



## This week at a glance

### 10 to 12 March 2009

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

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Bills and related documents available on BillsNet  
<[www.aph.gov.au/bills/index.htm](http://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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- Fair Work Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- Telecommunications Amendment (Integrated Public Number Database) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]

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- Civil Aviation Amendment Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Transport Safety Investigation Amendment Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [2009] [[homepage](#)]
- Fair Work Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Amendment (Commonwealth Seniors Health Card) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Tax Laws Amendment (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]

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- Australian Energy Market Amendment (AEMO and Other Measures) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Aviation Legislation Amendment (2008 Measures No. 2) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- Defence Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities, and Other Measures) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Tax Agent Services Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]

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

## **Committees**

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

### **Documents presented out of sitting to be tabled on 10 March 2009**

#### Reports on legislation

- ❑ Defence Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2008—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
- ❑ Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2008—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- ❑ Fair Work Bill 2008—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee
- ❑ Federal Court of Australia Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction) Bill 2008—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim reports
- ❑ Federal Financial Relations Bill 2009 and a related bill—Economics Committee
- ❑ Federal Justice System Amendment (Efficiency Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2008—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim report and report
- ❑ Foreign Evidence Amendment Bill 2008—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim report
- ❑ Personal Property Securities Bill 2008 [Exposure draft]—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim report
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill 2008—Economics Committee
- ❑ Trade Practices Amendment (Cartel Conduct and Other Measures) Bill 2008—Economics Committee

#### Government response

- ❑ Finance and Public Administration Committee—Transparency and accountability of Commonwealth public funding and expenditure—Interim response

### **Reports on legislation due to be tabled this week**

#### **10 March 2009**

- ❑ Federal Court of Australia Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction) Bill 2008—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- ❑ Foreign Evidence Amendment Bill 2008—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- ❑ Freedom of Information (Removal of Conclusive Certificates and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [2009]—Finance and Public Administration Committee
- ❑ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities, and Other Measures) Bill 2009—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee
- ❑ Personal Property Securities Bill 2008 [Exposure draft]—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Measures No. 1) Bill 2009—Economics Committee

### Other reports due to be tabled this week

#### 11 March 2009

- Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee—First report on the effectiveness of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and other programs in protecting threatened species and ecological communities

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- Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee—Natural resource management and conservation challenges
- Standing committees—Reports on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2008

### Proposed reference

#### 10 March 2009

- [Australia's climate change response](#)—Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee

### Proposed select committee

#### 11 March 2009

- [Banking and Financial Practices Joint Select 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](http://www.aph.gov.au/senate)

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