



Senate Daily Summary

Thursday 30 August 2001

The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.02pm

Legislation

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The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Interactive Gambling Amendment Bill 2001
Royal Commissions and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2001
States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance)
Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2001
Workplace Relations (Registered Organisations) Bill 2001
Workplace Relations (Registered Organisations) (Consequential
Provisions) Bill 2001

The following bills were passed

Without amendments

[These bills will now be assented to]

Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment (Application
of Criminal Code) Bill 2001
Customs Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 5) 2001
Family Law Legislation Amendment (Superannuation) (Consequential
Provisions) Bill 2001
Health and Aged Care Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal
Code) Bill 2001
Industry, Science and Resources Legislation Amendment (Application of
Criminal Code) Bill 2001
Innovation and Education Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2001
Reconciliation and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs
Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill 2001
Treasury Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code) Bill
(No. 3) 2001
Wool International Amendment Bill 2001

With amendments

Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Application
of Criminal Code) Bill 2001 (1 Government [amendment agreed to](#) and
9 items omitted) [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill as
amended]

International Maritime Conventions Legislation Amendment Bill 2001 (10 Democrat [amendments agreed to](#)) [The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate to this bill]

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Committees

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Estimates

Additional information tabled

Additional information received by the Community Affairs Legislation Committee relating to Estimates 2001-2002 was tabled (volumes 1 and 2)

Reports tabled

- ❑ *Lost innocents: Righting the record—Report on child migration—Community Affairs References Committee*
- ❑ *Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund—18th report—Examination of annual reports for 1999-2000*
- ❑ *Privileges Committee—99th Report—Possible unauthorised disclosure of a submission to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Securities—[Senator Ray](#) gave notice of a motion about findings of the report and the recommended penalty (to be moved on 17 September 2001)*
- ❑ *Prudential supervision and consumer protection for superannuation, banking and financial services—Second report: Some case studies— Superannuation and Financial Services Select Committee*
- ❑ *Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee—383rd report—Review of Auditor-General's reports 2000-2001: First quarter—Amphibious transport ship project; Implementation of whole-of-government technology and infrastructure consolidation and outsourcing initiative; AQIS cost-recovery systems; Knowledge system equipment acquisition projects in Defence*
- ❑ *Publications Committee—[28th Report](#) (report adopted)*
- ❑ *Scrutiny of annual reports—No. 2 of 2001—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee*

Publication of certain documents

[The Senate agreed](#) to publish all documents in possession of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee from the Australian Maritime Safety Authority and its constituent bodies in relation to the search for the *Margaret J*, not previously published by the committee

Membership

The Senate agreed to [various changes](#) to committee membership

New inquiry

The Senate agreed to the following new inquiry:

- ❑ *Legal and Constitutional References Committee—Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 6) 2001—to report by 16 October 2001*

Reporting date

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

- Administration of AusSAR in relation to the search for the *Margaret J*–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–last sitting day in March 2002

Delegated legislation

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

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

Motions

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- [Australian national flag centenary](#)–moved by Senator Hill
- [Comprehensive test ban treaty](#)–moved by Senators Bourne and Bartlett
- [Parliamentary zone](#)–Capital works within the Parliamentary Zone, being the design and siting of the exhaust flues, a change of tree species, changes to the walkway design and staircourt, and the external lighting design of Commonwealth Place
- [Phil Botha Memorial Fun Run](#)–moved by Senator Harris

Motions defeated

The Senate defeated motions without debate about:

- [Asylum seekers](#)–Detention centres–moved by Senator Greig
- [New Australian national flag](#)–moved by Senator Brown

Motion debated

The Senate debated a motion (moved by Senator Cook) about the implementation of the goods and services tax

Orders for the production of documents

Statement by Minister

The Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Governments [made a statement](#) indicating that the order (agreed to 9 August 2001) to table all documents held by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade relating to an agreement this year between Australia and Japan to end the port ban on Japanese fishing boats would not be complied with

Documents tabled

- Anti-competitive health cover practices–Report by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission for the periods 1 July to 31 December 2000 and 1 January to 30 June 2001 (*order agreed to 25 March 1999*)

- ❑ Statements of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2001 (*order agreed to 30 May 1996, as amended 3 December 1998*) for the Department of Family and Community Services, Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs and the Industry, Science and Resources portfolio were tabled
- ❑ The Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government tabled two arrangements between the Commonwealth and South Australia relating to the South Australian rock lobster fishery (in response to a motion moved by Senator Greig on 9 August 2001)
- ❑ [Unproclaimed legislation](#)—Document providing details of all provisions of Acts which come into effect on proclamation and which have not yet been proclaimed (*tabled pursuant to standing order 139(2)*)

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 and government responses were further discussed
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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