



Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 16 November 2010

The Senate met from 12.30 pm until 8.27 pm

Legislation

For [bills and related documents](#)

Bills considered

The following private senators' bill was introduced

- ❑ Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling—Genetically Modified Material) Bill 2010

The following bill was debated

- ❑ Australian National Preventive Health Agency Bill 2010—second reading agreed to [[first speaker](#)] and committee of the whole commenced—[2 Opposition amendments](#) to be determined [further amendments remain to be considered]

The following bill was passed

- ❑ Social Security Legislation Amendment (Connecting People with Jobs) Bill 2010 [The bill will now be assented to]

Motion negatived

A motion moved by Senator Nash to suspend standing orders to provide for the consideration of the Social Security Amendment (Income Support for Regional Students) Bill 2010 and message no. 38 from the House of Representatives concerning criteria for independent youth allowance was debated and negatived [[first speaker](#)].

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

Committees

For [scheduled public committee hearings](#)
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Reports tabled

- ❑ Aviation Crimes and Policing Legislation Amendment Bill 2010—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee [[report](#)]

- ❑ Corporations Amendment (No. 1) Bill 2010–Economics Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#)
- ❑ National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Bill 2010–Community Affairs Legislation Committee [\[report\]](#)

New inquiry

The Senate referred [matters](#) relating to the Australian film and literature classification scheme to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee to report by 30 June 2011.

Meetings during the sitting of the Senate

The Senate authorised the following meetings to be held while the Senate is sitting:

- ❑ Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee–18 November 2010 from 11.30 am–private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1)
- ❑ Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee–25 November 2010 from 5.00 pm–Exposure drafts of Australian privacy amendment legislation
- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–16 November 2010 from 1.30 pm–private meeting otherwise than in accordance with standing order 33(1)
- ❑ National Capital and External Territories Joint Committee–17 November 2010 from 12.30 pm to 2.00 pm–public meeting

Reporting dates extended

The Senate extended reporting dates for the following inquiries:

- ❑ Environment and Communications Legislation Committee–National Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2010–to report by 17 November 2010
- ❑ Environment and Communications References Committee–Adequacy of protections for the privacy of Australians online–to report by the second sitting day of the second sitting week in March 2011
- ❑ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–to report by the last day of the second sitting week in February 2011–
 - Defence Legislation Amendment (Security of Defence Premises) Bill 2010
 - Autonomous Sanctions Bill 2010
- ❑ Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–Airports Amendment Bill 2010–to report by 17 November 2010

Notices of motion given

To extend reporting deadlines

- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Bill 2010 and a related bill–to report by 7 December 2010
- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Affairs References Committee–
 - Donor conception practices in Australia–to report by the Wednesday of the first sitting week in February 2011
 - Review of government compensation schemes–to report by 6 December 2010

- ❑ Reform of the Australian Federation Select Committee—to report by the last sitting day in May 2011
- ❑ Rural Affairs and Transport References Committee—Pilot safety including consideration of the Transport Safety Investigation Amendment (Incident Reports) Bill 2010—to report by the second sitting day of March 2011

To hold meetings when the Senate is sitting

- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee—18 November 2010 from 3.45 pm—Evidence Amendment (Journalists' Privilege) Bill 2010 and a similar bill

To refer a bill to a committee

- ❑ Social Security Amendment (Income Support for Regional Students) Bill 2010—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee—to report by the second sitting day in February 2011—notice given by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (Senator Ludwig)

Membership

The Senate appointed Senators Faulkner, Forshaw, McGauran and Trood as members of the Intelligence and Security Joint Committee, pursuant to the *Intelligence Services Act 2001*.

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

Motion agreed to

The Senate [ordered](#) that a report by the Productivity Commission relating to superannuation funds be tabled by no later than 31 May 2011.

[Notices of motion](#) given

The following notices of motion were given requiring documents to be tabled:

- ❑ Advice relating to the GST Agreement—no later than 5.00 pm on 18 November 2010—notice given by Senator Cormann
- ❑ Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy (Senator Conroy) to table documents relating to the National Broadband Network—no later than 17 November 2010—notice given by Senator Ludlam

Documents tabled

- ❑ [Government documents](#) [[and considered](#)]
- ❑ Statement and documents in response to a resolution of the Senate concerning coal seam gas projects [[agreed to on 28 October 2010](#)]
- ❑ [A petition](#)

Other business

[Questions without notice and issues arising during question time—first question](#)
[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

Motion agreed to

- ❑ [Anti-discrimination laws](#)—moved by Senator Hanson-Young

Motions negatived

- ❑ [Language rights of Tibetans](#)—moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Bob Brown)
- ❑ [Mental health funding](#)—moved by Senator Siewert

Matter of public importance discussed

- ❑ [Independent youth allowance](#)—proposed by Senator Fifield [[first speaker](#)]

Notices of motion

[Notices of motion](#) given today are available in the Senate Journals.

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