



# Senate Daily Summary

Wednesday 27 June 2001

The Senate met from 9.30am until 10.07pm

## Legislation

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

### The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Alcohol Education and Rehabilitation Account Bill 2001  
Migration Legislation Amendment (Immigration Detainees) Bill 2001  
Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2001  
Public Interest Disclosure Bill 2001 [Private senator's bill]

### The following bills were considered

Health Legislation Amendment (Medical Practitioners' Qualifications and Other Measures) Bill 2001—second reading debate commenced  
Interactive Gambling Bill 2001—second reading debate continued  
Migration Legislation Amendment (Immigration Detainees) Bill 2001—second reading debate commenced  
Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2001—second reading debate commenced

### The following bills were passed

#### *Without amendments*

[These bills will now be assented to]

Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2001-2002  
Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2001-2002  
Appropriation (HIH Assistance) Bill 2001  
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2001-2002  
Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2001  
Vocational Education and Training Funding Amendment Bill 2001

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

Customs Legislation Amendment and Repeal (International Trade Modernisation) Bill 2001—The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the [amendments made](#) by the Senate [The bill will now be assented to]

Dairy Produce Legislation Amendment (Supplementary Assistance) Bill 2001–The message reported that the House of Representatives had not made the amendment requested by the Senate, but had made amendments in place of the requested amendment [The Senate will consider this message on a future sitting day]

### **Notices of motion given**

*To exempt a bill from certain provisions of standing order 111* [to enable consideration this period of sittings]

Broadcasting Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2001

### *To introduce bills*

Environmental Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2001–Notice of motion given by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts

State Elections (One Vote, One Value) Bill 2001–Notice of motion given by Senator Murray [Private senator's bill]

### *To divide a bill*

Innovation and Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2001–[Senator Carr](#) gave notice that contingent on this bill being read a second time he would move that the committee of the whole be instructed to divide the bill into three separate bills

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*

- Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee–Additional estimates 2000-2001 (volumes 1 to 4)
- Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–Budget estimates 2001-2002 (volumes 1 and 2)

### **Reports tabled**

- 2001-2002 Budget estimates–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee
- Measures to Combat Serious and Organised Crime Bill 2001–Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee
- Scrutiny of Bills Committee–[Alert Digest No. 8](#) of 2001 and [8th report](#) of 2001 [contain assessments of bills on civil liberties and related grounds]

### **Government response to President's report tabled**

Government response to the schedule of parliamentary committee reports tabled by the President of the Senate on 7 December 2000

### Membership

#### *Message from the House of Representatives reported*

A message from the House of Representatives was reported advising that Mr Danby and Mr Melham would replace Mr McClelland and Mr L. Ferguson on the Electoral Matters Joint Committee

### New inquiry

[The Senate agreed](#) to refer to the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee certain matters relating to the methods of appointing members to the board of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation—to report by 25 September 2001

### Reporting dates

The Senate agreed that the time for presentation of reports by the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee be extended as follows:

- Disposal of Defence properties—23 August 2001
- Examination of developments in contemporary Japan and the implications for Australia—Second report—23 August 2001

### Notices of motion given

#### *To extend a reporting deadline*

- Import risk assessment on New Zealand apples—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee—23 July 2001

#### *To refer matters to a committee*

- [Certain matters](#) relating to the application of absolute and strict liability offences in Commonwealth legislation—Scrutiny of Bills Committee—to report by 28 February 2002

## Delegated legislation

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

### Regulation disallowed

The Senate *agreed to disallow* the Workplace Relations Amendment Regulations 2000 (No. 3), as contained in Statutory Rules 2000 No. 328 and made under the *Workplace Relations Act 1996*

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

## Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- [Drug Action Week](#)—moved by Senator Lees
- [Northern Territory Public Order and Anti-Social Conduct Bill](#)—moved by Senators Brown and Ridgeway

## Notices of motion

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

## Orders for the production of documents

### *Notice of motion given*

Senator Collins gave a notice of motion to require the Minister representing the Minister for Employment Services to table certain documents relating to the an investigation undertaken by the Department of Employment, Workplace Relations and Small Business into allegations of impropriety by Leonie Green and Associates (no later than immediately after motions to take note of answers on 28 June 2001)

## Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- Auditor-General–Report No. 53 of 2000-2001–Performance audit–Commonwealth management of leased office property
- [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- [Government documents](#)
- [Response](#) to a Senate resolution (agreed to 5 April 2001) about university accreditation

## Petitions

[5 petitions](#) were received

## Also in the Senate yesterday

- Matters of public interest debate
- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Adjournment debate

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