



# Senate Daily Summary

Tuesday, 10 February 2009

The Senate met from 12.30pm until 8.26pm

## 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 debated

- Appropriation (Nation Building and Jobs) Bill (No. 1) 2008-2009
- Appropriation (Nation Building and Jobs) Bill (No. 2) 2008-2009
- Household Stimulus Package Bill 2009
- Tax Bonus for Working Australians Bill 2009
- Tax Bonus for Working Australians (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2009
- Commonwealth Inscribed Stock Amendment Bill 2009  
–second reading debate continued [[first speaker](#)]

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

## Committees

For scheduled [public committee hearings](#)

For [committee reports](#)

### Reports tabled

Reports on legislation

- [Nation building](#) and jobs plan: Inquiry into the Appropriation (Nation Building and Jobs) Bill (No. 1) 2008-2009 and 5 related bills—Finance and Public Administration Committee
- [Appropriation](#) (Nation Building and Jobs) Bill (No. 2) 2008-2009: Provisions relating to the social housing program—Community Affairs Committee

### Other reports

- Privileges Committee–
    - [136th report](#)–Persons referred to in the Senate–Mr Barry Williams, President of the Lone Fathers Association of Australia Inc
    - [137th report](#)–Persons referred to in the Senate–Mr Anthony and Mrs Brenda Bird, members of the Exclusive Brethren
- [motions to adopt the reports were agreed to]

### Documents tabled

- Scrutiny of Bills Committee–[Alert Digest No. 2](#) of 2009

### Notices of motion given

To extend reporting deadlines:

- Economics Committee–Bank mergers–to report by 17 September 2009
- Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee–Oversight of the child care industry–to report by 18 June 2009
- Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee–Effectiveness of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and other programs in protecting threatened species and ecological communities–
  - First report–by 11 March 2009
  - Final report–on 24 April 2009
- Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee–
  - Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2008–to report by 26 February 2009
  - Exposure draft of the Personal Property Securities Bill 2008–to report by 5 March 2009
  - Federal Court of Australia Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction) Bill 2008–to report by 26 February 2009

To hold a meeting when the Senate is sitting:

- Finance and Public Administration Committee–12 February 2009 from 3.30pm–Freedom of Information (Removal of Conclusive Certificates and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [2009]

### Membership

The Senate appointed Senator Ludlam as a member of the National Broadband Network Select Committee.

## Documents

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### Delegated legislation

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

- [Clerk's documents](#) were tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled, including Governor-General's Proclamations]

## Orders for the production of documents

Motion defeated

A [motion moved](#) by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Bob Brown) requiring an analysis of greenhouse gas emissions from the logging of native forests in Tasmania to be tabled was defeated.

## Orders with continuing effect

### *Departmental and agency appointments*

A statement of compliance for the Resources, Energy and Tourism portfolio was tabled [Lists of appointments made and existing vacancies are [required to be tabled](#) 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

### *Departmental and agency grants*

A statement of compliance for the Resources, Energy and Tourism portfolio was tabled [Lists of all grants approved are [required to be tabled](#) 7 days before the commencement of budget, supplementary budget and additional estimates hearings]

## Documents tabled

- Auditor-General—[Audit report](#) no. 21 of 2008-09
- Government documents [see Journals entries nos [2](#) and [11](#)]
- Letter of condolence from the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association relating to the Victorian bushfires

## Other business

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[Adjournment debate—first speaker](#)

## Motions agreed to

- [Civilian casualties in Sri Lanka](#)—moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Bob Brown)
- [Death of Mr Hussein Ali Yousufi](#)—moved by the Leader of the Australian Greens (Senator Bob Brown)

## Statement by President

The President made a [statement](#) relating to an intervention by the Acting Deputy President and remarks made during a [speech by Senator McGauran](#) on the nation building and jobs plan package of bills on 5 February 2009.

## Notices of motion

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

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