>

Documents discussed

Government documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General's reports were discussed

Other business

Questions without notice and issues arising during question time-<u>first question</u> Adjournment debate-<u>first speaker</u>

Motion agreed to

□ <u>Processing of asylum applications</u>-moved by Senator Cash

Motions negatived

- □ <u>Angela Pamela uranium mine</u>-moved by Senator Ludlam
- <u>Australian Building and Construction Commission</u>-moved by the Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (Senator Abetz)
- □ <u>Campaign</u> for the establishment of a United Nations parliamentary assembly– moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Bob Brown)

 <u>Compulsory acquisition of land</u> at James Price Point, Western Australia–moved by Senator Siewert

Motion debated

<u>Election commitments</u>-Carbon tax-moved by Senator Fifield [first speaker]

Address-in-reply

Debate continued on the Address-in-reply to the Governor-General's speech. [first speaker]

Advisory Council on Australian Archives

Senator Faulkner was elected as a member of the Advisory Council on Australian Archives for a period of 3 years, in place of Senator Lundy.

Notice of motion

<u>A notice of motion</u> given today is available in the Senate Journals.

Statistics

Statistics on the work of the Senate this week will be available in the <u>Statistical</u> <u>Summary</u>, which forms part of <u>StatsNet</u>–the Department of the Senate's online statistical collection.

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