

Senate Daily Summary

Monday, 30 November 2009, Tuesday, 1 December 2009 and Wednesday, 2 December 2009

The Senate met from 10.00 am and suspended at 10.00 pm on Monday, 30 November 2009, met from 10.00 am and suspended at 10.00 pm on Tuesday, 1 December 2009 and met from 10.00 am until 12.37 pm on Wednesday, 2 December 2009

The Senate has now completed its sittings for 2009 and will commence the autumn sittings on <u>2 February 2010</u>

Legislation

For bills and related documents

Bills considered

The following bills were introduced

- □ Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment Bill 2009 [passed by the House of Representatives on 30 November 2009]
- □ Health Insurance Amendment (New Zealand Overseas Trained Doctors) Bill 2009 [passed by the House of Representatives on 30 November 2009]
- ☐ Higher Education Legislation Amendment (Student Services and Amenities) Bill 2009 [passed by the House of Representatives on 26 November 2009]
- □ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support for Students) Bill 2009 [No. 2] [passed by the House of Representatives on 25 November 2009]
- □ Statute Law Revision Bill 2009 [passed by the House of Representatives on 26 November 2009]
- □ Trade Practices Amendment (Infrastructure Access) Bill 2009 [passed by the House of Representatives on 1 December 2009]

The following bills were passed

- □ Appropriation (Water Entitlements and Home Insulation) Bill 2009-2010 and a related bill
- □ Fair Work Amendment (State Referrals and Other Measures) Bill 2009
- □ Tax Laws Amendment (2009 Budget Measures No. 2) Bill 2009 and a related bill

[These bills will now be assented to]

The following bills were defeated by a majority vote

□ Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme Bill 2009 [No. 2] and 10 related bills—defeated at third reading [first speaker] [see Journals of the Senate 25 November, 26 November—entries nos 71 and 73 and 30 November—entries nos 10 and 15 for consideration of the bills in committee] [These bills meet the requirements for a simultaneous dissolution of both houses under s.57 of the Constitution]

Committees

For scheduled <u>public committee hearings</u> For committee reports

Reports tabled

- Agricultural and Related Industries Select Committee–Food production in Australia
 - Second interim report
 - Third interim report
- □ Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee–Import restrictions on beef–Interim report [a motion to extend the reporting date to 25 February 2010 was agreed to]

Document tabled

 Regional and Remote Indigenous Communities Select Committee–Third report– Correction

New inquiries

Selection of Bills Committee report

The Senate adopted <u>report no. 19</u> of the Selection of Bills Committee, and made the following references:

- □ Do Not Call Register Legislation Amendment Bill 2009–Environment, Communications and the Arts Legislation Committee–to report by 24 February 2010
- □ Freedom of Information Amendment (Reform) Bill 2009 and Information Commissioner Bill 2009–Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee–to report by 16 March 2010
- Occupational Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2009– Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee–to report by 25 February 2010
- □ Trade Practices Amendment (Material Lessening of Competition—Richmond Amendment) Bill 2009–Economics Legislation Committee–to report by 18 March 2010

Public meeting

The Senate authorised the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations References Committee to hold a public meeting while the Senate was sitting on 30 November 2009 from 2.00 pm for the committee's inquiry into the Primary Schools for the 21st Century program.

Membership

The Senate agreed that Senator Siewert replace Senator Hanson-Young on the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Legislation Committee for the committee's inquiry into Occupational Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2009, and appointed Senator Hanson-Young as a participating member.

A message from the House of Representatives was reported advising that Mr Kerr would replace Ms Vamvakinou on the Treaties Joint Committee.

Documents

Delegated legislation

See <u>Disallowance Alert</u> for a complete list of notices of motion to disallow (and outcomes)

□ <u>Clerk's documents</u> were tabled [legislative instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled, including Governor-General's Proclamations]

Notice of motion to disallow given

The Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances gave a <u>notice</u> <u>or motion</u> to disallow Marine Order No. 4 of 2009 – Part 28 – Operations Standards and Procedures – Issue 3, made under subsection 425(1AA) of the *Navigation Act* 1912 [homepage].

Document tabled

Government document

Other business

End of 2009 sittings

Valedictory speeches were made relating to the end of the 2009 sittings [first speaker].

2010 sittings

The Senate will commence the autumn sittings on <u>2 February 2010</u>.

Statistics

Statistics on the work of the Senate this week will be available in the <u>Statistical Summary</u>, which forms part of <u>StatsNet</u>—the Department of the Senate's online statistical collection.

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