

## **Details of Reports tabled in the Senate and other related matters**

### **Matters referred to Legislation Committees**

#### ***23 Individual/Packages of Bills referred through Selection of Bills Committee:***

##### **14 May 2009**

AusCheck Amendment Bill 2009 to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

Health Workforce Australia Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 15 June 2009

Nation Building Program (National Land Transport) Amendment Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 15 June 2009

##### **17 June 2009**

Environment Protection (Beverage Container Deposit and Recovery Scheme) Bill 2009 to the Environment, Communications and the Arts Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 20 August 2009

Health Insurance Amendment (Extended Medicare Safety Net) Bill 2009 to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 5 August 2009

Parliamentary Superannuation Amendment (Removal of Excessive Super) Bill 2009 to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 8 September 2009

Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Pension Reform and Other 2009 Budget Measures) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 23 June 2009

##### **18 June 2009**

Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 10 September 2009

Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment Bill 2009 [Provisions] and the Renewable Energy (Electricity) (Charge) Amendment Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 12 August 2009

##### **25 June 2009**

Access to Justice (Civil Litigation Reforms) Amendment Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 September 2009

Anti-Terrorism Laws Reform Bill 2009 to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 28 October 2009

Australian Citizenship Amendment (Citizenship Test Review and Other Measures) Bill 2009 to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 September 2009

Corporations Amendment (Improving Accountability on Termination Payments) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2009

Crimes Legislation Amendment (Serious and Organised Crime) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 September 2009

Health Legislation Amendment (Midwives and Nurse Practitioners) Bill 2009 [Provisions]; Midwife Professional Indemnity (Commonwealth Contribution) Scheme Bill 2009 [Provisions] and Midwife Professional Indemnity (Run-off Cover Support Payment) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2009

Marriage Equality Amendment Bill 2009 to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 26 November 2009

Migration Amendment (Immigration Detention Reform) Bill 2009 to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2009

National Consumer Credit Protection Bill 2009 [Provisions]; National Consumer Credit Protection (Fees) Bill 2009 [Provisions]; National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2009 [Provisions] and Corporations Legislation Amendment (Financial Services Modernisation) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2009

National Security Legislation Monitor Bill 2009 to the Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 September 2009

Personal Property Securities Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2009

Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (National Broadband Network Measures No. 1) Bill 2009 to the Environment, Communications and the Arts Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 17 August 2009

Therapeutic Goods Amendment (2009 Measures No. 2) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 August 2009

Trade Practices Amendment (Australian Consumer Law) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 7 September 2009

## ***10 Individual/Packages of Bills referred by the Senate***

### **14 May 2009**

Provisions of the following bills: Australian Climate Change Regulatory Authority Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (Charges—Customs) Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (Charges—Excise) Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (Charges—

General) Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS Fuel Credits) Bill 2009; Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (CPRS Fuel Credits) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2009; Customs Tariff Amendment (Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme) Bill 2009; Excise Tariff Amendment (Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme) Bill 2009; and Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme (Household Assistance) Bill 2009 to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 15 June 2009

### **27 May 2009**

Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives Bill 2009 [Provisions]; Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2009 [Provisions]; and Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge–Fringe Benefits) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009 (transferred to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009)

Guarantee of State and Territory Borrowing Appropriation Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

### **28 May 2009**

Private Health Insurance (National Joint Replacement Register Levy) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

Higher Education Support Amendment (2009 Budget Measures) Bill 2009 [Provisions] to the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

### **3 June 2009**

Family Assistance Amendment (Further 2008 Budget Measures) Bill 2009 to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2009 to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 16 June 2009

### **15 June 2009**

Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives Bill 2009 [Provisions]; Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2009 [Provisions]; and Fairer Private Health Insurance Incentives (Medicare Levy Surcharge–Fringe Benefits) Bill 2009 [Provisions] transferred from the Economics Committee to the Community Affairs Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 5 August 2009

### **16 June 2009**

Car Dealership Financing Guarantee Appropriation Bill 2009 to the Economics Legislation Committee for inquiry and report by 23 June 2009

## ***6 Matters referred to References Committees***

### **13 May 2009**

The DEEWR tender process to award employment services contracts, to the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee for inquiry and report by 25 June 2009

### **14 May 2009**

Relationship between the Central Land Council and Centrecorp Aboriginal Investment Corporation Pty Ltd to the Finance and Public Administration References Committee for inquiry and report by 11 August 2009

### **16 June 2009**

Rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee for inquiry and report by 30 August 2009

### **17 June 2009**

Welfare of international students to the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee for inquiry and report by 16 November 2009

### **23 June 2009**

Unlimited deposit and wholesale funding guarantees to the Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 15 September 2009

Operation of employee share schemes to the Economics References Committee for inquiry and report by 17 August 2009

## Reports tabled by Legislation Committees

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled 13 reports (plus 1 report that did not discharge a reference). The details are as follows:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Report</b>	<b>Tabled</b>
<b>CA Leg</b>	*Interim Report—Compliance audits on Medicare benefits (Presented out of session 10.06.09)	15.06.09
<b>FPA Leg</b>	Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2008	15.06.09
<b>ECO Leg</b>	Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme Bill 2008 [Provisions] and related bills	15.06.09
<b>RRAT Leg</b>	Nation Building Program (National Land Transport) Amendment Bill 2009 [Provisions]	15.06.09
<b>ECO Leg</b>	Guarantee of State and Territory Borrowing Appropriation Bill 2009 [Provisions]	16.06.09
<b>CA Leg</b>	Private Health Insurance (National Joint Replacement Register Levy) Bill 2009 [Provisions]	16.06.09
<b>CA Leg</b>	Family Assistance Amendment (Further 2008 Budget Measures) Bill 2009 [Provisions]	16.06.09
<b>CA Leg</b>	Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2009 [Provisions]	16.06.09
<b>CA Leg</b>	Health Workforce Australia Bill 2009 [Provisions]	16.06.09
<b>CA Leg</b>	Final Report—Compliance audits on Medicare benefits	17.06.09
<b>LCA Leg</b>	AusCheck Amendment Bill 2009	18.06.09
<b>ECO Leg</b>	Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Budget Measures No. 1) Bill 2009 [Provisions]	22.06.09
<b>ECO Leg</b>	Car Dealership Financing Guarantee Appropriation Bill 2009	23.06.09
<b>CA Leg</b>	Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Pension Reform and Other 2009 Budget Measures) Bill 2009 [Provisions]	24.06.09

*\*Reports that did not discharge a reference*

***Estimates reports:***

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Standing Committees tabled 8 reports.

***Reports on Annual Reports:***

During the reporting period, Senate Legislation Committees tabled no reports.

**Reports tabled by References Committees**

During the reporting period, Senate References Committees tabled 6 references reports (plus 3 reports that did not discharge a reference). The details are as follows:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Report</b>	<b>Tabled</b>
<b>RRAT Ref</b>	*Interim Report—Matters specified in part (2) of the inquiry into the management of the Murray-Darling Basin system (Presented out of session 22.05.09)	15.06.09
<b>RRAT Ref</b>	*Interim Report—Import risk analysis for the importation of Cavendish bananas from the Philippines (Presented out of session 22.05.09)	15.06.09
<b>FADT Ref</b>	*Interim Report—Economic and security challenges facing Papua New Guinea and the island states of the southwest Pacific (Presented out of session 27.05.09)	15.06.09
<b>RRAT Ref</b>	Matters relating to the establishment of an Australian Football League Team for Tasmania	25.06.09
<b>EEWR Ref</b>	DEEWR tender process to award employment services contracts	25.06.09
<b>CA Ref</b>	<i>Lost Innocents and Forgotten Australians Revisited:</i> Report on the progress with the implementation of the recommendations of the Lost Innocents and Forgotten Australians Reports	25.06.09
<b>RRAT Ref</b>	Final Report—Matters specified in part (2) of the inquiry into the management of the Murray-Darling Basin system (Presented out of session 25.06.09)	11.08.09
<b>RRAT Ref</b>	Final Report—Import risk analysis for the importation of Cavendish bananas from the Philippines (Presented out of session 25.06.09)	11.08.09

<b>RRAT Ref</b>	Final Report—Meat Marketing (Presented out of session 30.06.09)	11.08.09
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*\*Reports that did not discharge a reference*

### ***Joint Statutory/Select Committees:***

During the reporting period, 4 reports (plus 3 reports that did not discharge a reference) were tabled by the Joint Statutory/Select Committees.

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Report</b>	<b>Tabled</b>
Men's Health (Select)	Report (Presented out of session 29.05.09)	15.06.09
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (Joint)	Examination of the Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner 2007–08 (Tabled in the House of Representatives 01.06.09)	16.06.09
Climate Policy (Select)	Report	15.06.09
Australian Crime Commission (Joint)	Examination of the Annual Report of the Australian Crime Commission 2007–08	17.06.09
Agricultural and Related Industries (Select)	*Interim Report—Food Production in Australia	18.06.09
Regional and Remote Indigenous Communities (Select)	*Second Report (Presented out of session 25.06.09)	11.08.09
Agricultural and Related Industries (Select)	*Second Interim Report—Pricing and supply arrangements in the Australian and global fertiliser market (Presented out of session 30.06.09)	11.08.09

*\* Reports that did not discharge a reference*

### **Government Responses to Committee Reports**

The following table shows 4 Government responses to Senate Committee Reports:

<b>Government Response</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Committee</b>
Building trust: Supporting families through	14.05.09	CA

disability trusts (report tabled 16 October 2008)

Disclosure regimes for charities and not-for-profit organisations (presented out of session 19 June 2009, report tabled 4 December 2008)	22.06.09	ECO
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Exposure draft of the Personal Property Securities Bill 2008 (report tabled 19 March 2009)	18.06.09	LCA
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Implementation, operation and administration of the legislation underpinning carbon sink forests (report tabled 23 September 2008)	18.06.09	RRAT
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**Additional Comments; Dissenting Reports; Minority Reports; Report; Additional Remarks; Opposition Report; Comments; Supplementary Comments; Supplementary Report; Supplementary Remarks; Additional Comments & Points of Dissent** (*Note: These statistics record the signatory to the reports*)

<i>Legislation</i>	<i>LP/NAT</i>	<i>ALP</i>	<i>AG</i>	<i>FFP</i>	<i>IND</i>
Additional Comments	6		3		
Dissenting Reports	1	2			
Minority Reports	2	1	2		2
Report		1			

### **Extension of Time to present Reports**

During the reporting period, 16 extensions of time: 4 one week or less; 3 over a week; and 9 over a month—were granted to Committees administered by the Senate Committee Office to present reports.

### **Leave to Meet while the Senate is in session**

During the reporting period, Senate Committees were granted leave to meet while the Senate was in session on 6 occasions.

### **Membership of Committees**

During the reporting period, there were 1073 membership changes of Committees.

### **Appointment of Committees**

There were no new committees appointed during the reporting period.

### **Change of Committee Name**

There were no changes to committee names during the reporting period.