

This week at a glance 22 to 25 February 2010

On the first day of each sitting week the Senate Daily Summary outlines the business scheduled for consideration in the Senate. On subsequent days, it provides a convenient summary of the previous day's proceedings in the Senate, with links to official Senate records.

Another document useful in tracking the business of the Senate is the Dynamic Red, which records proceedings in the Senate as they happen.

Legislation

Bills and related documents available on BillsNet <www.aph.gov.au/bills/index.htm>

Bills to be considered

The government has scheduled bills for debate this week, as follows:

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- □ Crimes Amendment (Working With Children—Criminal History) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives Bill 2009 [No. 2] [homepage] Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Bill 2009 [No. 2] [homepage] Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2009 [No. 2] [homepage]
- ☐ Trade Practices Amendment (Australian Consumer Law) Bill 2009
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- □ Australian National Preventive Health Agency Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Foreign Evidence Amendment Bill 2008 [homepage]
- □ Health Legislation Amendment (Midwives and Nurse Practitioners) Bill 2009 [homepage]

Midwife Professional Indemnity (Commonwealth Contribution) Scheme Bill 2009 [homepage]

Midwife Professional Indemnity (Run-off Cover Support Payment) Bill 2009 [homepage]

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- □ Australian Centre for Renewable Energy Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Native Title Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009 [homepage]
- □ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support for Students) Bill 2009 [No. 2] [homepage]

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- □ Australian Astronomical Observatory Bill 2009 [homepage]
 Australian Astronomical Observatory (Transitional Provisions) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Aviation Transport Security Amendment (2009 Measures No. 2) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ International Tax Agreements Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009 [homepage]
- □ National Health Security Amendment (Background Checking) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Measures No. 6) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2009 [homepage]

Source: http://www.dpmc.gov.au/parliamentary/index.cfm

Committees

For scheduled public committee hearings click here

Report presented out of sitting to be tabled on 22 February 2010

□ Public Works Joint Committee–Unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings and evidence

Reports due to be tabled this week

Reports on legislation

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- □ Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment Bill 2009–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
- □ Native Title Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

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□ Do Not Call Register Legislation Amendment Bill 2009–Environment, Communications and the Arts Legislation Committee

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- □ Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2008 [No. 2]–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
- □ Occupational Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2009– Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Measures No. 6) Bill 2009–Economics Legislation Committee
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (Confidentiality of Taxpayer Information) Bill 2009– Economics Legislation Committee
- □ Textile, Clothing and Footwear Strategic Investment Program Amendment (Building Innovative Capability) Bill 2009–Economics Legislation Committee

Other reports

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□ Legislation Committees—Reports on the 2009-10 additional estimates

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- ☐ Hearing health in Australia—Community Affairs References Committee
- ☐ Import restrictions on beef—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
- □ Security challenges facing Papua New Guinea and the island states of the southwest Pacific–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee

Proposed reference

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□ Matters relating to the Church of Scientology–Community Affairs References Committee–to report by 18 March 2010

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 Matters relating to the Government's response to Australian citizens who are kidnapped and held for ransom overseas-Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee-to report by 13 May 2010

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□ Matters relating to interactive and online gambling—Community Affairs References Committee—to report by 14 May 2010

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Online

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It is issued by the Senate Table Office as a convenient summary of each day's proceedings in the Senate. For a complete account see the official record, the *Journals of the Senate*, on the Internet at http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/pubs/index.htm.

Related resources

The *Order of Business* (or 'Senate Red') and the *Dynamic Red* (which updates the *Order of Business* throughout the sitting day) are also available on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

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