



# Senate Daily Summary

Monday 18 June 2001

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 10.13pm

## Legislation

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### **The following bills were introduced in the Senate**

Australian Securities and Investments Commission Bill 2001  
Corporations Bill 2001  
Corporations (Fees) Bill 2001  
Corporations (Futures Organisations Levies) Bill 2001  
Corporations (National Guarantee Fund Levies) Bill 2001  
Corporations (Repeals, Consequentials and Transitionals) Bill 2001  
Corporations (Securities Exchanges Levies) Bill 2001  
Dried Vine Fruits (Rate of Primary Industry (Customs) Charge) Validation Bill 2001  
Dried Vine Fruits (Rate of Primary Industry (Excise) Levy) Validation Bill 2001  
Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2001  
Family Law Legislation Amendment (Superannuation) Bill 2000  
Health Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2001  
Migration Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2001  
Migration Legislation Amendment (Electronic Transactions and Methods of Notification) Bill 2001

### **The following bill was considered**

Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2001—second reading debate began

### **The following bills were passed**

*Without amendments or requests*

[These bills will now be assented to]

Australian Securities and Investments Commission Bill 2001  
Corporations Bill 2001  
Corporations (Fees) Bill 2001  
Corporations (Futures Organisations Levies) Bill 2001  
Corporations (National Guarantee Fund Levies) Bill 2001  
Corporations (Repeals, Consequentials and Transitionals) Bill 2001  
Corporations (Securities Exchanges Levies) Bill 2001

Family Law Legislation Amendment (Superannuation) Bill 2000  
Primary Industries and Energy Research and Development Amendment Bill 2001

**The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported**

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Amendment Bill 2001–The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to the bill without amendment [This bill will now be assented to]

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

**The following message from the House of Representatives was considered**

Trade Practices Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2000–The message reported that the House of Representatives had disagreed to the [amendments made](#) by the Senate. The Senate insisted on the amendments to which the House had disagreed. [The House will now reconsider the Senate amendments]

**Notices of motion given to introduce bills**

Fair Prices and Better Access for All (Petroleum) Bill 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Schacht [Private senator's bill]

Public Interest Disclosure Bill 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Murray [Private senator's bill]

Trade Practices Amendment (Mergers in Regional Markets) Bill 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Schacht [Private senator's bill]

Trade Practices Amendment (Operation of State and Territory Laws) Bill 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Schacht [Private senator's bill]

Trade Practices Amendment (Representative Actions) Bill 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Schacht [Private senator's bill]

Trade Practices Amendment (Unconscionable Conduct) Bill 2001–notice of motion given by Senator Schacht [Private senator's bill]

**Bills assented to**

[Assent](#) to several bills was reported in the Senate

**Proclamations**

[Proclamations](#) by the Governor-General were tabled announcing when particular Acts and parts of Acts would commence

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

**Committees**

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

[For committee reports click here](#) 

**Estimates**

*Additional information tabled*

Additional information received by the Community Affairs Legislation Committee was tabled (Additional estimates 2000-01, volumes 1 to 3)

*Notices of motion given to extend reporting deadlines*

- 2001-02 Budget estimates–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–27 June 2001
- 2001-02 Budget estimates–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–28 June 2001

**Reports tabled**

- *2001 Review of Migration Regulation 4.31B*–Migration Joint Committee
- *User friendly, not abuser friendly: Report into the integrity of the electoral roll*–Electoral Matters Joint Committee
- *Visits to immigration detention centres*–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Transmission of Business) Bill 2001 and Workplace Relations (Registered Organisations) Bill 2001–Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee

**Membership**

The Senate agreed to the following changes to committee membership:

- Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee–Senator Tierney appointed as participating member
- Finance and Public Administration References Committee–Senator Lundy discharged, Senator McLucas appointed
- Foreign Affairs Defence and Trade References Committee–Senator Greig appointed as participating member for the inquiry into recruitment and retention of Australian Defence Force personnel
- Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee–Senator Crowley discharged, Senator Sherry appointed (both with effect from 28 June 2001)

*Message from the House of Representatives reported*

A message from the House of Representatives was reported advising that Mr Somlyay was appointed to the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee

**Meetings**

*Public meetings*

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

- Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund Joint Committee–18 June 2001 from 4 pm

**Reporting date**

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

- Dairy Produce Legislation Amendment (Supplementary Assistance) Bill 2001–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–20 June 2001

**Notices of motion given**

*To hold public meetings when the Senate is sitting*

- Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee–25 June 2001 from 11 am to 1 pm. [The notice of motion also](#) sought an extension of the reporting deadline till 28 June 2001 and a direction from the

Senate that the Minister representing the Minister for Education, Training and Youth Affairs ensure that relevant officers appear before the committee.

- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–19 June 2001 from 7 pm to 11 pm

*To extend reporting deadlines*

- Innovation and Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2001–Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee–28 June 2001 (and *see* Notices of motion above)
- Maritime Legislation Amendment Bill 2000–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–28 August 2001
- Measures to Combat Serious and Organised Crime Bill 2001–Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee–25 June 2001

## Delegated legislation

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

### Notices of motion withdrawn

[Ten notices](#) to disallow delegated legislation were withdrawn

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

## Notices of motion

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

## Orders for the production of documents

### *Statement by Parliamentary Secretary*

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts [made a statement](#) about the order of the Senate to table various files about workplace relations at a meat processing firm, G&K O'Connor Pty Ltd (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers on 18 June 2001). The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts indicated that the Minister is taking advice on the request. Senator Carr [responded](#) to the statement.

## Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- Auditor-General–[Reports Nos 39 to 51](#) of 2000-2001
- Auditor-General–Report No. 52 of 2000-2001–Assurance and control assessment audit–Payment of accounts
- [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- [Response](#) to a Senate resolution (agreed to 29 March 2001) about handguns

No government documents were tabled

## Petitions

[3 petitions](#) were received

## Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Adjournment debate

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