



Senate Daily Summary

Friday, 23 March 2007

The Senate met from 9.30am until 3.55pm

Legislation

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

Bills considered

The following bill was debated

- Native Title Amendment Bill 2006—consideration in committee of the whole commenced—[8 government amendments](#) agreed to; 1 item negatived

The following bills were passed

- Private Health Insurance Bill 2006—104 Government amendments agreed to; 1 Opposition amendment agreed to; 2 clauses negatived [The House of Representatives will now consider the [amendments](#) made by the Senate]
Private Health Insurance (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2006—51 government amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the [amendments](#) made by the Senate]
Private Health Insurance (Collapsed Organization Levy) Amendment Bill 2006 [This bill will now be assented to]
Private Health Insurance Complaints Levy Amendment Bill 2006 [This bill will now be assented to]
Private Health Insurance (Council Administration Levy) Amendment Bill 2006 [This bill will now be assented to]
Private Health Insurance (Prostheses Application and Listing Fees) Bill 2006 [This bill will now be assented to]
- Schools Assistance (Learning Together—Achievement Through Choice and Opportunity) Amendment Bill 2007 [This bill will now be assented to]

The following bill was agreed to with requests

- Private Health Insurance (Reinsurance Trust Fund Levy) Amendment Bill 2006—3 Government requests for amendments agreed to [The House of Representatives will now consider the whether to make the [amendments requested](#) by the Senate]

Committees

For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

Notices of motion given

A notice of motion was given to refer matters relating to the projected [sea level rises](#) in Australia to the Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Committee for report by 20 September 2007.

Membership

The Senate agreed to [various changes](#) to committee membership.

Other business

[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

Personal explanation

The Minister for the Arts and Sport (Senator Brandis) gave a [personal explanation](#) relating to articles in the *Adelaide Advertiser*, the *Canberra Times*, and the *Launceston Examiner* of 23 March 2007 concerning a possible casual vacancy in the Senate.

Notices of motion

[Notices of motion](#) given today are available in the Senate Journals.

Statistics

Statistics on the work of the Senate this week will be available in the [Statistical Summary](#), which forms part of [StatsNet](#)—the Department of the Senate's online statistical collection.

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