



# Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 19 June 2007

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 12.09am

## Legislation

[Bills and related documents available on BillsNet <www.aph.gov.au/bills/index.htm>](http://www.aph.gov.au/bills/index.htm)

### Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- ❑ Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2007-2008  
Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2007-2008  
Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2007-2008  
Appropriation Bill (No. 5) 2006-2007  
Appropriation Bill (No. 6) 2006-2007  
[passed by the House of Representatives on 18 June 2007]
- ❑ Social Security Amendment (Apprenticeship Wage Top-Up for Australian Apprentices) Bill 2007 [passed by the House of Representatives on 18 June 2007]

The following bills were debated

- ❑ Workplace Relations Amendment (A Stronger Safety Net) Bill 2007—second reading agreed to and committee of the whole commenced—[44 Government amendments](#) agreed to

The following private senator's bill was discharged from the Notice Paper

- ❑ Public Interest Disclosure (Protection of Whistleblowers) Bill 2002 [2004]

### Notices of motion

To introduce bills

- ❑ Australian Postal Corporation Amendment (Quarantine Inspection and Other Measures) Bill 2007—notice given by the Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (Senator Coonan)
- ❑ Independent Contractors Amendment Bill 2007—notice given by Senator Sterle [private senator's bill]
- ❑ Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill 2007—notice given by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing (Senator Mason)

See **Committees** for details of reports relating to legislation

## Delegated legislation

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

### Notices of motion withdrawn

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances withdrew notices to disallow the following delegated legislation:

- [an instrument](#) to set out the circumstances in which the Repatriation Commission may accept financial liability for pharmaceutical benefits provided to an entitled person for treatment of malignant neoplasia
- [an instrument](#) to set out the circumstances in which the Repatriation Commission may accept financial responsibility for treatment provided to entitled persons for malignant neoplasia

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

## Committees

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For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

### Estimates reports tabled

- Budget estimates 2007-08—[Eight committees](#)

### Report tabled

- [Corporations](#) Legislation Amendment (Simpler Regulatory System) Bill 2007 and 2 related bills—Corporations and Financial Services Joint Committee

### Reporting date extended

The Senate agreed to extend the reporting date for the inquiry of the Economics Committee into private equity markets to 16 August 2007.

## Documents

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### Orders for the production of documents

Motion defeated

A [motion](#) moved by Senator Faulkner requiring the Minister representing the Minister for Defence (Senator Ellison) to table documents relating to complaints and allegations made in 1997 and 1998 about substandard maintenance on navy ships was defeated.

Notice of motion given

Senator Nettle gave a [notice of motion](#) to require the Minister representing the Minister for the Environment and Water Resources (Senator Abetz) to table documents relating to the Anvil Hill coal mine.

