



This week at a glance

1 to 4 December 2008

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.

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:

1 December 2008

- [Aged Care Amendment \(2008 Measures No. 2\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Broadcasting Legislation Amendment \(Digital Television Switch-over\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment \(Further 2008 Budget and Other Measures\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Schools Assistance Bill 2008](#) and [a related bill](#)
- [Tax Laws Amendment \(2008 Measures No. 5\) Bill 2008](#)

2 December 2008

- [Broadcasting Legislation Amendment \(Digital Television Switch-over\) Bill 2008](#)
- [COAG Reform Fund Bill 2008](#) and 2 related bills [[Nation-building Funds Bill 2008](#) and [Nation-building Funds \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2008](#)]
- [Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment Bill \(No. 2\) 2008](#) and [a related bill](#)
- [Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment \(Schooling Requirements\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Social Security Legislation Amendment \(Employment Services Reform\) Bill 2008](#)

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- [Corporations Amendment \(Short Selling\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Safe Work Australia Bill 2008](#) and [a related bill](#)

- [Tax Laws Amendment \(Luxury Car Tax—Minor Amendments\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Tax Laws Amendment \(Political Contributions and Gifts\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Water Amendment Bill 2008](#)

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- [Commonwealth Electoral Amendment \(Political Donations and Other Measures\) Bill 2008](#)
- [Horse Disease Response Levy Bill 2008](#) and 2 related bills [[Horse Disease Response Levy Collection Bill 2008](#) and [Horse Disease Response Levy \(Consequential Amendments\) Bill 2008](#)]

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

Committees

For scheduled public committee hearings [click here](#)

Report presented out of sitting to be tabled on 1 December 2008

- Building and Construction Industry (Restoring Workplace Rights) Bill 2008—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee

Reports on legislation due to be tabled this week

1 December 2008

- A Bill for an Act about the Building Australia Fund, the Education Investment Fund and the Health and Hospitals Fund, and for other purposes and a related bill, together with a bill to establish the COAG Reform Fund, and for other purposes—Economics Committee

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- Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising (Broadcasting Amendment) Bill 2008—Community Affairs Committee

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- Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management (Repeal and Consequential Amendment) Bill 2008—Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee

Other reports due to be tabled this week

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- Economics Committee—Joint marketing arrangements on the North West Shelf project

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- Agricultural and Related Industries Select Committee—Pricing and supply arrangements in the Australian and global fertiliser market

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- Economics Committee—Definition of unconscionable conduct for the purposes of Part IVA of the *Trade Practices Act 1974*
- Economics Committee—Matters relating to the gas explosion at Varanus Island, Western Australia

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- Community Affairs Committee—Government expenditure on Indigenous affairs and social services in the Northern Territory
- Economics Committee—Disclosure regimes for charities and not-for-profit organisations
- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee—Academic freedom in school and higher education
- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee—Climate change and the Australian agricultural sector—Final report

Other business

Delegated legislation

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

Motions to disallow to be considered

1 December 2008

- [Environmental and Natural Resource Management Guidelines](#)—notice given by Senator Milne

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- Various instruments made under the Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—notices given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley) [[F2008L02712](#) [F2008L02713](#) [F2008L02734](#) [F2008L03001](#)]

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Online

The *Senate Daily Summary* is available on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

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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