



Senate Daily Summary

Friday 9 December 2005

The Senate met from 9.30am until 5.25pm

The Senate has now completed the Spring sittings and will commence the Autumn sittings on [7 February 2006](#)

Legislation

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

No bills were introduced in the Senate

The following bills were passed

Without amendments

[These bills will now be assented to]

- ❑ Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment Bill 2005
- ❑ European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Amendment Bill 2005
- ❑ Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2005 [[The Senate agreed](#) that the bill was “urgent”]
- ❑ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (2005 Measures No. 4) Bill 2005
- ❑ Higher Education Support Amendment (Abolition of Compulsory Up-front Student Union Fees) Bill 2005 [[The Senate agreed](#) that the bill was “urgent”]
- ❑ Telecommunications (Interception) Amendment (Stored Communications and Other Measures) Bill 2005 [[The Senate agreed](#) that the bill was “urgent”]

The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported

[These bills will now be assented to]

- ❑ Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2005—The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the [amendments made by the Senate](#)
- ❑ Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment Bill 2005—The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the [amendments made by the Senate](#)

The following message from the House of Representatives was considered

- Higher Education Legislation Amendment (2005 Budget Measures) Bill 2005–The message reported that the House of Representatives disagreed to two [amendments made by the Senate](#) and made amendments in place of those amendments, agreed to one amendment and made a further amendment. The Senate agreed to the [amendments made by the House](#). [The bill will now be assented to]

Delegated legislation

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

Notice of motion withdrawn

A notice of motion to disallow the Building and Construction Industry Improvement Regulations 2005, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2005 No. 204 and made under the *Building and Construction Industry Improvement Act 2005* was withdrawn

Committees

For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

No reports were tabled

Documents tabled

- Government advertising and accountability–Additional information–Finance and Public Administration References Committee
- Regional Partnerships and Sustainable Regions programs–Additional information–Finance and Public Administration References Committee
- Workplace Relations Amendment (Work Choices) Bill 2005–Additional information–Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee

Membership

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

Message from the House of Representatives reported

A message from the House of Representatives was reported advising that Mr Ciobo was appointed to the Intelligence and Security Joint Committee

Notices of motion given

To extend a reporting deadline

- Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Bill 2005–Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee–to report by 30 March 2006

To hold a public meeting when the Senate is sitting

- Economics Legislation Committee–7 February 2006 from 4.30pm–Future Fund Bill 2005

Notices of motion

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

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- Health Insurance Commission–Report for 2004-05

No petitions were received

No government documents were tabled

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