

Senate Daily Summary

Wednesday 14 September 2005

The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.20pm

Legislation

For full text of bills and other associated documents

The following bill was introduced in the Senate

□ Copyright Amendment (Film Directors' Rights) Bill 2005

The following bill was considered

□ Australian Technical Colleges (Flexibility in Achieving Australia's Skills Needs) Bill 2005–second reading debate continued

The following bills were passed

Without amendments or requests

- □ Appropriation (Regional Telecommunications Services) Bill 2005-2006 [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) Amendment (Industry Plans and Consumer Codes) Bill 2005 [This bill will now be assented to]
- □ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Issues) Bill 2005 [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- □ Telstra (Transition to Full Private Ownership) Bill 2005 [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]

With amendments

□ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Future Proofing and Other Measures) Bill 2005–7 Government amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the <u>amendments</u> made by the Senate]

Notice of motion given to introduce a bill

 Migration and Ombudsman Legislation Amendment Bill 2005–Notice of motion given by the Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs

Bills assented to

Assent to a number of laws was reported in the Senate

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Notice of motion withdrawn

A notice of motion to disallow the Aviation Transport Security Regulations 2005, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2005 No. 18 and made under the *Aviation Transport Security Act 2004* and the *Aviation Transport Security (Consequential Amendments and Transitional) Act 2004* was withdrawn

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

Committees

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

Reports tabled

- □ Proposed redevelopment of Willis Island meteorological office, Coral Sea–Public Works Joint Committee–16th report
- □ Scrutiny of Bills Committee—<u>Alert Digest No. 11</u> of 2005 and <u>10th report</u> of 2005 [contain assessments of bills on civil liberties and related grounds]
- □ Selection of Bills Committee—Report No. 10 of 2005 [report adopted] [contains a recommendation to refer a bill to a legislation committee]

New inquiry

□ Impact on rural water usage of recent water policy initiatives and the possible role for Commonwealth agencies, and <u>related matters</u>—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee—to report by the last sitting day in March 2006

See **Reports tabled** (Selection of Bills Committee Report) for details of bills referred to committees

Membership

The Senate agreed to various changes to committee membership

Notice of motion given

To refer matters to a committee

□ The Government's <u>proposed changes</u> to welfare, as detailed in *Budget paper* no. 2–Budget measures 2005-06–Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee–to report by 28 November 2005

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to <u>a motion</u> moved by Senator O'Brien about the export of uranium

Motions defeated

The Senate *did not agree* to motions about:

- □ Australian overseas aid—moved by Senator Milne
- □ Recherche Bay forest—Tasmania—moved by Senator Bob Brown
- Sustainable cities—House of Representatives Environment and Heritage Standing Committee report—moved by Senator Milne

Notices of motion

For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere

Orders for the production of documents

Orders with continuing effect

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files published on the internet A statement of compliance for the Attorney-General's Department and portfolio agencies was tabled [Letters of advice about certain files created by departments and agencies required to be tabled twice yearly; <u>Senate order</u> agreed to]

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- □ <u>Clerk's documents</u> [disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- □ Government document [and considered]
- □ 2 petitions were received

Also in the Senate yesterday

- □ Matters of public interest debate [first speaker]
- Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time [first question]
- □ Adjournment debate [first speaker]

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