



Senate Daily Summary

Wednesday 22 August 2001

The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.41pm

Legislation

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The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2001

Family Assistance Estimate Tolerance (Transition) Bill 2001

Industry, Science and Resources Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2001

Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Further Budget 2000 and Other Measures) Bill 2001

The following bills were considered

Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Account Bill 2001—committee of the whole completed—1 Democrat [request](#) agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the request made by the Senate to this bill]

Second reading of the following related bills was agreed to with 1 Democrat [amendment](#) on a matter of policy

Australian Heritage Council Bill 2000 [2001]

Australian Heritage Council (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2000 [2001]

Environment and Heritage Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2000 [2001]

Second reading of the following related bills was agreed to with 1 Democrat amendment to the Financial Services Reform Bill 2001 (see separate entry below)

Corporations (Compensation Arrangements Levies) Bill 2001

Corporations (Fees) Amendment Bill 2001

Corporations (National Guarantee Fund Levies) Amendment Bill 2001

Financial Services Reform Bill 2001

Financial Services Reform (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2001

Financial Services Reform Bill 2001—second reading agreed to with 1 Democrat [amendment](#) on a matter of policy, and committee of the whole commenced—151 Government [amendments](#) agreed to

The following bill was exempted from the cut-off order (to enable consideration this period of sittings)

Customs Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 5) 2001

Notice of motion given to introduce a bill

Disability Services Amendment (Improved Quality Assurance) Bill 2001–Notice of motion given by the Minister for Environment and Heritage

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

Committees

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Reports tabled

- ❑ Scrutiny of Bills Committee–[Alert Digest No. 10](#) of 2001 and [10th report](#) of 2001 [contain assessments of bills on civil liberties and related grounds]
- ❑ Selection of Bills Committee–[Report No. 12](#) of 2001 (tabled and adopted) [contains recommendations to refer bills to legislation committees]

Document tabled

- ❑ Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Account Bill 2001–Community Affairs Legislation Committee–Additional information received by the committee

Membership

The Senate agreed to the following change to committee membership:

- ❑ Community Affairs References Committee–Senator Crowley discharged; Senator West appointed (effective from 31 August 2001)

*See the **Reports tabled** section (Selection of Bills Committee Report) for details of bills referred to committees*

Reporting dates

The Senate agreed to the following extensions of time for committees to report:

- ❑ Annual reports tabled by 30 April 2001–Economics Legislation Committee–19 September 2001
- ❑ Framework for the market supervision of Australia's stock exchanges–Economics References Committee–27 August 2001

Notices of motion given

To extend reporting deadlines

- ❑ Inquiry to examine developments in contemporary Japan and the implications for Australia–second report–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee–27 September 2001
- ❑ The disposal of Defence properties–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee–27 September 2001
- ❑ Workplace Relations Amendment (Prohibition of Compulsory Union Fee) Bill 2001–Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee–18 September 2001

Motions

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to a motion about the [arrest of Australian citizens](#)—moved by Senator Brown (without debate)

Motions defeated

- ❑ A motion moved by Senator Brown about the freeway proposed for the [Merri Creek Valley](#) was defeated
- ❑ An urgency motion moved by Senator Greig about [mandatory sentencing laws](#) was defeated

Notices of motion

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

Orders for the production of documents

Notice of motion given

Senator Bolkus gave a notice of motion to require the Leader of the Government in the Senate to table the report prepared by the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority on water quality targets in the catchments feeding into the Great Barrier Reef region no later than immediately after questions without notice on 23 August 2001

Statement by Minister

The Minister for Industry, Science and Resources [made a statement](#) about the order of the Senate of 21 August 2001 for the production of documents concerning Black Spot Project reference number NOO752. The Minister indicated that the documents would be tabled by 6.50pm on 22 August 2001

Document 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 the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade were tabled

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- ❑ [Government documents](#)

Petitions

No petitions were tabled

Also in the Senate yesterday

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

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