Senate Daily Summary

Monday 23 September 2002

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 10.20pm

Legislation

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The following bills were introduced in the Senate

- □ ACIS Administration Amendment Bill 2002
- Corporations Amendment (Improving Corporate Governance) Bill
 2002 [No.2] [Private senator's bill]
- Dairy Industry Legislation Amendment Bill 2002
- □ Egg Industry Service Provision Bill 2002
- Egg Industry Service Provision (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2002
- □ Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment (Disability Reform) Bill (No. 2) 2002
- States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance) Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2002
- Trade Practices Amendment (Credit Card Reform) Bill 2002 [No.2] [Private senator's bill]
- Trade Practices Amendment (Public Liability Insurance) Bill 2002 [No.2] [Private senator's bill]

The following bills were considered

- □ Workplace Relations Amendment (Genuine Bargaining) Bill 2002– second reading debate began [together with debate on the <u>Democrat's</u> <u>amendment</u> expressing a view about the bill's policy]
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Secret Ballots for Protected Action) Bill 2002–second reading debate began

The following bills were passed

Without amendments

[These bills will now be assented to]

- Marriage Amendment Bill 2002
- □ Proceeds of Crime Bill 2002
- Proceeds of Crime (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2002

The following message from the House of Representatives was reported

□ Commonwealth Electoral Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002–The message reported that the House of Representatives had agreed to the amendments made by the Senate [The bill will now be assented to]

Notice of motion given

To exempt a bill from certain provisions of standing order 111 [to enable consideration this period of sittings] ACIS Administration Amendment Bill 2002

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Delegated legislation

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Notices of motion given

Notices of motion were given to disallow the following delegated legislation:

- Standard 9: Employment conditions, in item 9 of Schedule 1 of the Disability Services (Disability Employment and Rehabilitation Program) Standards 2002, made under paragraphs 5A (1)(b) and (c) and subsection 5A (2) of the *Disability Services Act 1986*–on 22 October 2002–by Senator Forshaw
- Telstra Carrier Charges–Price Control Arrangements, Notification and Disallowance Determination No. 1 of 2002, made under subsections 154(1), 155(1) and 157(1) of the *Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999–*14 sitting days after 26 September 2002–by Senator Conroy
- Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Amendment Regulations 2002 (No. 1), as contained in Statutory Rules 2002 No. 144 and made under the *Therapeutic Goods (Charges) Act 1989*–on 24 October 2002–by Senator Greig

See the Documents section for details of instruments tabled

Committees

For scheduled public committee hearings click here \blacktriangleright For committee reports click here \blacktriangleright

Report tabled

 Review of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Defence annual reports 2000-01–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Committee

Membership

The Senate agreed to the following changes to committee membership:

- □ Appropriations and Staffing Committee–Senator Ferris appointed
- □ Library Committee–Senator Tchen appointed

Notices of motion given

To hold a public meeting when the Senate is sitting

Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Joint Standing Committee–26 September 2002 from 11.45am to 1pm, to take evidence for the committee's inquiry into aspects of the 2000-01 annual report of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

To extend a reporting deadline

Urban water management–Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts References Committee–24 October 2002

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions without debate about:

- □ Indonesia—<u>Ms Lesley McCulloch</u>-moved by Senator Brown
- Drug education programs-moved by Senator Allison

Notices of motion

For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere click here 🕒

Orders for the production of documents

Motion agreed to

The Senate <u>ordered</u> the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage to table <u>documents</u> relating to the Honeymoon trial mine (no later than 5 pm on 25 September 2002)–motion moved by Senator Allison

Statement by Minister

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer made a <u>statement</u> and tabled <u>documents</u> relating to applications for financial assistance for superannuation funds where Commercial Nominees of Australia Ltd was trustee (in response to a motion moved by Senator Sherry on 28 August 2002)

Documents tabled

Statements of compliance relating to indexed lists of departmental and agency files for the period 1 January to 30 June 2002 (*order agreed to 30 May 1996*, *amended 3 December 1998*) for the Australian Trade Commission and the Commonwealth Ombudsman were tabled

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- Clerk's documents [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- Response to Senate resolution agreed to on <u>25 June 2002</u> about the national census and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples–Letter to the President

No government documents were tabled

Petitions

A <u>petition</u> was received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- Personal explanation—Senator Forshaw made a <u>statement</u> relating to a newspaper article
- □ Adjournment debate

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