

Wednesday 10 May 2006

The Senate met from 9.30am until 7.14pm

Legislation

For full text of bills and other associated documents

No bills were introduced in the Senate

The following bill was considered

□ Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment (Mutual Recognition with New Zealand) Bill 2005 [2006]—second reading debate continued

The following bills were passed

Without amendments or requests

- □ Australian Broadcasting Corporation Amendment Bill 2006 [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- □ Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Amendment (Maritime Security Guards and Other Measures) Bill 2005 [2006] [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- □ National Health and Medical Research Council Amendment Bill 2006 [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]
- □ Student Assistance Legislation Amendment Bill 2005 [The bill will now be assented to]
- □ Superannuation Legislation Amendment Bill 2004 [The bill will now be assented to]
- □ Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Board and Other Measures) Bill 2006 [The House of Representatives will now consider this bill]

The following message from the House of Representatives was reported

□ Family Law Amendment (Shared Parental Responsibility) Bill 2006— The message reported that the House of Representatives agreed to the <u>amendments made</u> by the Senate [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)

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

Committees

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

Reports tabled

- □ Annual reports referred to legislation committees—Report no.1 of 2006—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee
- Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation Amendment Bill 2006– Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee
- □ Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Australian Taxation Office at the site known as Section 84, Precincts B and C, Canberra City, ACT-7th report of 2006–Public Works Joint Committee
- □ Proposed fit-out of new leased premises for the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Civic, ACT–6th report of 2006–Public Works Joint Committee
- □ Scrutiny of Bills Committee—<u>Alert Digest No. 4</u> of 2006 [contain assessments of bills on civil liberties and related grounds]
- □ Treaties Joint Committee–73rd report–Treaties tabled in February 2006

Documents tabled

- □ Government advertising and accountability–Finance and Public Administration References Committee–Additional information
- □ Budget estimates for the Australian National Audit Office for 2006-07–Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee–Statement

Membership

The Senate agreed that Senator Moore be discharged from, and Senator Bishop be appointed to, the Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee for the inquiry into the financial reporting and equipment acquisition at the Department of Defence and Defence Materiel Organisation

Public meetings

The Senate agreed that the following public meetings may be held while the Senate is sitting:

- □ Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee–13 June 2006 from 5pm to 8pm–Statutory oversight of the operations of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission
- Public Accounts and Audit Joint Committee–11 May 2006 from 11am to 12.30pm–Financial reporting and equipment acquisition at the Department of Defence and Defence Materiel Organisation

Reporting date extended

□ Australian Research Council Amendment Bill 2006–Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Legislation Committee–to report by 2 June 2006

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Notices of motion given

To extend a reporting deadline

□ Australia's future oil supply–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–to report by 19 October 2006

To refer matters to committees

- □ Commonwealth-State/Territory Disability Agreement (CSTDA)–Examination of the funding and operation <u>and related matters</u>–Community Affairs References Committee–to report by the last sitting week of 2006
- □ Customs Amendment (Fuel Tax Reform and Other Measures) Bill 2006 and three related bills–Economics Legislation Committee–to report by 9 June 2006
- Do Not Call Register Bill 2006 and a related bill-Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee—to report by 13 June 2006
- ☐ Gynaecological cancer in Australia and related matters—Community Affairs References Committee—to report by 19 October 2006

Motions agreed to

The Senate agreed to motions about:

- Australian Paralympic Team—moved by the Minister for the Arts and Sport and Senator Lundy
- Diesel hybrid vehicles-moved by Senator Allison
- Melbourne Commonwealth Games—moved by the Minister for the Arts and Sport and Senator Lundy

Motions defeated

The Senate *did not agree* to motions about:

- □ Chernobyl nuclear reactor accident–moved by Senator Milne
- □ Chile-Mapuche-moved by Senator Nettle
- □ National Sorry Day-moved by Senator Siewert
- □ Nuclear weapons policy—United States—moved by Senator Allison
- □ Uranium exports to China–moved by Senator Milne
- Uranium sales to India-moved by Senator Milne

Notices of motion

For other <u>notices of motion</u> not mentioned elsewhere

Orders for the production of documents

Motion defeated

<u>The Senate</u> *did not agree* to a motion moved by Senator Ludwig for the presentation of the report of the Border Rationalisation Taskforce prepared in 1998

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Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- □ <u>Clerk's documents</u> [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled]
- □ Government documents [and considered]
- □ 3 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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