

This week at a glance 26 to 29 October 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

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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- □ AusCheck Amendment Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Australian National Preventive Health Agency Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Corporations Amendment (Improving Accountability on Termination Payments) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Corporations Legislation Amendment (Financial Services Modernisation) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Federal Justice System Amendment (Efficiency Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2008 [homepage]
- □ Health Insurance Amendment (Compliance) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ National Consumer Credit Protection Bill 2009 [homepage]
 National Consumer Credit Protection (Fees) Bill 2009 [homepage]
 National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Bill 2009 [homepage]

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- □ Access to Justice (Civil Litigation Reforms) Amendment Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP and Tertiary Admission Centres) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support for Students) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Resale Royalty Right for Visual Artists Bill 2009 [homepage]

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□ Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Reregistration of Providers and Other Measures) Bill 2009 [homepage]

- ☐ Health Legislation Amendment (Midwives and Nurse Practitioners) Bill 2009
 [homepage]
 - Midwife Professional Indemnity (Commonwealth Contribution) Scheme Bill 2009 [homepage]
 - Midwife Professional Indemnity (Run-off Cover Support Payment) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Higher Education Support Amendment Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2009 [homepage
- ☐ Trade Practices Amendment (Australian Consumer Law) Bill 2009 [homepage]

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- ☐ Asian Development Bank (Additional Subscription) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority Amendment Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Crimes Amendment (Working With Children—Criminal History) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Long Service Leave Legislation Amendment (Telstra) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Migration Amendment (Immigration Detention Reform) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ National Security Legislation Monitor Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Personal Property Securities Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009 [homepage]
- □ Statute Stocktake (Regulatory and Other Laws) Bill 2009 [homepage]
- □ Tax Agent Services (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2009 [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 26 October 2009

Reports on legislation

- □ Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment (Re-registration of Providers and Other Measures) Bill 2009–Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee
- □ Migration Amendment (Complementary Protection) Bill 2009–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–Interim report, Final report and correction

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Other reports

- □ Economics References Committee–Government's economic stimulus initiatives–Interim report
- □ Economics References Committee–GROCERYchoice website–Interim report

Government responses

- □ Housing Affordability in Australia Select Committee–A good house is hard to find: Housing affordability in Australia
- □ Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee–Personal Property Securities Bill 2009

Reports due to be tabled this week

Reports on legislation

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- □ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support for Students) Bill 2009–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
- □ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2009–Environment, Communications and the Arts Legislation Committee

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□ Anti-Terrorism Laws Reform Bill 2009–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

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□ Crimes Amendment (Working With Children—Criminal History) Bill 2009–Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee

Other reports

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- Economics References Committee–Government's economic stimulus initiatives– Final report
- □ Economics References Committee–GROCERYchoice website–Final report
- □ Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee–Forestry and mining operations on the Tiwi Islands
- □ Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee–Impact of mining operations on the Murray-Darling Basin
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–Natural resource management and conservation challenges

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- □ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee–Economic and security challenges facing Papua New Guinea and the island states of the southwest Pacific–Final report
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–Rural and regional access to secondary and tertiary education opportunities–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

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- □ Proclamation dated 14 May 2009 [Coral Sea Conservation Zone], made under subsection 390D(1) of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* declaring an area to be a conservation zone
- □ Threat Abatement Plan for disease in natural ecosystems caused by *Phytophthora cinnamomi* (2009), made under section 279 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

Orders for the production of documents

Documents relating to the following orders of the Senate were presented out of sitting, and will be tabled on 26 October 2009:

- □ Aged care providers [order agreed to 19 August 2009]
- □ Chemotherapy treatment [order agreed to 18 August 2009]
- □ National Broadband Network [order agreed to 13 May 2009]
- □ Strategic review of Australian Government climate change policies [order agreed to 3 September 2008]

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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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