

# Senate Daily Summary

# **Thursday 10 November 2005**

The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.07pm

## Legislation

For full text of bills and other associated documents

#### The following bill was introduced in the Senate

□ Workplace Relations Amendment (Work Choices) Bill 2005

## The following bills were passed

Without amendments

- □ Corporations Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2005 [The bill will now be assented to]
- □ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Workplace Relations Requirements) Bill 2005 [The bill will now be assented to]
- □ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (2005 Measures No. 3) Bill 2005 [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- □ National Health Amendment (Immunisation Program) Bill 2005 [The bill will now be assented to]

See Committees for details of reports relating to legislation

# **Delegated legislation**

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

## Notice of intention given to withdraw notices

A notice of intention was given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances to withdraw <u>notices</u> to disallow a number of instruments

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

#### **Committees**

For scheduled <u>public committee hearings</u> For <u>committee reports</u>

#### **Estimates**

#### Additional information tabled

- □ Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee–Additional estimates 2004-05 and budget estimates 2005-06
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–Budget estimates (Supplementary) 2005-06

#### Reports tabled

- □ Annual reports referred to legislation committees—Report no. 2 of 2005— Economics Legislation Committee
- □ Energy Efficiency Opportunities Bill 2005– Economics Legislation Committee
- Opportunities and challenges: Australia's relationship with China–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
- □ Publications Committee–8th Report [report adopted]
- □ Review of the *Australian Crime Commission Act 2002*–Australian Crime Commission Joint Committee
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (Loss Recoupment Rules and Other Measures) Bill 2005– Economics Legislation Committee

#### **Documents tabled**

- □ The cancer journey: Informing choice—The delivery of services and treatment options for persons with cancer—additional information—Community Affairs References Committee
- □ Ministerial correspondence relating to the scrutiny of delegated legislation, December 2004 to June 2005–Regulations and Ordinances Standing Committee

#### Government responses to committee reports tabled

- □ Effectiveness of the National Native Title Tribunal in fulfilment of the Committee's duties pursuant to subparagraph 206(d)(i) of the *Native Title Act* 1993–Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund Joint Committee
- □ Forgotten Australians: A report on Australians who experienced institutional or out-of-home care as children–Community Affairs References Committee
- □ *Native Title Act 1993*—Inquiry under section 206(d)—Second interim report: Indigenous land use agreements—Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund Joint Committee
- □ Nursing: The patient profession: Time for action—Community Affairs References Committee
- □ Office of the Chief Scientist–Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee
- □ Protecting vulnerable children: A national challenge—Inquiry into Australians who experienced institutional or out-of-home care—Community Affairs References Committee
- □ Review of administration and expenditure for ASIO, ASIS and DSD–Number 3–ASIO, ASIS and DSD Joint Committee

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#### **New inquiry**

□ Scope and opportunity for naval shipbuilding in Australia and related matters—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report by the last sitting day in 2006

#### Membership

The Senate agreed to various changes to committee membership

## Reporting date determined

☐ Geo-political and strategic aspects of Australia's relationship with China—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report by 30 March 2006

## Reporting date extended

□ Administration of the Migration Act–Legal and Constitutional References Committee–to report by 21 December 2005

## Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions about:

- Australian Muslim communities—moved by Senator Bartlett
- □ <u>National recycling week</u>—moved by Senator Siewert

## Motion debated

The Senate debated <u>a motion</u> moved by Senator O'Brien about Australia's border security

# Questions on notice-failure to provide answers

Senator Allison asked the Minister representing the Minister for Health and Ageing (Senator Patterson) for an explanation of answers not being provided to a number of <u>questions on notice</u>. Senator Patterson indicated that an explanation would be provided.

#### Notices of motion

For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere [see Journals entries 2 and 41]

# Orders for the production of documents

#### Motion defeated

The Senate *did not agree* to <u>a motion</u> moved by Senator Milne to require the Minister for Education, Science and Training to table certain correspondence relating to the CSIRO

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#### **Documents**

The following documents were tabled:

□ <u>Clerk's documents</u> [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]

No petitions were received No government documents were tabled

# Also in the Senate yesterday

- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- □ Government documents, committee reports and government responses were discussed
- □ Adjournment debate

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