



Senate Daily Summary

5 September 2000

The Senate met from 2.00pm until 7.31pm

Legislation

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The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Freedom of Information Amendment (Open Government) Bill 2000 [Private senator's bill]

Trade Practices Amendment (International Liner Cargo Shipping) Bill 2000

Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000

The following bill was considered

Defence Legislation Amendment (Aid to Civilian Authorities) Bill 2000—
[committee of the whole consideration continued](#) (1 Opposition amendment
(as amended by 1 Government) agreed to; 1 Government amendment agreed
to; 2 Opposition amendments pending)

Notices of motion given

To exempt bills from certain provisions of standing order 111

[to enable consideration this period of sittings]

Patents Amendment (Innovation Patents) Bill 2000

Trade Practices Amendment (International Liner Cargo Shipping) Bill 2000

Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000

To introduce a bill

ACIS Administration Amendment Bill 2000—Notice of motion given by
Senator Ian Campbell

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Committees

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Reports tabled

Reports on annual reports—Seven legislation committees tabled reports on
annual reports

New inquiry

The Senate agreed to refer the Western Australian Army Museum, Fremantle Artillery Barracks and related matters to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report by the last sitting day in March 2001

Meetings

The Senate agreed that the following public meetings may be held while the Senate is sitting:

- ❑ Economics References Committee—5 September 2000 from 6pm
- ❑ Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee—6 September 2000 from 6.30pm to 8pm

Reporting date

The Senate agreed to the following extension of time for a committee to report:

- ❑ Report on the Government's response to the recommendations contained in *Bringing Them Home*—Legal and Constitutional References Committee—28 November 2000

Notices of motion given

To extend a reporting deadline

- ❑ Economic, social and political conditions in East Timor—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—2 November 2000

To refer a matter to a committee

- ❑ Sydney to Canberra Very Fast Train Project tender process and related matters—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—to report by 5 December 2000

Delegated legislation

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

Notice of motion withdrawn

A notice of motion to disallow the Australian Postal Corporation Amendment Regulations 2000 (No. 1), as contained in Statutory Rules 2000 No. 76 and made under the *Australian Postal Corporation Act 1989* was withdrawn

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

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate which related to:

- ❑ [Andrew Snedden](#)—Senate officer—25 years service—moved by Senator Crane
- ❑ [Optional Protocol to the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women](#)—moved by Senator Crossin
- ❑ [Television programs](#)—Captioning—moved by Senator Stott Despoja

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the return of documents

Documents tabled

- ❑ Statements of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2000 (*order agreed to 30 May 1996, as amended 3 December 1998*) for [various agencies](#) were tabled

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) (disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled)
- ❑ [Government documents](#) were tabled
- ❑ [Response](#) to a Senate resolution about the Solomon Islands

Petitions

No petitions were tabled

Also in the Senate yesterday

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

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