



This week at a glance

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Spring session

The Senate commences the [Spring sittings](#) on Monday 11 August 2003. The Senate will continue to meet until 4 December (with a primarily two-week on, two-week off pattern) and [supplementary budget](#) estimates hearings are tentatively scheduled for 5 to 7 November.

Legislation

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

The following bills may be considered on the days indicated

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- Customs Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2003
- Excise Tariff Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2003
- Product Stewardship (Oil) Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2003
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment) Bill 2002
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Transmission of Business) Bill 2002

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- Communications Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002
- Health Legislation Amendment (Private Health Insurance Reform) Bill 2003
- Sex Discrimination Amendment (Pregnancy and Work) Bill 2002

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- Australian Heritage Council Bill 2002
- Australian Heritage Council (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2002
- Environment and Heritage Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2002

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- Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment Bill 2003
- Export Control Amendment Bill 2003
- Higher Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2003
- Migration Amendment (Duration of Detention) Bill 2003
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Sponsorship Measures) Bill 2003
- New Business Tax System (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill (No. 1) 2003

Committees

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

The following reports are due to be tabled on the days indicated

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- Economics Legislation Committee—
 - Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Bill 2003
 - New Business Tax System (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill (No. 1) 2003
 - Taxation Laws Amendment Bill (No. 5) 2003
- Progress towards national reconciliation—Legal and Constitutional References Committee

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- Australia's relationship with Papua New Guinea and other Pacific island countries—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
- Migration Legislation Amendment (Sponsorship Measures) Bill 2003—Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee

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- Family Law Amendment Bill 2003—Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee

Swearing-in of Governor-General

The swearing-in of Major General Michael Jeffrey AC CVO MC as Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia will take place in the Senate Chamber on Monday 11 August 2003 at 10.45am.

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