



This week at a glance

12 to 14 May 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.

Budget 2009-10

On 12 May the Treasurer will make the Budget statement for 2009-10 in the House of Representatives. The statement and associated documents will subsequently be tabled in the Senate. Relevant documents will be referred to committees to examine during the estimates hearings from 25 May to 5 June.

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:

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- Australian Business Investment Partnership Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)] and a [related bill](#)
- Employment and Workplace Relations Amendment Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities, and Other Measures) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]

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- Federal Court of Australia Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- Social Security Legislation Amendment (Improved Support for Carers) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Tax Laws Amendment (Small Business and General Business Tax Break) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- Trade Practices Amendment (Cartel Conduct and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]

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- ❑ Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Customs Amendment (Enhanced Border Controls and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Customs Legislation Amendment (Name Change) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Freedom of Information (Removal of Conclusive Certificates and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [2009] [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Law and Justice Legislation Amendment (Identity Crimes and Other Measures) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Migration Amendment (Abolishing Detention Debt) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Telecommunications Interception Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Uranium Royalty (Northern Territory) 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 12 May 2009

Reports on legislation

- ❑ Australian Business Investment Partnership Bill 2009 and a related bill—Economics Committee
- ❑ Evidence Amendment (Journalists' Privilege) Bill 2009—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim report
- ❑ Exposure draft of the legislation to implement the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme—Economics Committee—Interim report and final report
- ❑ Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2009—Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee
- ❑ Family Assistance and Other Legislation Amendment (2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2009—Community Affairs Committee
- ❑ Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (Enhancing Supervision and Enforcement) Bill 2009—Economics Committee
- ❑ Law and Justice (Cross Border and Other Amendments) Bill 2009—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim report
- ❑ National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Amendment Bill 2009—Finance and Public Administration Committee
- ❑ Native Title Amendment Bill 2009—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee—Interim report
- ❑ Social Security Legislation Amendment (Improved Support for Carers) Bill 2009—Community Affairs Committee
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Measures No. 2) Bill 2009—Economics Committee
- ❑ Uranium Royalty (Northern Territory) Bill 2008—Economics Committee

- ❑ Water Amendment (Saving the Goulburn and Murray Rivers) Bill 2008—Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee

Other reports

- ❑ Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee—The operation of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*—Interim report and final (second) report
- ❑ Finance and Public Administration Committee—Residential and community aged care in Australia
- ❑ Fuel and Energy Select Committee—The CPRS: Economic cost without environmental benefit—Interim report
- ❑ Procedure Committee—Second report of 2009—The Senate committee system
- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee—Additional estimates 2008-09

Government response

- ❑ Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee—Bridging the skills divide

Reports on legislation due to be tabled this week

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- ❑ Evidence Amendment (Journalists' Privilege) Bill 2009—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- ❑ Law and Justice (Cross Border and Other Amendments) Bill 2009—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
- ❑ Native Title Amendment Bill 2009—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee

Other reports due to be tabled this week

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- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee—Natural resource management and conservation challenges
- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee—Matters specified in part (2) of the inquiry into the management of the Murray-Darling Basin system

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- ❑ Climate Policy Select Committee
- ❑ Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee—Reporting of sports news and the emergence of digital media
- ❑ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee—Import risk analysis for the importation of Cavendish bananas from the Philippines

Proposed reference

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

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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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