

This week at a glance 17 to 20 September 2007

On the first day of each sitting week the Senate Daily Summary outlines the business scheduled for consideration in the Senate. On subsequent days, it provides a convenient summary of the previous day's proceedings in the Senate, with links to official Senate records.

Another document useful in tracking the business of the Senate is the Dynamic Red, which records proceedings in the Senate as they happen.

New senator

<u>Senator Bushby</u> will give his first speech to the Senate on 19 September 2007.

Legislation

Bills and related documents available on BillsNet < www.aph.gov.au/bills/index.htm>

Bills to be considered

The government has scheduled bills for debate this week, as follows

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- □ Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Democratic Plebiscites) Bill 2007
- □ Higher Education Endowment Fund Bill 2007 and a related bill
- □ Ouarantine Amendment (Commission of Inquiry) Bill 2007
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (2007 Measures No. 4) Bill 2007 and 3 related hills
- □ Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2007

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- □ Australian Technical Colleges (Flexibility in Achieving Australia's Skills Needs) Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2007
- □ Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Terrorist Material) Bill 2007

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- □ Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Dental Services) Bill 2007
- □ Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment (Cape York Measures) Bill 2007

- □ National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Bill 2007
- □ Social Security Amendment (2007 Measures No. 2) Bill 2007

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- □ Communications Legislation Amendment (Information Sharing and Datacasting)
 Bill 2007
- □ Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs Legislation Amendment (Child Disability Assistance) Bill 2007
- □ Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs Legislation Amendment (Further 2007 Budget Measures) Bill 2007
- □ Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2007
- □ Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2007
- □ Higher Education Support Amendment (Extending FEE-HELP for VET Diploma and VET Advanced Diploma Courses) Bill 2007
- □ Judges' Pensions Amendment Bill 2007 and Federal Magistrates Amendment (Disability and Death Benefits) Bill 2007
- □ Social Security Amendment (2007 Measures No. 1) Bill 2007
- □ Social Security Legislation Amendment (2007 Budget Measures for Students) Bill 2007
- □ Superannuation Legislation Amendment Bill 2007
- □ Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Board and Other Measures) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2007
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (2007 Measures No. 6) Bill 2007
- □ Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2007
- □ Trade Practices Amendment (Small Business Protection) Bill 2007

Source: http://www.dpmc.gov.au/parliamentary/index.cfm

Delegated legislation

See Disallowance Alert for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

Motion to disallow to be considered

A <u>notice</u> given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances to disallow <u>principles</u> that outline the process that the Secretary to the Department of Health and Ageing will undertake in investigating complaints regarding the responsibilities of a residential or community aged care provider is listed for consideration on 18 September 2007.

Committees

For scheduled public committee hearings click here

Reports on legislation due to be tabled this week

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 Australian Securities and Investments Commission (Fair Bank and Credit Card Fees) Amendment Bill 2007–Economics Committee

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□ Social Security Amendment (2007 Measures No. 2) Bill 2007–Employment, Workplace Relations and Education Committee

Other reports due to be tabled this week

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- □ Community Affairs Committee–Patient Assisted Travel Schemes
- □ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee–Report on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2007

Proposed references

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- Australia-Russia Nuclear Cooperation Agreement–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee–to report by 3 December 2007
- □ <u>Effectiveness</u> of the national emergency intervention in the Northern Territory—Community Affairs Committee—to report by 30 June 2008
- Matters relating to the fire on HMAS Westralia in May 1998–Foreign Affairs,
 Defence and Trade Committee

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Online

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It is issued by the Senate Table Office as a convenient summary of each day's proceedings in the Senate. For a complete account see the official record, the *Journals of the Senate*, on the Internet at http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/pubs/index.htm.

Related resources

The *Order of Business* (or 'Senate Red') and the *Dynamic Red* (which updates the *Order of Business* throughout the sitting day) are also available on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

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