



Senate Daily Summary

Thursday 8 March 2001

The Senate met from 9.30am until 6.58pm

Legislation

[For full text of bills and other associated documents click here](#) 

The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Pig Industry Bill 2000

Prime Minister and Cabinet Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2001

Remuneration Tribunal Amendment Bill 2000

The following bills were considered

Customs Tariff Amendment (Petrol Tax Cut) Bill 2001 (No. 2) [Private senator's bill]—second reading debate continued

Excise Tariff Amendment (Petrol Tax Cut) Bill 2001 (No. 2) [Private senator's bill]—second reading debate continued

The following bills were passed

Without amendments

[These bills will now be assented to]

Aircraft Noise Levy Collection Amendment Bill 2001

Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (New Zealand Citizens) Bill 2001

Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2000

With amendments

Trade Practices Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000–2 Opposition [amendments agreed to](#) [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate]

The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported

Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill 2001–The message reported that the House of Representatives had made an amendment to the bill [The Senate will consider this message on a future sitting day]

Environment and Heritage Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2000 [2001]–The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to the bill without amendment [This bill will now be assented to]

Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill (No. 4) 2000 [2001]–The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to the bill without amendment [This bill will now be assented to]

Notices of motion given

To refer a bill to a committee

Parliamentary (Choice of Superannuation) Bill 2001–Superannuation and Financial Services Select Committee–to report by 23 May 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Brown

To give precedence to a bill

Anti-Genocide Bill 1999–Senator Greig gave notice that contingent on the Senate commencing business on 3 April 2001 he would move that the Anti-Genocide Bill 1999 take precedence over government business until consideration of the bill has concluded

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

Committees

[For scheduled public committee hearings click here](#) 

[For committee reports click here](#) 

Reports tabled

- ❑ *Aspects of the regulation of proprietary companies*–Corporations and Securities Joint Committee
- ❑ *Fair Prices and Better Access for All (Petroleum) Bill and the practice of multi-site franchising by oil companies*–Economics References Committee
- ❑ Publications Committee–23rd [Report](#) (report adopted)
- ❑ Report on annual reports–Economics Legislation Committee

Government responses

Government responses to committee reports tabled

- ❑ Australian Government loan to Papua New Guinea–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- ❑ Education and Training Programs for Indigenous Australians–Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education References Committee
- ❑ Three treaties tabled on 7 March 2000–Treaties Joint Committee

Membership

The Senate agreed to the following changes to committee membership:

- ❑ Economics Legislation and References Committees–Senator Brandis appointed as participating member
- ❑ Finance and Public Administration References Committee–Senator Brandis appointed as participating member
- ❑ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation and References Committees–Senator Brandis appointed as participating member
- ❑ Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee–
 - ❑ Senator Brandis appointed as participating member
 - ❑ for the consideration of the provisions of the Customs Legislation Amendment and Repeal (International Trade Modernisation) Bill 2000 and 2 related bills–
 - ❑ Senator Murray appointed as participating member
 - ❑ Senator Lundy to replace Senator McKiernan
- ❑ Legal and Constitutional References Committee–Senator Brandis appointed as participating member

Meetings

Public meetings

The Senate authorised the Electoral Matters Joint Committee to hold two public meetings on 27 March 2001 and 3 April 2001 from 5.00pm while the Senate is sitting

Delegated legislation

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

Notice of intention given to withdraw a notice

A notice of intention was given by the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances to withdraw a notice to disallow the Civil Aviation Amendment Order (No. 12) 200, made under subregulation 84A(2) of the Civil Aviation Regulations 1988

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

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- ❑ [Australian Women in Agriculture](#)–moved by Senator Woodley
- ❑ [Biodiesel fuel](#)–moved by Senator Brown
- ❑ [International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination](#)–moved by Senator Bourne
- ❑ [South Africa–Health care](#)–moved by Senator Cook

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the production of documents

Notice of motion given

Senator Evans gave [a notice of motion](#) to require the Minister representing the Minister for Aged Care to table documents containing a full list of aged care places and grants allocated for the year 2000 (no later than 3.00pm on 27 March 2001)

Documents tabled

- The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts tabled a document relating to monitoring and safety control of certain Tasmanian genetically-engineered crops in response to a motion moved by Senator Brown on 7 March 2001
- Statements of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 July to 31 December 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]
- No government documents were tabled

Petitions

[2 petitions](#) were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Government documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General's reports were further discussed
- Adjournment debate

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