



Senate Daily Summary

Thursday 6 October 2005

The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.43pm

Procedural changes

The Senate debated and agreed to [recommendations](#) of the Procedure Committee contained in its first report of 2005. The recommendations related to the storage of Senate documents and unauthorised disclosure of committee proceedings.

Legislation

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

No bills were introduced in the Senate

The following bill was passed

With an amendment

- Acts Interpretation Amendment (Legislative Instruments) Bill 2005–1 Government [amendment agreed to](#) [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill as amended]

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

Delegated legislation

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

Motion to disallow regulations defeated

The Senate agreed *not to disallow* the Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry (Export of Live-stock to Saudi Arabia) Order 2005 [F2005L01580], made under section 17 of the *Australian Meat and Live-stock Industry Act 1997*

Notice of motion withdrawn

A notice of motion to disallow the Maritime Transport Security Amendment Regulations 2005 (No. 1), as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2005 No. 115 and made under the *Maritime Transport Security Act 2003* was withdrawn

See **Documents** for details of instruments [Clerk's documents] tabled

Committees

For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

Report tabled

- Regional Partnerships and Sustainable Regions programs–Finance and Public Administration References Committee

Membership

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

Reporting date extended

- Administration of the Migration Act–Legal and Constitutional References Committee–to report by 1 December 2005

Motions defeated

The Senate *did not agree* to refer the following matters to committees:

- Arrest and deportation of American citizen, Mr Scott Parkin–Legal and Constitutional References Committee–[moved](#) by Senator Brown
- Overtime and shift allowances–Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee–[moved](#) by Senator Fielding [amended by Senator Siewert]

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions about:

- Compulsory voting for elections–moved by Senator Carr [debated as a matter of urgency–link to [first speaker](#)]
- [2005 Nobel Prize](#) winners Professor Barry J Marshall and Dr J Robin Warren–moved by Senators Eggleston and Webber

Motion debated

The Senate debated [a motion](#) moved by Senator Carr about the Australian electoral system [link to first speaker]

Motions defeated

The Senate *did not agree* to motions about:

- [Climate change](#)–health impacts in Australia–moved by Senator Milne
- [Depleted uranium munitions](#)–moved by Senator Siewert
- [Ethanol in petrol](#)–moved by Senator Allison

Notices of motion

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

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- ❑ [Vivian Alvarez](#)—Report by the Commonwealth Ombudsman, and related documents
- ❑ [2 petitions](#) were received

No government documents were tabled

Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time [[first question](#)]
- ❑ Government documents, committee reports, government responses and Auditor-General's reports were discussed [[first speaker](#)]
- ❑ Adjournment debate [[first speaker](#)]

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