



# Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday 20 August 2002

The Senate met from 2.00pm until 7.01pm

## Legislation

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

### The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Family Law Amendment (Child Protection Convention) Bill 2002

Jurisdiction of Courts Legislation Amendment Bill 2002

Proceeds of Crime Bill 2002

Proceeds of Crime (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2002

Workplace Relations Amendment (Genuine Bargaining) Bill 2002

### The following bill was considered

Workplace Relations Amendment (Prohibition of Compulsory Union Fees) Bill 2002—second reading debate continued

### No bills were passed

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

## Committees

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

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### Membership

The Senate agreed to the following change to committee membership:

- Superannuation Select Committee—Senator Allison discharged and Senator Cherry appointed

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

A message from the House of Representatives was reported advising that Mr Randall would replace Mr Schultz on the Migration Joint Committee and Mr Melham would replace Ms Hall on the Electoral Matters Joint Committee

### Meetings

*Private deliberative meeting with members of a State parliamentary committee*

- ❑ Scrutiny of Bills Committee—21 August 2002 from 8.00am to 9.30am, with members of the Regulation Review Committee of the New South Wales Parliament in attendance

### *Public meeting*

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

- ❑ Legal and Constitutional References Committee—21 August 2002 from 10.00am to 12.30pm

### Reporting dates

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

- ❑ A Certain Maritime Incident—Select Committee—25 September 2002
- ❑ Higher Education Funding Amendment Bill 2002—Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee—22 August 2002
- ❑ Space Activities Amendment Bill 2002—Economics Legislation Committee—27 August 2002

### Notices of motion given

*To hold public meetings when the Senate is sitting*

- ❑ Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee—22 August 2002 from 3.30pm to 5.00pm
- ❑ Legal and Constitutional References Committee—22 August 2002 from 3.30pm to 4.45pm

*To refer a matter to a committee*

- ❑ Possible US military attack against Iraq with emphasis on Australia's potential role—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report not later than 13 December 2002

### Delegated legislation

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

The Senate debated a motion to disallow the Motor Vehicle Standards Amendment Regulations 2002 (No.1), as contained in Statutory Rules 2001 No.350 and made under the *Motor Vehicle Standards Act 1989*. The Senate agreed *not* to disallow the regulations.

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

### **Motions agreed to**

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- ❑ [Australian Commonwealth Games Team](#)—moved by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer
- ❑ [Drug Action Week](#)—moved by Senator Ridgeway
- ❑ [NAIDOC week](#)—moved by Senator Ridgeway
- ❑ [National Aboriginal and Islanders Children's Day](#)—moved by Senator Ridgeway

### **Notices of motion**

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

### **Orders for the production of documents**

#### *Motion agreed to*

The Senate [ordered](#) that the Livestock Officer's report on the voyage of the *Maysora*, travelling from Australia on 28 February 2001 carrying live cattle, and the Master's reports from the same voyage, be tabled no later than 4 pm on 21 August 2002—motion moved by Senator Bartlett

#### *Notices of motion given*

Senator Sherry gave a [notice of motion](#) that there be laid on the table, on the next day of sitting, the advice by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority, to the Assistant Treasurer, under section 230A of the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993* in relation to applications for financial assistance for superannuation funds where Commercial Nominees of Australia Ltd was trustee

Senator Sherry gave a [notice of motion](#) that there be laid on the table, on the next day of sitting, the report presented to the Government by the Superannuation Working Group on 28 March 2002

Senator Carr gave a [notice of motion](#) that there be laid on the table, no later than the conclusion of question time on 26 August 2002, the documents relating to financial information and forward financial projections and actuals, routinely prepared by the Department of Education, Science and Training pursuant to ministerial determination under section 14 of the *Higher Education Funding Act 1998*, for the higher education institutions listed on Table A, section 4, of the Act (as amended)

#### *Notice of motion withdrawn*

A notice of motion proposing an order for the production of documents by the Minister representing the Treasurer was withdrawn

#### *Document tabled*

- ❑ Unproclaimed legislation—pursuant to standing order 139(2)

## Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ Building and Construction Industry–Royal Commission–First report by Royal Commissioner the Honourable TRH Cole, RFD, QC, and statement by the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations
- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- ❑ [Government documents](#)

## Petitions

A [petition](#) was received

## Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ The senate agreed to a motion relating to the times at which new senators will deliver their [first speeches](#)
- ❑ First speeches–Senators [Johnston](#) and [Webber](#)
- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- ❑ Government documents were discussed

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