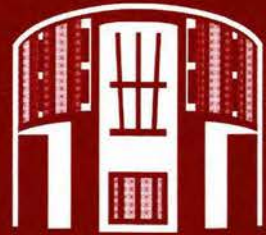


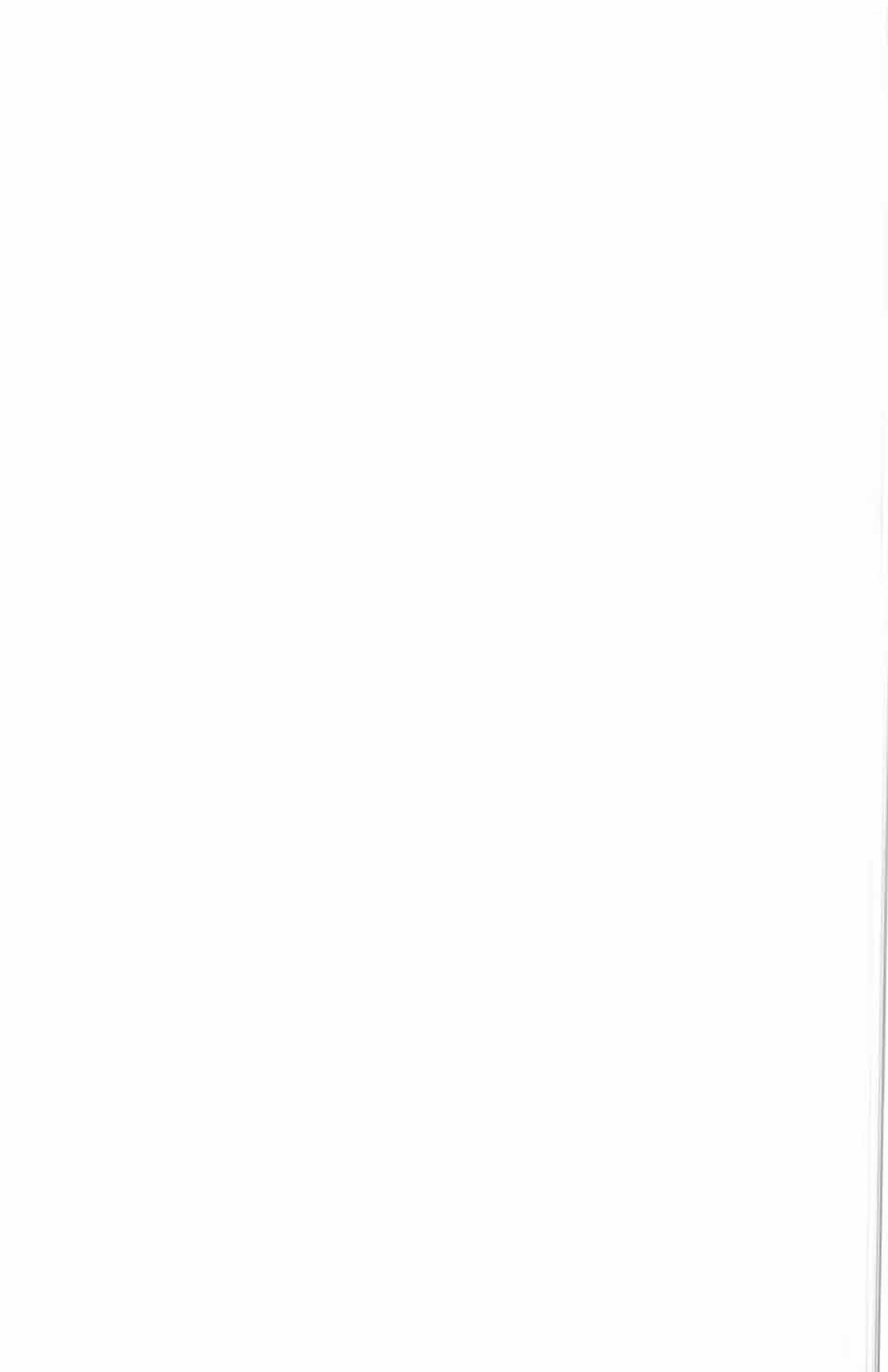
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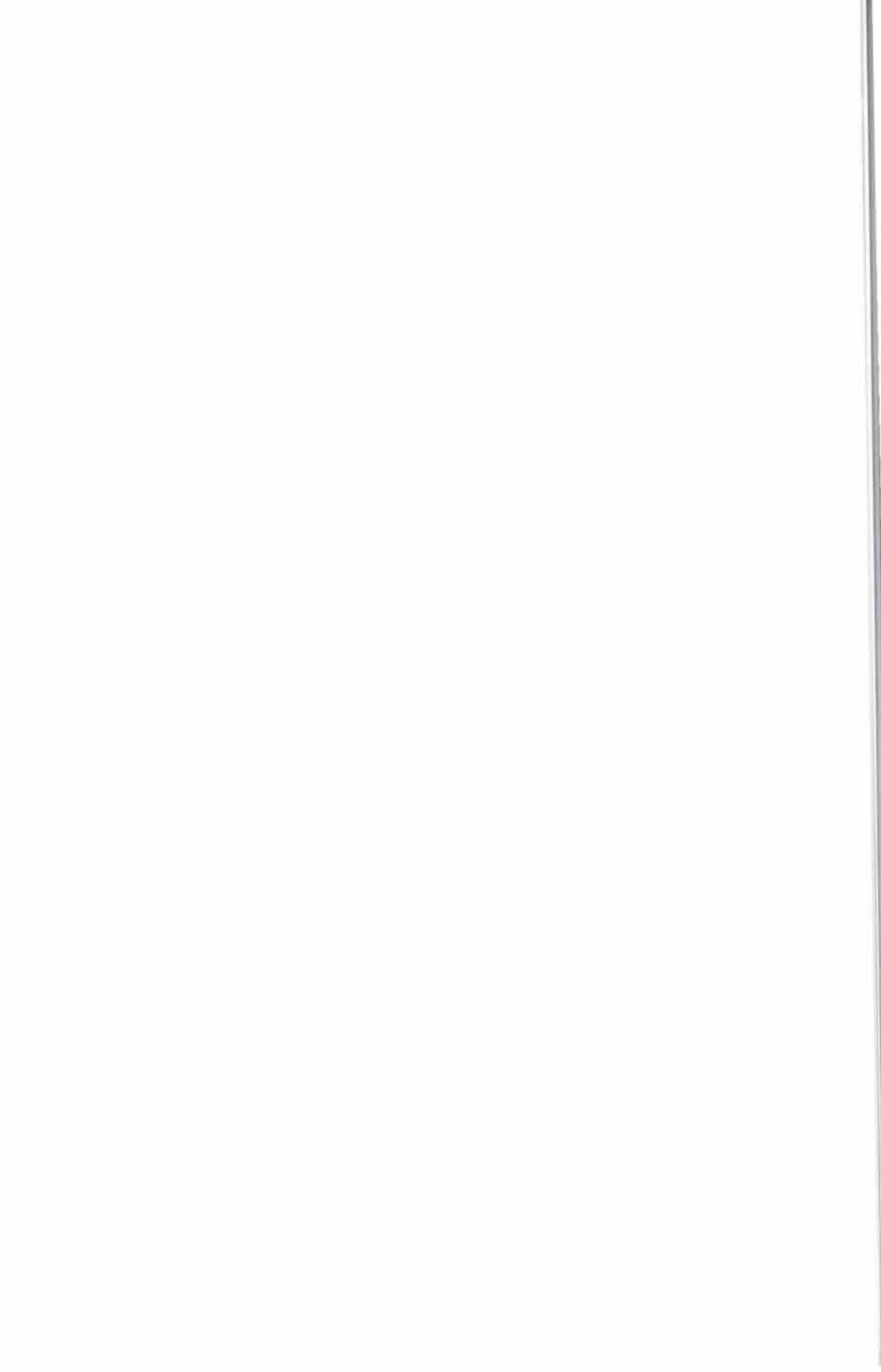


## 1.1 General statistics

	Autumn/ Autumn (2)	Budget/Winter	Spring/ Spring (2)	Total
Number of sittings days	10	11	31	52
Hours of sitting	84 hrs 02 mins	106 hrs 10 mins	291 hrs 25 mins	481 hrs 37 mins
Average length of a sitting day	8 hrs 24 mins	9 hrs 39 mins	9 hrs 24 mins	9 hrs 16 mins
Longest sitting day	10 hrs 25 mins (19 March)	11 hrs 18 mins (19 June)	15 hrs 41 mins (4 December)	N/A
Shortest sitting day	2 hrs 58 mins (12 February)	6 hrs 40 mins (13 May)	4 hrs 57 mins (26 August)	N/A
Questions placed on notice	383 (12/2 – 20/3)	129 (21/3 – 30/6)	698 (1/7 – 31/12)	1210
Questions without notice* Question time held on:	185 9 sitting days	217 11 sitting days	648 31 sitting days	1050* 51 sitting days
Average daily number of questions without notice*	20.6	19.7	20.9	20.6
Petitions presented	14	18	21	53
Signatories to petitions	1 819	63 774	50 178	115 771
Delegated legislation—Notices of motion for disallowance:				
Given	2	14	16	32
Agreed to	0	3	0	3
Negatived	0	0	1	1
Withdrawn	0	5	23	28
Still before the Senate	2	8	0	N/A
Statements by the President and Chair of Committees	3	4	11	18
Ministerial statements	9	28	33	70
Matters of public importance	0	0	9	9
Urgency motions	1	0	1	2
Principal motions agreed to	20	30	69	119
Condolence motions	5	4	6	15
Censure motions	0	0	0	0
Orders made for the production of documents	0	5	4	9
Government responses to committee reports tabled	0	3	14	17
Divisions	19	30	102	151

\* Includes supplementary questions.

\* On 24 November the format of question time was changed to allow 2 supplementaries per question.



## 1.2 Senate sittings 2008

A sitting period is defined as a period during which the Senate adjourns for not more than 20 days (standing order 111).

### Number of sitting days:

Autumn sitting period—12 to 14 February.....	3
Autumn sitting period (2)—11 to 20 March.....	7
Budget sitting period—13 to 15 May.....	3
Winter sitting period—16 to 26 June.....	8
Spring sitting period—26 August to 16 October.....	19
Spring sitting period (2)—10 November to 4 December.....	12
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>52</b>

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July							August							September						
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October							November							December						
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27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30	29	30	31				





## 1.3 Business conducted in the Senate

### Types of business in the Senate:

**Business of the Senate** includes disallowance motions, presentation of committee reports, motions to refer matters to standing committees and motions concerning the qualification of a senator. It has precedence over government business and general business for the day on which it is listed, except on Monday and Tuesday, between 12.30 and 2 pm. and Wednesday between 9.30 am and 12.45 pm.

**Government business** is business initiated by a minister and includes all debate on government bills. Government business takes precedence over general business except for a period of 2½ hours on Thursdays.

**General business** is initiated by senators who are not ministers. It includes motions to take note of answers, most notices of motion, consideration of committee reports and government responses and matters of public interest. General business takes precedence over government business on Thursdays as described above.

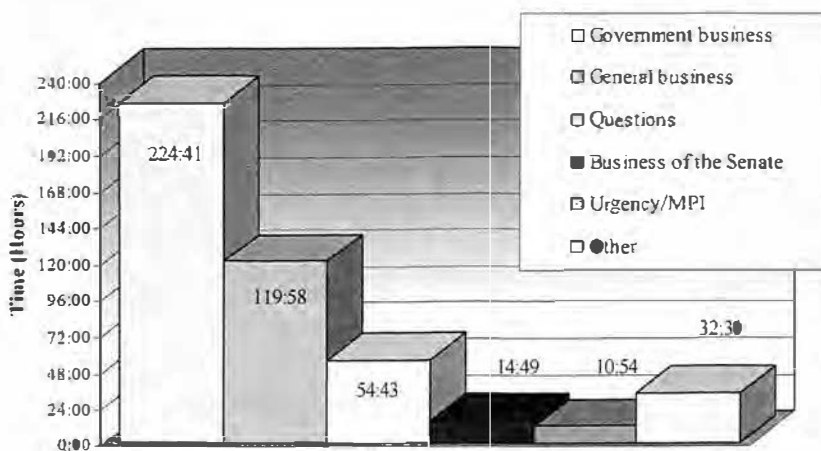
**Questions** include question time and additional answers given by ministers at the end of question time.

**Urgency motions and matters of public importance (MPIs)** may be proposed by senators on any sitting day pursuant to standing order 75. At the conclusion of the debate there is no vote taken on the substantive issue of the matter or motion. However, in the case of urgency motions, a procedural vote is taken as to whether the matter is considered urgent or not.

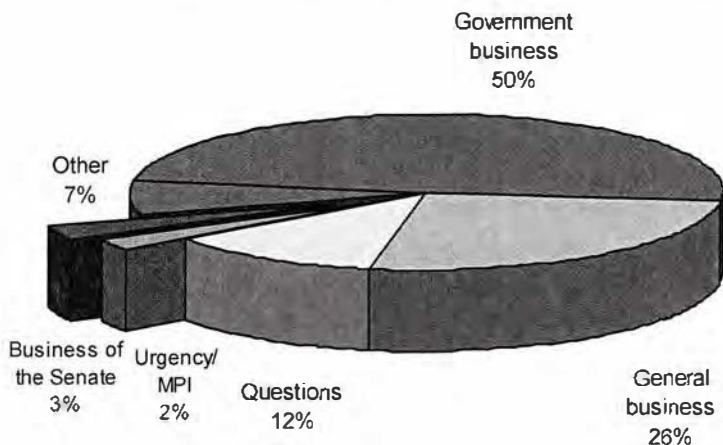
**Other business** includes prayers, petitions, postponements and ceremonial business.

**Adjournment:** Note that the time for the adjournment debate is not included in the figures shown.

**Total time, by type of business - 1 January to 31 December 2008**

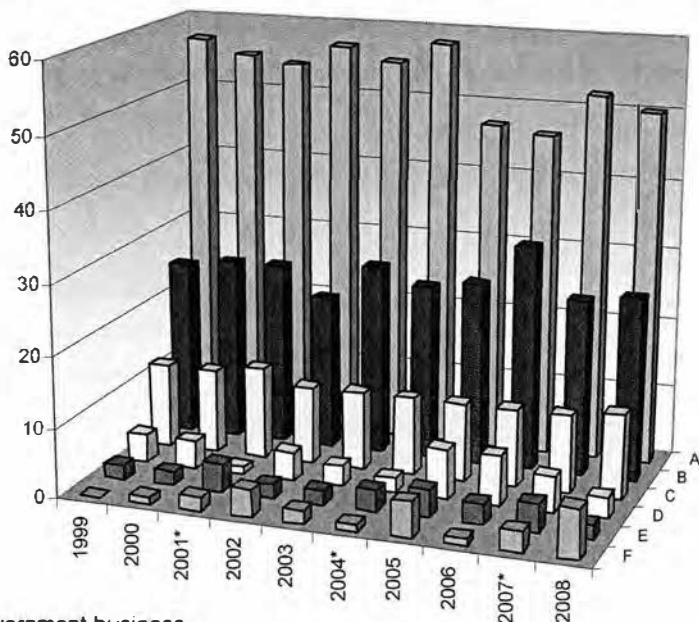


### Percentage of time, by type of business: 1 January to 31 December 2008 and breakdown of government business



- government legislation – 45%
- other government business – 5%

### Proportion of time spent according to the type of business: 1999 to 2008

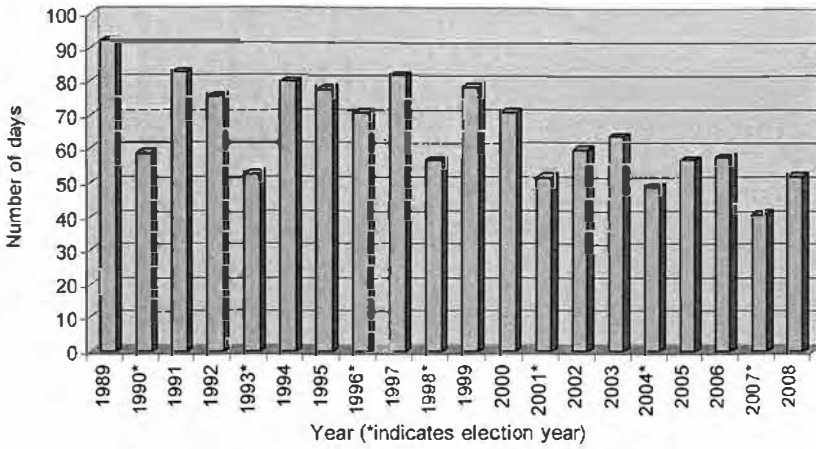


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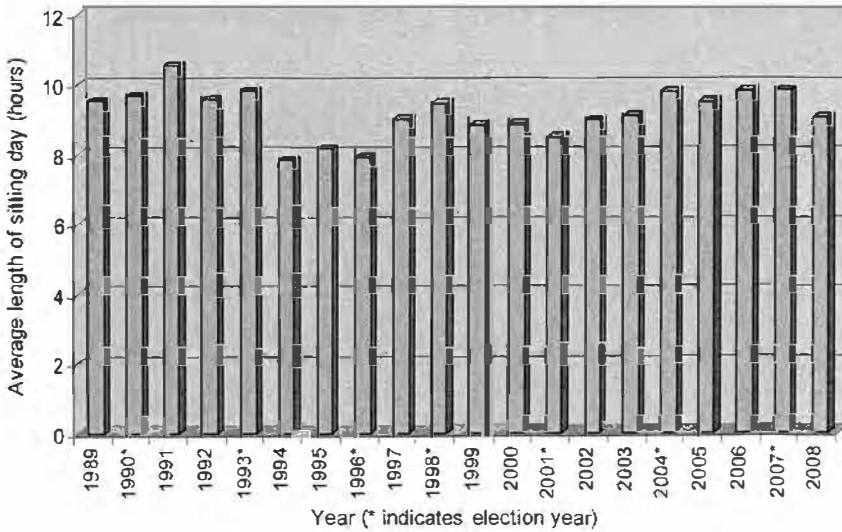
- A) Government business
- B) General business
- C) Questions without notice
- D) Business of the Senate
- E) Urgency motions/MPI
- F) Other business

(\*indicates election year)

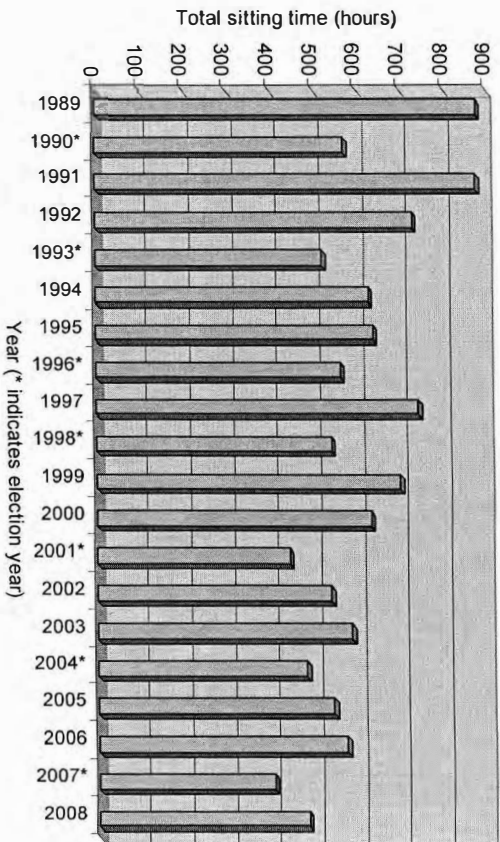
### Number of sitting days: 1989 to 2008



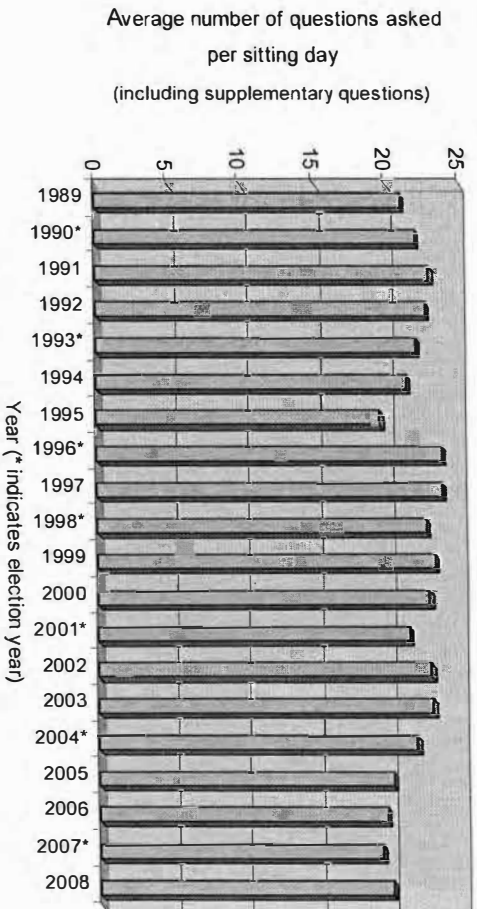
### Average length of a sitting day: 1989 to 2008



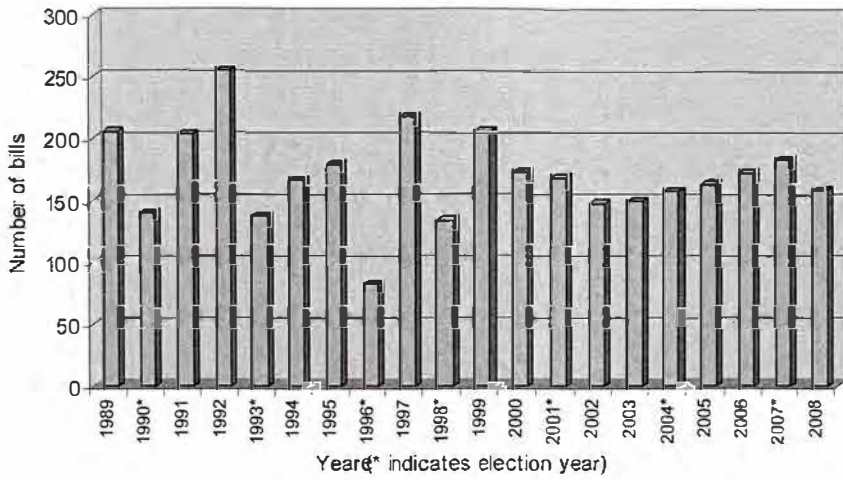
**Total Senate sitting times: 1989 to 2008**



**Average number of questions without notice asked: 1989 to 2008**



### Bills passed both Houses: 1989 to 2008





## Section 2: Legislation





## 2.1 Legislation statistics

### Bills considered by the Senate in the period 1 January to 31 December 2008

#### Origin

Introduced in the Senate (1 January to 31 December 2008):	
Government bills.....	17
Private senators' bills.....	34
Total.....	51
Second reading moved again (1 January to 31 December 2008):	
Government bills.....	4
Received from the House of Representatives (1 January to 31 December 2008):	
Government bills.....	165
Restored to the <i>Notice Paper</i> (1 January to 31 December 2008):	
Private senators' bills.....	40
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>260</b>

#### Outcome

Bills passed by the Senate:	
Passed by both Houses:	
Government bills.....	159
Still before the House of Representatives:	
Government bill.....	2
Private senator's bill.....	1
Not yet introduced into the House of Representatives:	
Private senator's bill.....	1
Laid aside by the House of Representatives:	
Government bill.....	1
Total.....	164
Bills still before the Senate:	
Government bills.....	11
Private senators' bills.....	70
Total.....	81
Bills negatived in the Senate:	
Negatived at second reading:	
Government bills.....	11
Private senator's bill.....	1
Negatived at third reading:	
Government bill.....	1
Total.....	13
Bills discharged from the <i>Notice Paper</i> :	
Government bill.....	1
Private senator's bill.....	1
Total.....	2
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>260</b>

**Bills on which there was disagreement between the Houses**..... 10

**Bills to which amendments and requests were moved during 2008**

Bills to which second reading amendments were moved'	13
Bills to which second reading amendments were agreed'	7
Bills to which amendments were moved in committee of the whole'	43
Bills to which amendments were agreed in committee of the whole	30
Bills to which requests were moved in committee of the whole'	10
Bills to which requests were agreed in committee of the whole	9
Bills in which items (etc) were opposed and negatived in committee of the whole	14
Bills in which items (etc) were opposed but agreed to in committee of the whole'	6

**Amendments, requests etc moved in committee of the whole:**

Moved by	AMENDMENTS	
	Agreed to	Negatived
Government	341	3
Opposition <sup>1</sup>	189	20
Australian Democrats	2	52
Australian Greens <sup>2</sup>	12	147
Family First Party	3	11
Independent (Senator Xenophon) <sup>3</sup>	9	3
Opposition/Australian Greens	11	0
Australian Greens/Independent	6	0
Australian Greens/Senator Joyce/ Independent	0	2
Senators Macdonald and Boswell	1	0
Senator Troeth	11	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>238</b>

- <sup>1</sup> 2 amendments withdrawn  
<sup>2</sup> 1 amendment withdrawn  
<sup>3</sup> 7 amendments withdrawn

These figures are broken down in detail on pages 25-30.

Total amendments, requests etc moved'..... 833

## 2.2 Bills still before the Senate

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### Number of bills still before the Senate at 31 December 2008:

Number of government bills:d.....	11
Number of private senators' bills:.....	70
<b>Total:</b> .....	<b>81</b>

### Government bills

Bill short title	Origin
Auditor-General Amendment Bill 2008	Senate
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2008	Senate
Corporations Amendment (No. 1) Bill 2008	Senate
Fair Work Bill 2008	House of Representatives
Freedom of Information (Removal of Conclusive Certificates and Other Measures) Bill 2008	Senate
Horse Disease Response Levy Bill 2008	House of Representatives
Horse Disease Response Levy Collection Bill 2008	House of Representatives
Horse Disease Response Levy (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008	House of Representatives
Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2008	Senate
Tax Laws Amendment (Political Contributions and Gifts) Bill 2008	House of Representatives

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Origin</b>
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (Medical Devices and Other Measures) Bill 2008	Senate

### Private senators' bills

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Senator</b>
A New Tax System (Family Assistance) (Improved Access to Baby Bonus) Amendment Bill 2008	Stott Despoja (AD)
Alcohol Toll Reduction Bill 2007 [2008]	Fielding (FFP)
ATMs and Cash Facilities in Licensed Venues Bill 2008	Xenophon (Ind)
Australian Securities and Investments Commission (Fair Bank and Credit Card Fees) Amendment Bill 2008	Fielding (FFP)
Building and Construction Industry (Restoring Workplace Rights) Bill 2008	Siewert (AG)
Cluster Munitions (Prohibition) Bill 2006 [2008]	Allison (AD), Bartlett (AD), Bishop (ALP) & Bob Brown (AG)
Commonwealth Electoral (Above-the-Line Voting) Amendment Bill 2008	Bob Brown (AG)
Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management (Repeal and Consequential Amendment) Bill 2008	Ludlam (AG)
Constitution Alteration (Appropriations for the Ordinary Annual Services of the Government) 2001 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD) & Murray (AD)
Constitution Alteration (Electors' Initiative, Fixed Term Parliaments and Qualification of Members) 2000 [2008]	Murray (AD)

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Senator</b>
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Child Protection from Predatory Tourism Offences) Bill 2008	Bernardi (LP)
Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2008	Bartlett (AD)
Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2008 [No. 2]	Ludlam (AG)
Drink Container Recycling Bill 2008	Fielding (FFP)
Electoral Amendment (Political Honesty) Bill 2003 [2008]	Murray (AD)
Electoral (Greater Fairness of Electoral Processes) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]	Murray (AD)
Emergency Assistance Fund for the Lower Lakes and Coorong Region of South Australia Bill 2008 [No. 2]	Minchin (LP)
Emergency Water (Murray-Darling Basin Rescue) Bill 2008	Xenophon (Ind)
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Control of Power Station Emissions) Bill 2008	Allison (AD)
Euthanasia Laws (Repeal) Bill 2004 [2008]	Allison (AD)
Flags (Protection of Australian Flags) Amendment Bill 2008	Barnett (LP)
Freedom of Information Amendment (Open Government) Bill 2003 [2008]	Murray (AD)
Genetic Privacy and Non-discrimination Bill 1998 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)
Marriage (Relationships Equality) Amendment Bill 2008	Nettle (AG)

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Senator</b>
Migration Legislation Amendment (Access to Judicial Review of Migration Decisions) Bill 2007 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Migration Legislation Amendment (End of Mandatory Detention) Bill 2006 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Migration Legislation Amendment (Migration Zone Excision Repeal) Bill 2006 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Migration Legislation Amendment (Migration Zone Excision Repeal) (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2006 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Migration Legislation Amendment (Provisions Relating to Character and Conduct) Bill 2006 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Migration Legislation Amendment (Restoration of Rights and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2007 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Migration Legislation Amendment (Temporary Protection Visas Repeal) Bill 2006 [2008]	Bartlett (AD)
Ministers of State (Post-Retirement Employment Restrictions) Bill 2002 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD) & Murray (AD)
National Commissioner for Children Bill 2008	Bartlett (AD)
National Market Driven Energy Efficiency Target Bill 2007 [2008]	Allison (AD)
Parliamentary Charter of Rights and Freedoms Bill 2001 [2008]	Lees (AD)
Parliamentary (Judicial Misbehaviour or Incapacity) Commission Bill 2007 [2008]	Kirk (ALP)

Bill short title	Senator
Patents Amendment Bill 1996 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)
Peace and Non-Violence Commission Bill 2007 [2008]	Allison (AD)
Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002 [2008]	Bob Brown (AG)
Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2008	Bob Brown (AG)
Poker Machine Harm Minimisation Bill 2008	Fielding (FFP)
Poker Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008	Fielding (FFP)
Pregnancy Counselling (Truth in Advertising) Bill 2006 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD) & Nettle (AG)
Privacy (Data Security Breach Notification) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)
Privacy (Extension to Political Acts and Practices) Amendment Bill 2006 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)
Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising Bill 2006 [2008]	Allison (AD)
Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising (Broadcasting Amendment) Bill 2008	Bob Brown (AG)
Public Interest Disclosures Bill 2007 [2008]	Murray (AD)
Qantas Sale (Keep Jetstar Australian) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]	Fielding (FFP)
Renewable Energy Amendment (Feed-in-Tariff for Electricity) Bill 2008	Milne (AG)

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Senator</b>
Renewable Energy Amendment (Increased Mandatory Renewable Energy Target) Bill 2008	Milne (AG)
Renewable Energy Legislation Amendment (Renewable Power Percentage) Bill 2008	Allison (AD)
Repatriation of Citizens Bill 2007 [2008]	Allison (AD) & Stott Despoja (AD)
Republic (Consultation of the People) Bill 2001 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)
Restoring Territory Rights (Voluntary Euthanasia Legislation) Bill 2008	Bob Brown (AG)
Rights of the Terminally Ill (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008	Bob Brown (AG)
Same-Sex Marriages Bill 2006 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD) & Bartlett (AD)
Same-Sex: Same Entitlements Bill 2007 [2008]	Allison (AD), Bartlett (AD), Murray (AD) & Stott Despoja (AD)
Save Our Solar (Solar Rebate Protection) Bill 2008 [No. 2]	Johnston (LP)
Special Broadcasting Service Amendment (Prohibition of Disruptive Advertising) Bill 2008	Allison (AD)
State Elections (One Vote, One Value) Bill 2001 [2008]	Murray (AD)
Stolen Generation Compensation Bill 2008	Bartlett (AD)
Stolen Generations Reparations Tribunal Bill 2008	Siewert (AG)
Taxation Laws Amendment (Scholarships) Bill 2005 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)



<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Senator</b>
Textbook Subsidy Bill 2003 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)
Trade Practices (Creeping Acquisitions) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]	Fielding (FFP)
Unit Pricing (Easy comparison of grocery prices) Bill 2008	Fielding (FFP)
Uranium Mining in or near Australian World Heritage Properties (Prohibition) Bill 1998 [2008]	Allison (AD)
Water Amendment (Saving the Goulburn and Murray Rivers) Bill 2008	Birmingham (LP)
Workplace Relations (Guaranteeing Paid Maternity Leave) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]	Stott Despoja (AD)

**KEY**

<b>AD</b>	<b>Australian Democrats</b>
<b>AG</b>	<b>Australian Greens</b>
<b>ALP</b>	<b>Australian Labor Party</b>
<b>FFP</b>	<b>Family First Party</b>
<b>Ind</b>	<b>Independent</b>
<b>LP</b>	<b>Liberal Party</b>



## 2.3 Second reading—Amendments moved

Second reading amendments do not affect the text of a bill. They are generally used to express an opinion about the bill, or related policy issues; to propose the reference of the bill or related matters to committees; or to postpone further consideration of the bill.

For more information on the legislative process see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation*.

**Number of bills, or packages of bills, to which second reading amendments were moved:** **13**

**Number of second reading amendments moved:** **14**

Second reading amendments agreed to..... 7\*

Second reading amendments negatived..... 7

Bill short title	Moved by	Outcome
Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2007-2008; Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2007-2008	1 AD	Agreed to
Excise Legislation Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008	1 Ind	Agreed to
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008	1 Opp	Agreed to
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	1 Opp/FF	Agreed to
Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Laws Bill 2008 [No. 2]	1 AG	Negatived
National Rental Affordability Scheme Bill 2008	1 Opp 1 AG	Agreed to* Negatived
Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—Superannuation) Bill 2008	1 AG	Negatived
Schools Assistance Bill 2008	1 AG	Negatived
Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Economic Security Strategy) Bill 2008	1 AG	Negatived
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (National Broadband Network) Bill 2008	1 Opp	Agreed to
Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	1 Ind	Agreed to
Urgent Relief for Single Age Pensioners Bill 2008	1 FF	Negatived
Workplace Relations Amendment (Transition to Forward with Fairness) Bill 2008	1 FF	Negatived

\* The question for the amendment was divided. Paragraphs (a) to (e) were negatived and paragraphs (f) and (g) were agreed to.



## 2.4 Committee of the whole—Consideration

The *committee of the whole* process provides an opportunity for senators to consider bills in detail. Amendments moved in committee of the whole seek to change, delete or add words in the bill that may affect the final content of the law. Where – under the Constitution – the Senate cannot directly amend a bill, it may instead *request* the House of Representatives to amend the bill before agreeing to it.

For more information on the legislative process see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation*.

### Number of bills:

to which amendments were moved in committee of the whole.....	43
to which requests were moved in committee of the whole.....	10
in which items (etc.) were opposed in committee of the whole.....	18

<b>Number of amendments moved:</b>	<b>667</b>	<b>Number of requests moved:</b>	<b>62</b>
Number of amendments agreed to:	438	Number of requests agreed to:	55
Number of amendments negatived:	219	Number of requests negatived:	7
Number of amendments withdrawn:	10		
<b>Number of amendments moved to amendments:</b>	<b>18</b>		
<b>Number of items (etc.) opposed and negatived:</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>Number of items (etc.) opposed but agreed to:</b>	<b>12</b>

Bill short title	Outcome
Aged Care Amendment (2008 Measures No.2) Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments negatived (AG) Opposed/agreed to (4 items AG)</b>
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Television Switch-over) Bill 2008	<b>3 amendments agreed to (Opp)</b>
• <i>consideration of message no. 233 from the House of Representatives*</i>	<b>1 amendment agreed to (Opp)</b>
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Assessments and Advertising) Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment negatived (FF) Opposed/agreed to (1 Schedule FF)</b>

\* see also **Amendments and requests—Disagreements** on page 35.

Bill short title	Outcome
COAG Reform Fund Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment negated (AG)</b>
Corporations Amendment (Short Selling) Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment negated (AG)</b>
Dental Benefits Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment agreed to (Opp)</b>
Excise Legislation Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008	<b>9 requests agreed to (Govt)</b>
Excise Tariff Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008	<b>3 requests agreed to (Govt)</b>
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008*	<b>1 request agreed to (Govt)</b> <b>3 amendments agreed to (2 Govt; 1 Opp)</b> <b>2 amendments negated (AG)</b> <b>Opposed/negated (2 items Govt; 2 Schedules Opp)</b>
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Emergency Response Consolidation) Bill 2008	<b>6 amendments agreed to (Opp)</b> <b>1 amendment negated (AG)</b> <b>Opposed/negated (12 items and 1 Schedule Opp)</b> <b>Opposed/agreed to (1 clause AG)</b>
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Further 2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008	<b>7 amendments agreed to (Govt)</b> <b>Opposed/negated (1 Part Govt)</b> <b>Opposed/agreed to (3 items Opp)</b>
Family Law Amendment (De Facto Financial Matters and Other Measures) Bill 2008	<b>20 requests agreed to (Govt)</b> <b>34 amendments agreed to (Govt)</b> <b>1 amendment negated (Opp)</b> <i>Amendment moved to request:</i> <i>1 negated (Opp to Govt)</i>
Financial System Legislation Amendment (Financial Claims Scheme and Other Measures) Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment negated (AG)</b>
First Home Saver Accounts (Further Provisions) Amendment Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments negated (AG)</b>

\* see also **Amendments and requests—Disagreements** on page 35.

Bill short title	Outcome
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	<b>8 amendments agreed to</b> (6 Govt; 1 Opp; 1 Senators Macdonald and Boswell) <b>3 amendments negated</b> (Opp)
Guarantee Scheme for Large Deposits and Wholesale Funding Appropriation Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments negated</b> (AG)
Higher Education Support Amendment (Removal of the Higher Education Workplace Relations Requirements and National Governance Protocols Requirements and Other Matters) Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments negated</b> (Opp)
Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Laws Bill 2008 [No. 2]	<b>13 amendments agreed to</b> (11 Senator Troeth; 2 AG) <b>1 amendment negated</b> (AG) <i>Amendments moved to amendments: 5 agreed to (AG to Senator Troeth)</i>
Infrastructure Australia Bill 2008*	<b>6 amendments agreed to</b> (5 Opp; 1 AD) <b>3 amendments negated</b> (AG)
Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2008	<b>10 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (8 items Govt)
National Rental Affordability Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt)
Nation-building Funds Bill 2008*	<b>76 amendments agreed to</b> (67 Opp; 9 Opp/AG) <b>3 amendments negated</b> (AG) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (2 clauses Opp) <i>Amendments moved to amendments: 2 negated (1 AG to Opp/AG; 1 Opp to Opp/AG)</i>
Nation-building Funds (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008*	<b>1 amendment agreed to</b> (Opp) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (6 items Opp)
Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008	<b>13 amendments agreed to</b> (2 Govt; 11 Opp) <b>11 amendments negated</b> (AG)

\* see also **Amendments and requests—Disagreements** on page 35.

Bill short title	Outcome
Reserve Bank Amendment (Enhanced Independence) Bill 2008	<b>3 amendments agreed to</b> (2 Opp; 1 AD) <i>Amendment moved to amendment:</i> <i>1 negated (FF to Opp)</i>
Road Charges Legislation Repeal and Amendment Bill 2008	<b>11 requests agreed to</b> (8 Govt; 2 Opp; 1 FF) <b>2 requests negated</b> (Opp)
Safe Work Australia Bill 2008*	<b>12 amendments agreed to</b> (8 Opp; 1 AG; 3 Ind) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (12 subclauses, 1 Division Opp; 1 subclause AG)
Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—General Law Reform) Bill 2008	<b>2 requests agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>91 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>5 amendments negated</b> (AG) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (24 items, 3 Parts Govt)
Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—Superannuation) Bill 2008*	<b>2 requests agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>4 amendments agreed to</b> (3 Govt; 1 Opp) <b>3 amendments negated</b> (1 Govt; 2 AG) <i>Amendments moved to amendment:</i> <i>2 negated (AG to Govt)</i>
Schools Assistance Bill 2008	<b>8 amendments agreed to</b> (4 Govt; 4 Opp) <b>4 amendments negated</b> (AG) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (1 clause FF) <b>1 amendment negated</b> (FF)
• <i>consideration of message no. 225 from the House of Representatives*</i>	
Skills Australia Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment negated</b> (AD)
Social Security and Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Allowances) Bill 2008	<b>1 request negated</b> (AG)
Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Schooling Requirements) Bill 2008	<b>3 amendments negated</b> (AG)
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>4 amendments negated</b> (AG) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (5 Schedules Govt)

\* see also **Amendments and requests—Disagreements** on page 35.



Bill short title	Outcome
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 2) Bill 2008	<b>3 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt)
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 4) Bill 2008	<b>1 amendment agreed to</b> (Opp) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (1 Schedule Opp)
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 5) Bill 2008	<b>2 amendments negated</b> (AG/Joyce/Xenophon)
Tax Laws Amendment (Luxury Car Tax) Bill 2008	<b>4 requests agreed to</b> (1 Govt; 2 Ind; 1 FF) <b>4 requests negated</b> (Opp)
Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy Surcharge Thresholds) Bill (No. 2) 2008	<b>7 amendments agreed to</b> (6 AG/Ind; 1 AG) <b>6 amendments withdrawn</b> (Ind)
Tax Laws Amendment (Personal Income Tax Reduction) Bill 2008	<b>62 amendments negated</b> (34 AD; 28 AG)
Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2008	<b>20 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>1 amendment negated</b> (AD) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (1 Subsection Govt)
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (National Broadband Network) Bill 2008	<b>29 amendments agreed to</b> (13 Govt; 16 Opp) <b>2 amendments negated</b> (Govt) <i>Amendment moved to amendment:</i> <i>1 agreed to (AD to Opp)</i>
Temporary Residents' Superannuation Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	<b>3 requests agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>11 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt) <b>1 amendment withdrawn</b> (Xenophon) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (1 item Govt)
Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill 2008*	<b>1 amendment agreed to</b> (Ind) <b>Opposed/negated</b> (8 items Opp)
Urgent Relief for Single Age Pensioners Bill 2008	<b>10 amendments negated</b> (2 AG; 8 FF)

\* see also **Amendments and requests—Disagreements** on page 35.

Bill short title	Outcome
Water Amendment Bill 2008*	<p><b>16 amendments agreed to</b> (4 Opp; 7 AG 2 Opp/AG; 3 Xenophon)</p> <p><b>39 amendments negated</b> (4 Opp; 32 AG; 3 Xenophon)</p> <p><b>3 amendments withdrawn</b> (2 Opp; 1 AG)</p> <p><b>Opposed/agreed to</b> (1 item Opp)</p> <p><i>Amendments moved to amendments:</i></p> <p><i>4 agreed to</i> (1 Opp to Opp/AG; 2 Opp to AG; 1 AG to Opp)</p> <p><i>2 negated</i> (1 Xenophon to Opp; 1 AG to Opp)</p>
Wheat Export Marketing Bill 2008	<b>9 amendments agreed to</b> (LP)
Workplace Relations Amendment (Transition to Forward with Fairness) Bill 2008	<p><b>37 amendments agreed to</b> (Govt)</p> <p><b>45 amendments negated</b> (16 AD; 29 AG)</p> <p><b>Opposed/agreed to</b> (2 Subdivisions AG)</p>

\* see also **Amendments and requests—Disagreements** on page 35.

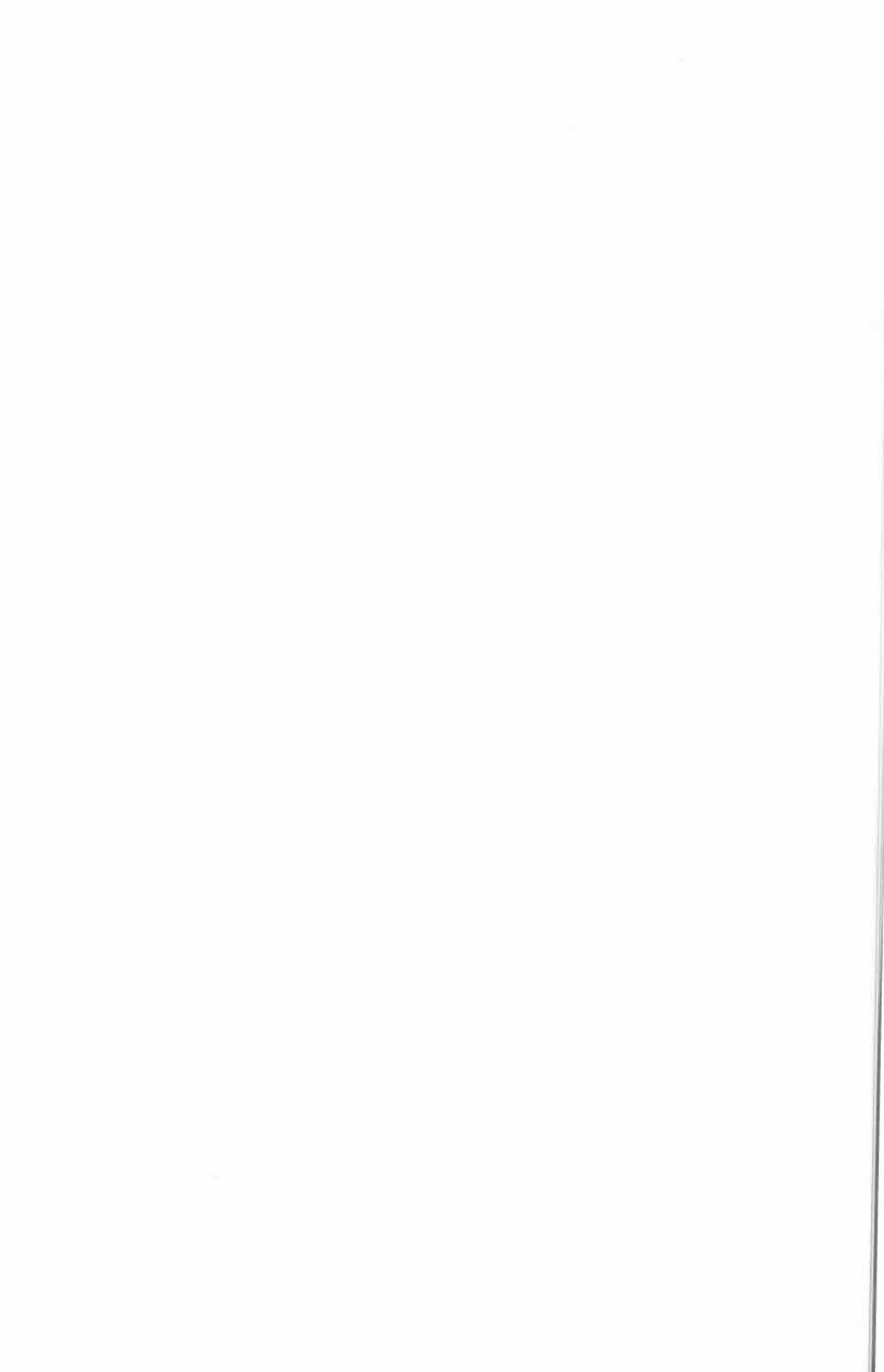
## 2.5 Adoption of committee report—Amendments moved

At the conclusion of the *committee of the whole* stage of a bill or package of bills, the proceedings in committee of the whole are reported to the Senate. Amendments may be moved to the motion to adopt the report from the committee. Such amendments do not affect the text of the bill or bills, but typically propose the reference of related matters to committees or orders for the production of documents or express an opinion about the bill as it has emerged from the committee stage.

For information on the legislative process see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation*.

<b>Number of bills, or packages of bills, to which amendments were moved:</b>	<b>2</b>
Amendments moved.....	2
Amendments agreed to.....	2

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Moved by</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008	1 Opp	Agreed to
Water Amendment Bill 2008	1 Opp (as amended by 1 AG and 1 Xenophon)	Agreed to



## 2.6 Bills negatived or discharged from *Notice Paper*

A senator may move that an order of the day (a matter which the Senate has ordered to be taken into consideration on a particular day) relating to a bill be discharged from the *Notice Paper*, pursuant to standing order 97(4).

### Number of bills:

Laid aside by the House of Representatives: .....	1
Negatived at second reading: .....	12
Negatived at third reading: .....	1
Discharged from <i>Notice Paper</i> : .....	2
Subsequently passed by the Senate: .....	4

Bill short title	Origin
A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—Customs) Amendment Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 4 September 2008) (Second reading moved again and agreed to. Bill passed 23 September 2008)	House of Representatives
A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—Excise) Amendment Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 4 September 2008) (Second reading moved again and agreed to. Bill passed 23 September 2008)	House of Representatives
A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—General) Amendment Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 4 September 2008) (Second reading moved again and agreed to. Bill passed 23 September 2008)	House of Representatives
Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 19 March 2008)	House of Representatives
Migration Legislation Amendment (Complementary Protection Visas) Bill 2006 [2008] (Negatived at second reading 20 March 2008)	Senate (Senator Bartlett (AD))
National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 12 November 2008)	House of Representatives

Bill short title	Origin
National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 12 November 2008)	House of Representatives
National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical and Other Benefits—Cost Recovery) Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 28 August 2008)	House of Representatives
Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Feed-in-Tariff) Bill 2008 (Discharged from <i>Notice Paper</i> 11 November 2008)	Senate (Senator Milne (AG))
Road Transport Charges (Australian Capital Territory) Repeal Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 19 March 2008)	House of Representatives
Safe Work Australia Bill 2008 (Laid aside by the House of Representatives 4 December 2008)	House of Representatives
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Employment Services Reform) Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 4 December 2008)	House of Representatives
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008 (Negatived at third reading 26 June 2008)	House of Representatives
Tax Laws Amendment (Luxury Car Tax) Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 4 September 2008) (Second reading moved again and agreed to. Bill passed 25 September 2008)	House of Representatives
Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy Surcharge Thresholds) Bill 2008 (Negatived at second reading 24 September 2008)	House of Representatives
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Communications Fund) Bill 2008 (Discharged from <i>Notice Paper</i> 17 June 2008)	House of Representatives

## 2.7 Amendments and requests—Disagreements

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Before it can become a law, a bill must be agreed to by both the Senate and the House of Representatives in precisely the same form. If there is a disagreement over amendments or requests, a bill may be transmitted between the two Houses a number of times until the Houses finally agree to it in the same form or it is abandoned. These negotiations on amendments and requests are conducted by the consideration of *messages* between the Houses. The details of this consideration are listed below.

For more information on the legislative process, see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation* and *No. 15 – Communication Between the Houses - Dealing with Messages*.

### **Bills on which there were disagreements between the Houses:** **10**

#### **Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Television Switch-over) Bill 2008—*Senate bill***

The House of Representatives made 7 amendments to the bill.

The Senate agreed to 2 amendments and disagreed to 5 amendments made by the House—I Opposition consequential amendment agreed to (5 December 2008 am).

The House did not insist on its amendments and agreed to the consequential amendment made by the Senate (5 December 2008 am).

Bill passed both Houses.

#### **Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

The Senate made 7 amendments to the bill.

The House agreed to 5 amendments and disagreed to 2 amendments made by the Senate (25 June 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendments (26 June 2008).

Bill passed both Houses.

#### **Infrastructure Australia Bill 2008**

The Senate made 6 amendments to the bill.

The House disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate (19 March 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendments (20 March 2008).

Bill passed both Houses.

#### **Nation-building Funds Bill 2008**

The Senate made 76 amendments to the bill and negatived 2 clauses.

The House disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate (4 December 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendments (5 December 2008 am).

Bill passed both Houses.

### **Nation-building Funds (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

The Senate made 1 amendment to the bill and negated 6 items.

The House disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate (4 December 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendments (5 December 2008 am).

Bill passed both Houses.

### **Safe Work Australia Bill 2008**

The Senate made 12 amendments to the bill and negated 13 subclauses and 1 Division.

The House disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate (20 October 2008).

The Senate insisted on its amendments (10 November 2008).

The House insisted on disagreeing to the amendments (11 November 2008).

The Senate further insisted on its amendments (4 December 2008).

Bill laid aside by the House (4 December 2008).

### **Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—Superannuation) Bill 2008**

The Senate made 4 amendments to the bill.

The House agreed to 3 amendments made by the Senate, disagreed to 1 amendment and made 4 amendments in place of that amendment (25 November 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendment and agreed to the replacement amendments made by the House (26 November 2008).

Bill passed both Houses.

### **Schools Assistance Bill 2008**

The Senate made 8 amendments to the bill and negated 1 clause.

The House agreed to 8 amendments made by the Senate and disagreed to 1 amendment (3 December 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendment—1 Family First amendment was moved and negated (4 December 2008).

Bill passed both Houses.

### **Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

The Senate made 7 amendments to the bill.

The House agreed to 5 amendments made by the Senate, disagreed to 2 amendments and made 6 further amendments (16 October 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendments and agreed to the further amendments made by the House (10 November 2008).

Bill passed both Houses.



### **Water Amendment Bill 2008**

The Senate made 16 amendments to the bill.

The House agreed to 3 amendments made by the Senate, disagreed to 12 amendments and made an amendment to 1 amendment (1 December 2008).

The Senate did not insist on its amendments and agreed to the amendment made by the House to the Senate's amendment (2 December 2008).

The motion that the report from the committee be adopted was amended (1 Opp amendment as amended by 1 AG amendment and 1 Xenophon amendment) and the debate was adjourned (2 December 2008).

Motion that the report from the committee be adopted agreed to (4 December 2008).

Bill passed both Houses.



## 2.8 Bills, or provisions of bills, referred to committees

Bills may be referred to committees at any stage for inquiry and report. The *provisions* of many bills are referred before the bill is received from the House of Representatives to maximise the time available for the committee inquiry.

Committees may table reports on any sitting day, or may present them when the Senate is not sitting, in which case the report is tabled on the next available sitting day.

For more information refer to *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 9 – Consideration of Legislation* and *No. 7 – Referring Matters to Committees* and *Senate Brief No. 4 – Senate Committees*.

### Number of bills referred to committees:

Referred in 2008.....	92
Referred in 2007, report (or interim report) tabled 2008.....	3

### Bill short title

### Committee

*Where the bill is a private senator's bill or a private member's bill the name of the senator or member who introduced it is shown*

A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—Customs) Amendment Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 28/08/08
A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—Excise) Amendment Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 28/08/08
A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—General) Amendment Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 28/08/08
Aged Care Amendment (2008 Measures No. 2) Bill 2008	CA	Referred Presented Tabled	16/10/08 20/11/08 24/11/08
Alcohol Toll Reduction Bill 2007 [2008] ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	CA	Referred Tabled Additional information tabled	14/02/08 18/06/08 25/06/08 26/08/08
ATMs and Cash Facilities in Licensed Venues Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Xenophon</i> )	CA	Referred Tabled Additional information tabled	04/09/08 10/10/08 25/11/08

Bill short title	Committee		
Australian Securities and Investments Commission (Fair Bank and Credit Card Fees) Amendment Bill 2007 ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	Eco	Referred Interim report tabled Further interim report presented Tabled	16/08/07 17/09/07 11/02/08 12/02/08
Australian Securities and Investments Commission (Fair Bank and Credit Card Fees) Amendment Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	Eco	Referred Tabled	19/03/08 16/09/08
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Radio) Bill 2008	ECA	Referred Tabled	25/09/08 13/10/08
Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Television Switch-over) Bill 2008	ECA	Referred Tabled	25/09/08 25/10/08
Building and Construction Industry (Restoring Workplace Rights) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Siewert</i> )	EEWR	Referred Presented Tabled	03/09/08 28/11/08 01/12/08
Commonwealth Electoral (Above-the-Line Voting) Amendment Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Bob Brown</i> )	EM	Referred Report date unspecified; in conjunction with the committee's inquiry into the 2007 Federal Election	14/05/08
Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2008	EM	Referred Advisory report tabled	18/06/08 10/10/08
Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management (Repeal and Consequential Amendment) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Ludlam</i> )	ECA	Referred Presented	25/09/08 18/12/08
Corporations Amendment (Short Selling) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	13/10/08 27/11/08
Crimes Legislation Amendment (Child Sex Tourism Offences and Related Measures) Bill 2007	LCA	Referred Report presented Additional information presented Report and additional information tabled	20/09/07 10/10/07 30/11/07 12/02/08
Defence Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2008	FADT	Referred Report due	04/12/08 20/02/09

Bill short title	Committee		
Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Report due	04/12/08 24/02/09
Drink Container Recycling Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	ECA	Referred Tabled <i>(in conjunction with the committee's inquiry into management of Australia's waste streams)</i>	20/03/08 03/09/08
Economic regeneration—			
A Bill for an Act about the Building Australia Fund, the Education Investment Fund and the Health and Hospitals Fund, and for other purposes [Nation-building Funds Bill 2008]	Eco	Referred Tabled	15/10/08 02/12/08
A related bill [Nation-building Funds (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008]	Eco	Referred Tabled	15/10/08 02/12/08
A bill to establish the COAG Reform Fund, and for other purposes [COAG Reform Fund Bill 2008]	Eco	Referred Tabled	15/10/08 02/12/08
Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	EEWR	Referred Tabled	15/10/08 27/11/08
Emergency Water (Murray-Darling Basin Rescue) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Xenophon</i> )	RRAT	Referred Interim report presented Report presented Reports tabled <i>(in conjunction with the committee's inquiry into management of the Murray-Darling Basin system)</i>	28/08/08 03/10/08 10/10/08 13/10/08
Evidence Amendment Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 25/09/08
Excise Legislation Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 27/08/08
Excise Tariff Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 27/08/08

<b>Bill short title</b>	<b>Committee</b>		
Fair WorkBill 2008	EEWR	Referred Report due	25/1d/08 27/02/09
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008	FPA	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 24/06/08
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Emergency Response Consolidation) Bill 2008	CA	Referred Interim report presented Tabled Report tabled Additional information tabled	19/03/08 07/05/08 13/05/08 15/05/08 25/06/08
Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Further 2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008	CA	Referred Tabled	18/09/08 10/1d/08
Family Law Amendment (De Facto Financial Matters and Other Measures) Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Tabled Additional information tabled	26/06/08 28/08/08 25/09/08
Federal Court of Australia Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction) Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Report due	04/12/08 20/02/09
Federal Justice System Amendment (Efficiency Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2008	LCA	Referred Report due	04/12/08 17/02/09
Freedom of Information (Removal of Conclusive Certificates and Other Measures) Bill 2008	FPA	Referred Report due	26/1d/08 10/03/09
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	ECA	Referred Tabled Additional comments tabled	01/09/08 15/09/08 18/09/08
Horse Disease Response Levy Bill 2008	RRAT	Referred Interim report presented Tabled Report tabled	04/09/08 03/10/08 13/10/08 13/11/08
Horse Disease Response Levy Collection Bill 2008	RRAT	Referred Interim report presented Tabled Report tabled	04/09/08 03/10/08 13/10/08 13/11/08

Bill short title	Committee		
Horse Disease Response Levy (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008	RRAT	Referred	04/09/08
		Interim report presented	03/10/08
		Tabled	13/10/08
		Report tabled	13/11/08
Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Laws Bill 2008 [No. 2] ( <i>Senators Troeth and Humphries</i> )	LCA	Referred	02/09/08
		Tabled	14/10/08
Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2008	RRAT	Referred	15/10/08
		Presented	21/11/08
		Tabled	24/11/08
Migration Legislation Amendment (Worker Protection) Bill 2008	LCA	Referred	15/10/08
		Interim report presented	07/11/08
		Tabled	10/11/08
		Report tabled	10/11/08
National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	18/06/08
		Interim report tabled	27/08/08
		Report tabled	14/10/08
National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	18/06/08
		Interim report tabled	27/08/08
		Report tabled	14/10/08
National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical and Other Benefits— Cost Recovery) Bill 2008	CA	Referred	18/06/08
		Presented	22/08/08
		Tabled	26/08/08
		Additional information tabled	26/08/08
National Market Driven Energy Efficiency Target Bill 2007 ( <i>Senator Allison</i> )	Eco	Referred	16/08/07
		Interim report tabled	17/09/07
		Further interim report presented	11/02/08
		Tabled	12/02/08
National Market Driven Energy Efficiency Target Bill 2007 [2008] ( <i>Senator Allison</i> )	Eco	Referred	12/03/08
		Presented	30/05/08
		Tabled	16/06/08
National Rental Affordability Scheme Bill 2008	CA	Referred	25/09/08
		Presented	12/11/08
		Tabled	13/11/08
National Rental Affordability Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008	CA	Referred	25/09/08
		Presented	12/11/08
		Tabled	13/11/08

Bill short title	Committee		
Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	25/06/08 23/09/08
Offshore Petroleum (Annual Fees) Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	25/06/08 23/09/08
Offshore Petroleum (Registration Fees) Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	25/06/08 23/09/08
Offshore Petroleum (Safety Levies) Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	25/06/08 23/09/08
Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 24/06/08
Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Bob Brown</i> )	FPA	Referred Report due	13/11/08 15/06/09
Poker Machine Harm Minimisation Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	CA	Referred Tabled Additional information tabled	25/06/08 10/11/08 25/11/08
Poker Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	CA	Referred Tabled Additional information tabled	12/03/08 10/11/08 25/11/08
Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising (Broadcasting Amendment) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Bob Brown</i> )	CA	Referred Tabled	04/09/08 02/12/08
Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Feed-in-Tariff) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Milne</i> )	ECA	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 10/11/08
Renewable Energy Legislation Amendment (Renewable Power Percentage) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Allison</i> )	Eco	Referred Presented Tabled	12/03/08 30/05/08 16/06/08
Reserve Bank Amendment (Enhanced Independence) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Interim report presented Report presented Reports tabled	14/05/08 30/05/08 11/06/08 16/06/08



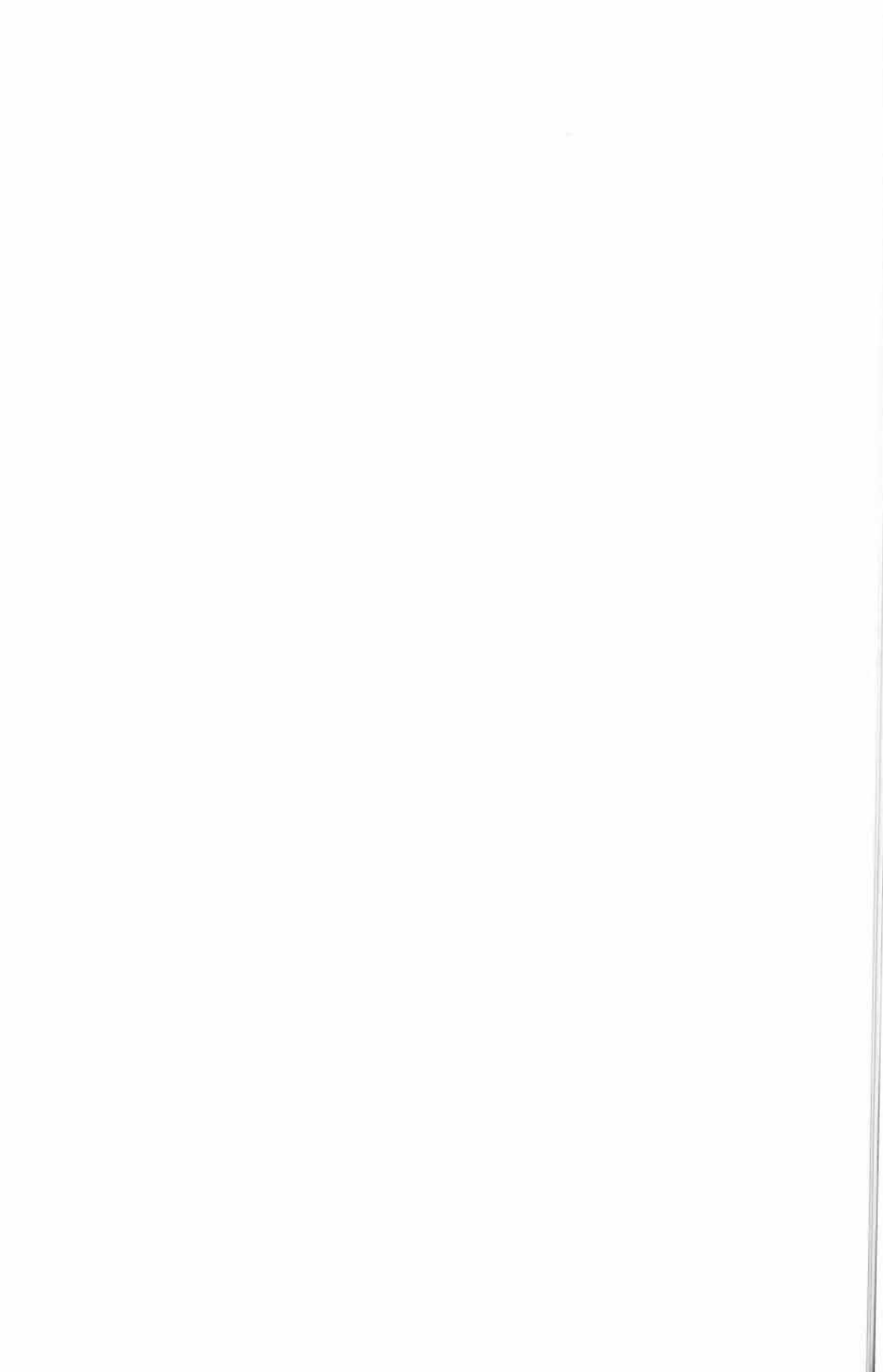
Bill short title	Committee		
Rights of the Terminally Ill (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Bob Brown</i> )	LCA	Referred Tabled	12/03/08 26/06/08
Road Charges Legislation Repeal and Amendment Bill 2008	RRAT	Referred Presented Tabled	15/10/08 21/10/08 24/11/08
Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—General Law Reform) Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Tabled	04/09/08 14/10/08
Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—Superannuation) Bill 2008	LCA	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 14/10/08
Save Our Solar (Solar Rebate Protection) Bill 2008 [No. 2] ( <i>Senator Johnston</i> )	ECA	Referred Interim report presented Report presented Reports tabled	25/06/08 15/08/08 25/08/08 26/08/08
Schools Assistance Bill 2008	EEWR	Referred Tabled	15/10/08 27/11/08
Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Schooling Requirements) Bill 2008	CA	Referred Tabled Additional information tabled	03/09/08 13/10/08 25/10/08
Social Security Legislation Amendment (Employment Services Reform) Bill 2008	EEWR	Referred Tabled	25/09/08 24/10/08
Stolen Generation Compensation Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Bartlett</i> )	LCA	Referred Tabled	12/03/08 16/06/08
Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Presented Tabled Minority report by Senator Xenophon tabled	25/09/08 18/10/08 24/11/08 24/10/08
Tax Agent Services Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Report due	26/11/08 12/02/09
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008—Schedule 1	EM	Referred Tabled	19/03/08 17/06/08
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 3) Bill 2008—Schedules 1 and 2	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 28/08/08

Bill short title	Committee		
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 4) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	26/06/08
		Tabled	26/08/08
Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 5) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	25/09/08
		Interim report tabled	13/10/08
		Report tabled	10/11/08
		Additional comments by Opposition senators tabled	24/11/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	18/06/08
		Tabled	24/06/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Education Refund) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	25/09/08
		Tabled	13/10/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Luxury Car Tax) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	18/06/08
		Tabled	28/08/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy Surcharge Thresholds) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	18/06/08
		Tabled	27/08/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Personal Income Tax Reduction) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	12/03/08
		Presented	01/05/08
		Tabled	13/05/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Political Contributions and Gifts) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	03/09/08
		Presented	20/10/08
		Tabled	10/11/08
Tax Laws Amendment (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred	04/12/08
		Report due	20/02/09
Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2008	LCA	Referred	19/03/08
		Interim report presented	01/05/08
		Report presented	06/05/08
		Reports tabled	13/05/08
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Communications Fund) Bill 2008	ECA	Referred	19/03/08
		Presented	30/04/08
		Tabled	13/05/08
Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (National Broadband Network) Bill 2008	ECA	Referred	20/03/08
		Interim report presented	07/05/08
		Report presented	09/05/08
		Reports tabled	13/05/08

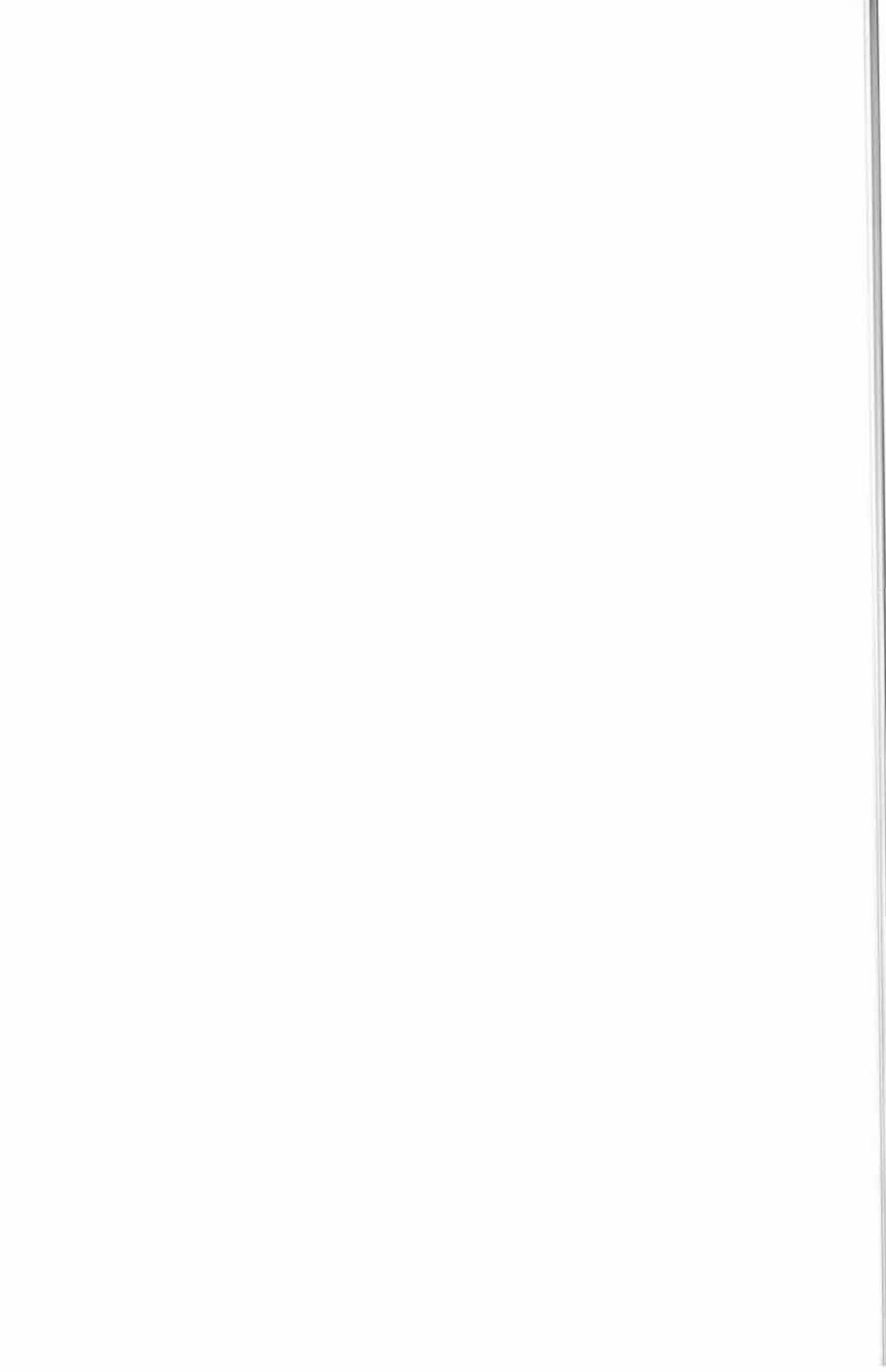
Bill short title	Committee		
Temporary Residents' Superannuation Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Presented Tabled Minority report by Senator Xenophon tabled	25/09/08 18/11/08 24/11/08 24/11/08
Trade Practices Amendment (Cartel Conduct and Other Measures) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Report due	04/12/08 20/02/09
Trade Practices (Creeping Acquisitions) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008] ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	Eco	Referred Tabled	26/06/08 26/08/08
Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Tabled	26/06/08 26/08/08
Unit Pricing (Easy comparison of grocery prices) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Fielding</i> )	Eco	Referred Tabled	18/06/08 01/09/08
Uranium Royalty (Northern Territory) Bill 2008	Eco	Referred Report due	04/12/08 30/04/09
Water Amendment Bill 2008	RRAT	Referred Interim report presented Report presented Reports tabled Corrigendum tabled	15/10/08 19/11/08 21/11/08 24/11/08 27/11/08
Water Amendment (Saving the Goulburn and Murray Rivers) Bill 2008 ( <i>Senator Birmingham</i> )	ECA	Referred Report due	04/12/08 27/03/09
Workplace Relations Amendment (Transition to Forward with Fairness) Bill 2008	EEWR	Referred Tabled	14/02/08 17/03/08

### Abbreviations

CA	Community Affairs Committee
Eco	Economics Committee
ECA	Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee
EEWR	Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee
EM	Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters
FADT	Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee
FPA	Finance and Public Administration Committee
LCA	Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
RRAT	Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee



### Section 3: Other business



## 3.1 Notices of motion for disallowance

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Many Acts of Parliament delegate to the executive government the power to make detailed rules and regulations (*delegated legislation*). Regulations and most other instruments made in this way are subject to the power of either House to veto or *disallow* them.

In most cases, within 15 sitting days after tabling a senator may give notice of a motion to disallow the regulations. If the motion is agreed to, the regulations are disallowed and cease to have effect. If a notice of motion to disallow regulations has not been resolved or withdrawn within 15 sitting days after having been given, the regulations are *deemed* to have been disallowed and they automatically cease to have effect.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 1 – Disallowance*.

### Disallowance motions moved:

Moved and agreed to.....	3
Moved and negatived .....	1

### Notices of motion for disallowance:

Given and subsequently withdrawnd.....	28
Still before the Senate .....	0

### Disallowance motions moved and agreed to:

#### *Fuel Tax Act 2006*—Road User Charge Determination 2008 (No. 1)

Notice given 20 March 2008 (Senator Scullion)

Moved, debated and agreed to 14 May 2008

#### *Health Insurance Act 1973*—Health Insurance (Dental Services) Amendment and Repeal Determination 2008, made under subsection 3C(1)

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Senator Colbeck)

Moved, debated and agreed to (division) 19 June 2008

#### *Higher Education Support Act 2003*—Amendment 2 to the Commonwealth Grant Scheme Guidelines No. 1 made under section 238-10

Notice given 20 March 2008 (Senator Mason)

Moved, debated and agreed to (division) 14 May 2008

**Disallowance motions moved and negated:**

*Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*—Environmental and Natural Resource Management Guidelines in relation to the establishment of trees for the purposes of carbon sequestration, made under subsection 40-1010(3)

Notice given 24 September 2008 (Senator Milne)

Moved, debated and negated (division) 1 December 2008

**Notices of motion for disallowance given and subsequently withdrawn:**

*A New Tax System (Family Assistance) (Administration) Act 1999*—Family Assistance (Public Interest Certificate Guidelines) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2008, made under subparagraph 169(1)(a)(i) and paragraph 169(1)(b)

Notice given 15 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 23 September 2008

*Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005*—Torres Strait Regional Authority Section 142S Declaration 2008, made under subsection 142S(1)

Notice given 23 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 2 September 2008

*Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals (Administration) Act 1992*—Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Amendment Instrument No. 1 (Trial Protocols) 2008, made under subsection 32(1)

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 24 June 2008

*Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994*—Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Amendment Order 2007 (No. 1), made under subsection 7(1)

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 24 June 2008



*Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994*—Listable Chemicals Product (Home Swimming Pool and Spa Products) Standard 2007, made under section 56D

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 24 June 2008

*Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994*—Listable Chemicals Product (Joint Health Products for Dogs and Horses) Standard 2007, made under section 56D

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 24 June 2008

*Christmas Island Act 1958*—Determination of Fees for Water and Sewerage Services No. 1 of 2008, made under section 9

Notice given 25 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 11 November 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 222/07, made under regulation 208

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 26 August 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 364/07, made under regulation 208

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 26 August 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 445/07, made under regulation 208

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 26 August 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 450/07, made under regulation 208

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 26 August 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 389/08, made under regulation 208  
Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))  
Withdrawn 4 December 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 390/08, made under regulation 208  
Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))  
Withdrawn 4 December 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 397/08, made under subregulation 38(1)  
Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))  
Withdrawn 4 December 2008

Civil Aviation Regulations 1988—Instrument No. CASA 414/08, made under subregulation 38(1)  
Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))  
Withdrawn 4 December 2008

*Cocos (Keeling) Islands Act 1955*—Determination of Fees for Water and Sewerage Services No 1 of 2008, made under section 12  
Notice given 25 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))  
Withdrawn 11 November 2008

*Corporations Act 2001*—ASIC Class Order [CO 07/753], made under paragraphs 601QA(1)(a), 911A(2)(1), 1020F(1)(a) and 1020F(1)(c)  
Notice given 14 May 2008 (Senator Watson)  
Withdrawn 24 June 2008

*Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) Act 1990*—Defence Force (Home Loans Assistance) Amendment Regulations 2008 (No. 1), as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2008 No. 138  
Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))  
Withdrawn 25 November 2008

Export Control (Orders) Regulations 1982—Livestock Export (Merino) Orders (Amendment) No. 1 of 2008, made under regulation 3

Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 11 November 2008

*Health Insurance Act 1973*—Item 16525 in Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Health Insurance (General Medical Services Table) Regulations 2007, as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2007 No. 355

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Senator Barnett)

Withdrawn 17 September 2008

*Higher Education Support Act 2003*—Higher Education in External Territories Guidelines 2008, made under section 238-10

Notice given 18 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 13 October 2008

*Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*—Film Certification Advisory Board Rules 2008, made under subsection 376-260(1)

Notice given 24 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 23 September 2008

*Migration Act 1958*—Migration Amendment Regulations 2007 (No. 14), as contained in Select Legislative Instrument 2007 No. 356

Notice given 18 June 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 2 September 2008

*Private Health Insurance Act 2007*—Private Health Insurance (Benefit Requirements) Rules 2008 (No. 2), made under item 3A of the table in section 333-20

Notice given 24 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 11 November 2008

*Social Security (Administration) Act 1999*—Social Security (Public Interest Certificate Guidelines) (DEEWR) Amendment Determination 2008, made under subparagraph 209(a)(i) and paragraph 209(b)

Notice given 23 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 13 October 2008

*Social Security (Administration) Act 1999*—Social Security (Public Interest Certificate Guidelines) (FaHCSIA) Determination 2008, made under subparagraph 209(a)(i) and paragraph 209(b)

Notice given 15 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 23 September 2008

*Student Assistance Act 1973*—Student Assistance (Public Interest Certificate Guidelines) Determination 2008, made under paragraph 356(1)(a)

Notice given 2 September 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 23 September 2008

*Wool Services Privatisation Act 2000*—Wool Services Privatisation (Research Body) Declaration 2008, made under subsection 30(1)

Notice given 13 October 2008 (Chair of the Standing Committee on Regulations and Ordinances (Senator Wortley))

Withdrawn 25 November 2008

## 3.2 Statements by the President and the Chair of Committees

### Number of statements made by:

The President of the Senate: .....	15
Chair of Committees .....	3

Statement	Date	Journals page
Department of Parliamentary Services—Appointment of secretary	19/03/08	286
Department of the Senate—Usher of the Black Rod—Retirement	04/12/08	1414
End of 2008 sittings	05/12/08 am	1475
Incorporation of documents in Hansard	28/08/08	747
Legislation—Amendments and requests for amendments*	22/09/08	904
Legislation—Amendments and requests for amendments*	25/09/08	958
Legislation—Amendments and requests for amendments*	03/12/08	1393
Office of President of the Senate	26/06/06	656
Parliament House—Breastfeeding accreditation	16/10/08	1035
Parliament—Parliamentary computer network	13/05/08	333
Question time	28/08/08	761
Question time—Rules for questions	23/06/08	562
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Restructuring question time	24/1d/08	1231
Restructuring question time	25/1d/08	1267
Unparliamentary language	18/03/08	247
Unparliamentary language	13/05/08	333
Unparliamentary language	27/11/08	1323

\* Statement by Chair of Committees



## 3.3 Ministerial statements

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Number of ministerial statements:

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Statement	Date
<b>Administration—COAG business regulation agreement and small business initiatives</b> Senator Wong (for the Minister for Small Business, Independent Contractors and the Service Economy)	01/12/08
<b>Administration—Goongong Dam</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Finance and Deregulation)	23/09/08
<b>Administration—National security</b> Senator Faulkner (for the Prime Minister)	04/12/08
<b>Administration—Norfolk Island governance</b> Senator Faulkner (for the Minister for Home Affairs)	10/1d/08
<b>Administration—Restoring integrity to government</b> Senator Faulkner (Special Minister of State)	04/12/08
<b>Best practice regulation requirements</b> Senator Faulkner (for the Minister for Finance and Deregulation)	17/03/08
<b>Children—Intercountry adoption</b> Senator Carr (for the Attorney-General)	02/09/08
<b>Culture and the Arts—Australia's resale royalty right</b> Senator Faulkner (for the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts)	10/11/08

Statement	Date
<b>Defence—Afghanistan</b> Senator Sherry (for the Minister for Defence)	11/03/08
<b>Defence—East Timor</b> Senator Conroy (for the Minister for Defence)	23/06/08
<b>Defence—Iraq</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Prime Minister)	16/06/08
<b>Defence—Mortimer review into defence procurement and sustainment</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Defence)	23/09/08
<b>Economics—A national consumer law</b> Senator Sherry (for the Assistant Treasurer)	17/09/08
<b>Economics—Australia's response to the global financial crisis</b> Senator Sherry (for the Prime Minister)	26/11/08
<b>Economics—Global economy</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Treasurer)	22/09/08
<b>Economics—Global market turbulence and the Australian economy</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Treasurer)	18/03/08
<b>Economics—National Product Safety Reform</b> Senator Evans (for the Assistant Treasurer)	18/06/08



Statement	Date
<p><b>Economics—Small business</b>            Senator Faulkner            (for the Minister for Small Business, Independent Contractors and the Service Economy)</p>	24/06/08
<p><b>Economics—The Australian economy and global conditions</b>            Senator Carr            (for the Treasurer)</p>	04/09/08
<p><b>Employment—Reform of employment services in Australia</b>            Senator Stephens            (for the Minister for Employment Participation)</p>	01/09/08
<p><b>Environment—Australia's ratification of the Kyoto Protocol</b>            Senator Sherry            (for the Prime Minister)</p>	11/03/08
<p><b>Environment—Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme</b>            Senator Wong            (Minister for Climate Change and Water)</p>	01/12/08
<p><b>Environment—Caring for our country</b>            Senator Carr            (for the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts)</p>	25/09/08
<p><b>Environment—Global food security</b>            Senator McLucas            (for the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)</p>	12/10/08
<p><b>Family and Community Services—110th birthday of Mrs Doreen Washington</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Ageing)</p>	16/06/08
<p><b>Family and Community Services—Certainty and security for seniors and carers</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs)</p>	16/06/08

Statement	Date
<p><b>Family and Community Services—Fertility policy</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and            Indigenous Affairs)</p>	12/03/08
<p><b>Family and Community Services—Progress on housing            affordability programs</b>            Senator Sherry            (for the Minister for Housing)</p>	16/09/08
<p><b>Family and Community Services—The centenary of the age            pension</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and            Indigenous Affairs)</p>	16/06/08
<p><b>Family and Community Services—Unannounced visits at nursing            homes</b>            Senator McLucas            (for the Minister for Ageing)</p>	27/08/08
<p><b>Finance—Financial stability</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Treasurer)</p>	16/06/08
<p><b>Foreign Affairs—60th anniversary of United Nations peacekeeping            operations</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	16/06/08
<p><b>Foreign Affairs—Fiji—Australian High Commission—Security            threats</b>            Senator Faulkner            (Special Minister of State)</p>	15/05/08
<p><b>Foreign Affairs—Financial sanctions on Burma</b>            Senator Faulkner            (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	10/11/08
<p><b>Foreign Affairs—India—Terrorist attacks</b>            Senator Faulkner            (Special Minister of State)</p>	27/1d/08

Statement	Date
<p><b>Foreign Affairs—Iran</b>            Senator McLucas            (for the Minister for Foreign Affairs)</p>	15/10/08
<p><b>Foreign Affairs—OECD Working Group on Bribery</b>            Senator Conroy            (for the Minister for Home Affairs)</p>	23/06/08
<p><b>Health—60th anniversary of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme</b>            Senator Stephens            (for the Minister for Health and Ageing)</p>	25/06/08
<p><b>Health—Commonwealth chief nursing and midwifery and other health reforms</b>            Senator Conroy            (for the Minister for Health and Ageing)</p>	23/06/08
<p><b>Health—Dementia Awareness Week</b>            Senator McLucas            (for the Minister for Ageing)</p>	18/09/08
<p><b>Immigration—Citizen test review</b>            Senator Faulkner            (for the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship)</p>	24/11/08
<p><b>Indigenous Australians—Bipartisan NT Indigenous aged care services visit</b>            Senator Conroy            (for the Minister for Ageing)</p>	13/10/08
<p><b>Indigenous Australians—Indigenous legal funding</b>            Senator Evans            (for the Minister for Home Affairs)</p>	18/06/08
<p><b>Indigenous Australians—Northern Territory emergency response</b>            Senator Stephens            (for the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs)</p>	19/06/08

Statement	Date
<p><b>Industry—Western Australian gas disruption</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Resources, Energy and Tourism)</p>	16/06/08
<p><b>Lobbying code of conduct and register of lobbyists</b>            Senator Faulkner            (Special Minister of State)</p>	13/05/08
<p><b>Parliament—Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2008</b>            Senator Faulkner            (Special Minister of State)</p>	03/12/08
<p><b>Primary Industries—Equine influenza inquiry</b>            Senator Sherry            (for the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)</p>	26/06/08
<p><b>Regional Australia—Drought</b>            Senator Faulkner            (for the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)</p>	24/06/08
<p><b>Regional Australia—Regional development Australia</b>            Senator McLucas            (for the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government)</p>	13/05/08
<p><b>Science and Technology—Australian Laureate Fellowships Scheme and New Chief Executive of CSIRO</b>            Senator Carr            (Minister for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research)</p>	04/09/08
<p><b>Science and Technology—Australia's geothermal resources</b>            Senator Sherry            (for the Minister for Resources, Energy and Tourism)</p>	16/09/08
<p><b>Social Issues—Draft Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Attorney-General)</p>	02/12/08

Statement	Date
<b>Social Issues—Older Australians</b> Senator Stephens (for the Minister for Ageing)	25/06/08
<b>Social Issues—Which way home? The Government's green paper on homelessness</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Housing)	16/06/08
<b>Trade—Asia Pacific Economic Co-operation</b> Senator Faulkner (for the Minister for Trade)	24/06/08
<b>Trade—Australia-New Zealand Leadership Forum</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Trade)	16/06/08
<b>Trade—Conclusion of negotiations on Australia-Chile Free Trade Agreement</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Trade)	16/06/08
<b>Trade—Mortimer review on export policies and programs</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Trade)	22/09/08
<b>Trade—Review of export policies and program</b> Senator Sherry (for the Minister for Trade)	11/03/08
<b>Trade—Trans Pacific Partnership</b> Senator Sherry (for the Minister for Trade)	26/11/08
<b>Trade—World Intellectual Property Organization—Nomination of new Director-General</b> Senator Ludwig (for the Minister for Trade)	16/06/08

Statement	Date
<p><b>Trade—WTO—The July ministerial talks</b>            Senator McLucas            (for the Minister for Trade)</p>	26/08/08
<p><b>Transport—Australia-United States ‘Open Skies’ Agreement</b>            Senator Sherry            (for the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development            and Local Government)</p>	11/03/08
<p><b>Transport—Aviation training package</b>            Senator Stephens            (for the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development            and Local Government)</p>	25/06/08
<p><b>Transport—Runway end safety area project at Sydney Airport</b>            Senator Conroy            (for the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development            and Local Government)</p>	13/10/08
<p><b>Transport—World Environment Day—Fuel efficient cars</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Prime Minister)</p>	16/06/08
<p><b>Wheat Export Marketing Bill 2008</b>            Senator Wong            (for the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry)</p>	13/03/08
<p><b>Youth 2020 Summit</b>            Senator Sherry            (for the Minister for Youth)</p>	11/03/08
<p><b>Youth—Australian Youth Forum</b>            Senator Ludwig            (for the Minister for Youth)</p>	16/10/08

## 3.4 Matters of public importance

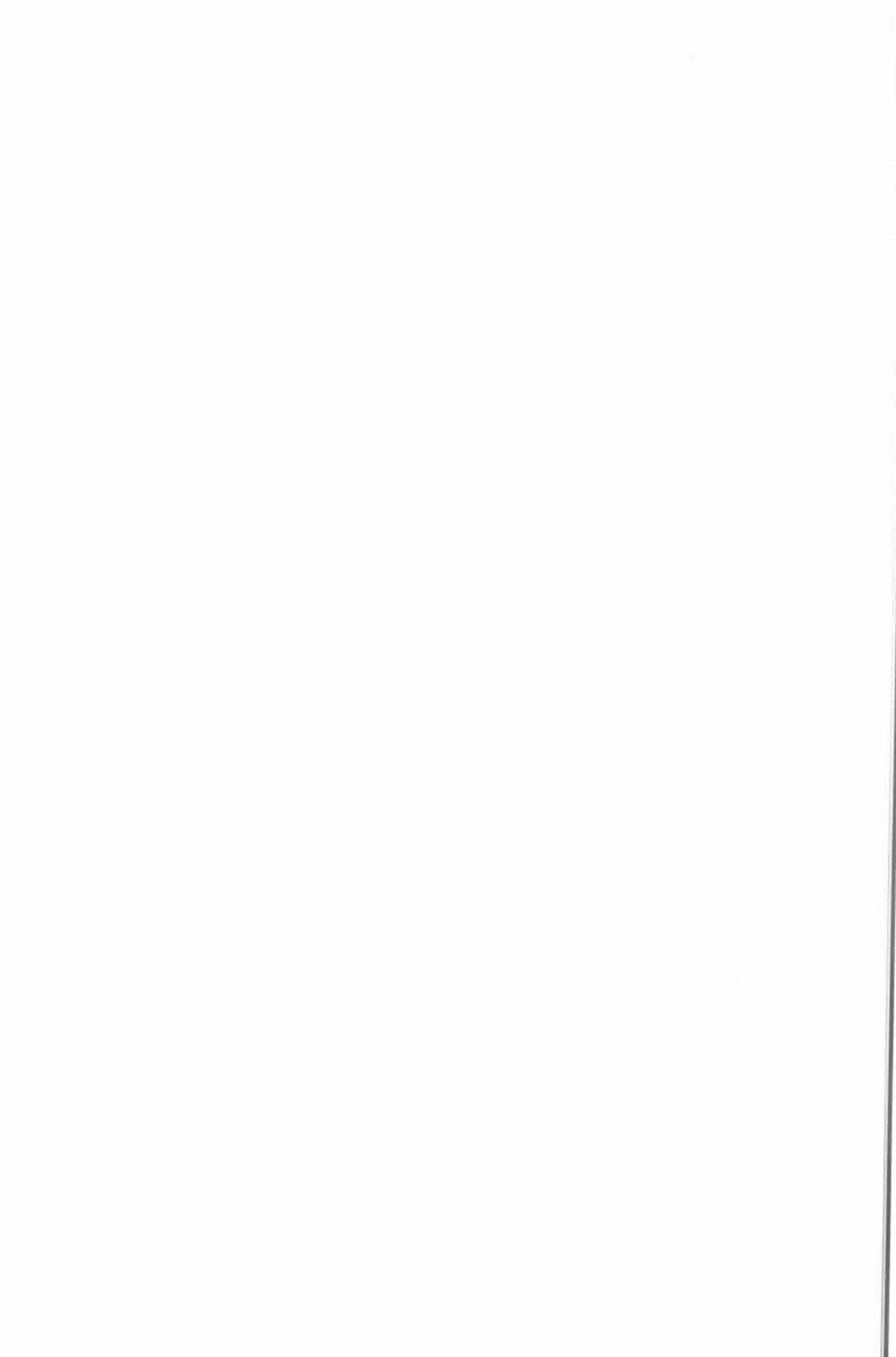
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Matters of public importance may be proposed by senators on any sitting day pursuant to standing order 75. At the conclusion of the debate there is no vote taken on the substantive issue of the matter.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 10 – Matters of Public Importance and Urgency Debates*.

**Number of matters of public importance discussed:** **9**

<b>Matter</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Journals page</b>
<b>Economics—Management of the economy</b> Senator Abetz	15/10/08	1028
<b>Economics—Western Australia</b> Senator Johnston	02/09/08	783
<b>Education</b> Senator Mason	16/09/08	854
<b>Environment—Murray-Darling Basin System</b> Senator Bernardi	03/09/08	797
<b>Environment—Murray-Darling Basin System</b> Senator Fisher	17/09/08	868
<b>Industry—Automotive industry</b> Senator Abetz	10/11/08	1080
<b>Regional Australia—Health services and road infrastructure</b> Senator Nash	01/09/08	771
<b>Rudd Government</b> Senator Mason	24/11/08	1237
<b>Social Issues—Age pensions</b> Senator Bernardi	24/09/08	940





## 3.5 Urgency motions

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Urgency motions may be proposed by senators on any sitting day pursuant to standing order 75. At the conclusion of the debate a procedural vote is taken as to whether the matter is considered urgent or not.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 10 – Matters of Public Importance and Urgency Debates*.

**Number of urgency motions:**

**2**

<b>Matter of urgency</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Journals page</b>
<b>Family and Community Services—ABC Learning— Child care</b> Senator Hanson-Young Debated and agreed to	11/11/08	1132
<b>Foreign Affairs—Tibet</b> Senator Bob Brown Debated and agreed to	17/03/08	239



## 3.6 Motions agreed to

Number of principal motions agreed to:

119

This table lists the principal substantive resolutions relating to public affairs agreed to by the Senate. Routine and procedural motions are not listed.

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Administration—			
Excise and customs rates—Alcohol (Senator Bob Brown)	16/06/08	17/06/08	498
Queensland—Cairns Yacht Club (Senators Macdonald and Joyce)	27/08/08	28/08/08	751
Queensland—Local government elections (Senator Boyce)	17/03/08	18/03/08	252
Citizenship Day (Senator Ellison)	16/09/08	17/09/08	865
Communications—ABC Radio National (Senator Bob Brown)	15/10/08	16/10/08	1038
Culture and the Arts—			
Australian National Academy of Music (Senators Milne and Ronaldson)	01/12/08	02/12/08	1371
Australian National Academy of Music (Senators Ronaldson and Milne)	11/11/08	12/11/08	1159
Deepavali—Celebrations (Senator Ellison)	15/09/08	16/10/08	1036
Death of Major General Janaka Perera and Mrs Perera (Senator Hutchins)	13/10/08	16/10/08*	1037
Death of Mr Jack Gibson, OAM (Senators Hutchins and Forshaw)	13/05/08	14/05/08	390
Death of Mr Joern Utzon (Senator Hutchins)	01/12/08	02/12/08*	1372
Death of Mr William Alfred (Bill) Brown, OAM (Senator Bernardi)	18/03/08	19/03/08	293
Death of Ms Britt Laphorne (Senator Fielding)	13/10/08	14/10/08	1005

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Notice given</b>	<b>Agreed to</b>	<b>Journals page</b>
Death of Private Luke Worsley (Senator Minchin)	12/02/08	13/02/08	109
Death of Professor Peter Cullen (Senator Siewert)	17/03/08	18/03/08	254
Death of Sergeant Matthew Locke (Senator Minchin)	12/02/08	13/02/08	109
Death of Signaller Sean McCarthy (Senator Minchin)	26/08/08	27/08/08	736
Death of Trooper David Pearce (Senator Minchin)	12/02/08	13/02/08	108
Death of Yvonne Butler (Senator Siewert)	27/08/08	28/08/08	749
Economics—Executive salaries (Senator Bob Brown)	24/1d/08	25/11/08	1273
Economy—Wage restraint (Senator Bob Brown)	12/02/08	11/03/08	177
Education—Music education (Senators Allison and Kemp)	18/06/08	19/06/08	539
Environment—			
Bass Coast—Desalination plant (Senator Bob Brown)	26/08/08	27/08/08	735
Carbon sequestration (Senator Bob Brown)	19/06/08	24/06/08	589
Climate change (Senator Bob Brown)	25/06/08	26/06/08	645
Environmental and Natural Resource Management Guidelines (Senator Joyce)	23/09/08	24/09/08*	939
Global warming—Government explanation (Senator Bob Brown)	24/06/08	25/06/08	626
Green Cooling Council Greenhouse Gas Abatement Program (Senator Milne)	03/12/08	04/12/08	1421
Murray-Darling Basin system (Senator Hanson-Young)	22/09/08	23/09/08	916
Murray-Darling Basin system (Senator Siewert)	15/09/08	16/09/08	853
National Landcare Week (Senator Siewert)	03/09/08	04/09/08	808
Northern Pacific Seastar (Senator Abetz)	18/06/08	19/06/08	542
Pesticides (Senator Bob Brown)	24/11/08	25/11/08	1272
Queensland—Mary River—Proposed Dam (Senator Bob Brown)	18/09/08	23/09/08	917

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
South Australia—Trees For Life (Senator Hanson-Young)	01/12/08	02/12/08	1370
Sugarloaf Pipeline—Construction (Senator Bob Brown)	25/09/08	13/10/08	980
Tasmania—Tarkine forest (Senator Bob Brown)	27/1d/08	01/12/08	1353
Traveston Crossing Dam—Construction (Senator Bob Brown)	13/10/08	14/10/08	1007
Traveston Crossing Dam—Construction (Senators Macdonald and Trood)	25/1d/08	26/11/08	1310
United Nations Convention on Climate Change (Senator Milne)	12/02/08	14/02/08	138
Whaling in Australian waters (Senator Siewert)	13/02/08	14/02/08	142
Family and Community Services—			
ABC Learning—Child care (Senator Hanson-Young)	10/1d/08	11/1d/08	1130
ABC Learning—Child care (Senator Hanson-Young)	02/12/08	03/12/08	1402
Alcohol abuse (Senator Murray)	11/03/08	12/03/08	209
Carers Week (Senator Siewert)	15/10/08	16/10/08	1038
National Volunteer Week (Senator Siewert)	13/05/08	14/05/08*	389
Single age pension (Senator Bob Brown)	15/09/08	16/09/08	852
Single age pension (Senator Bob Brown)	15/09/08	16/09/08	853
Single age pension (Senator Siewert)	27/08/08	01/09/08*	770
Foreign Affairs—			
Burma (Senator Bob Brown)	14/05/08	15/05/08	418
Burma (Senator Ludlam)	17/09/08	18/09/08*	878
Burma—Daw Aung San Suu Kyi (Senator Stott Despoja)	19/06/08	23/06/08	568
China (Senator Bob Brown)	11/03/08	18/03/08*	252
China (Senator Bob Brown)	14/05/08	15/05/08	416

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Notice given</b>	<b>Agreed to</b>	<b>Journals page</b>
China—Falun Gong (Senators Nettle and Bartlett)	23/06/08	24/06/08*	591
China—Space walk (Senator Bob Brown)	13/10/08	14/10/08	1007
Colombia—Ms Ingrid Betancourt (Senator Bob Brown)	14/02/08	11/03/08	177
Cyprus (Senator Xenophon)	25/11/08	26/11/08	1311
Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (Senator Allison)	13/05/08	14/05/08	389
India and Nepal—Floods (Senator Bob Brown)	02/09/08	03/09/08	793
Myanmar (Senator Stott Despoja)	12/02/08	14/02/08	142
Papua New Guinea—Kokoda Track (Senators Barnett and McGauran)	23/06/08	24/06/08*	594
Somalia—Human rights (Senator Bob Brown)	12/11/08	13/11/08	1196
Tibet (Senator Bob Brown)	14/05/08	15/05/08*	413
Tibet—Sino-Tibetan dialogue (Senator Bob Brown)	15/10/08	16/10/08*	1038
United Nations—Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Senator Hanson-Young)	24/1d/08	04/12/08	1418
Vienna Forum to Fight Human Trafficking (Senator Ellison)	11/03/08	12/03/08	207
Vietnam—Death penalty (Senator Bob Brown)	20/03/08	14/05/08	389
West Africa—Child labour (Senator Hanson-Young)	02/12/08	03/12/08	1401
Zimbabwe (Senators Ellison, Murray and Sandy Macdonald)	18/06/08	19/06/08*	542
<b>Health—</b>			
Child and maternal health (Senator Hanson-Young)	15/10/08	16/10/08	1037
International Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and Fibromyalgia Awareness Week (Senator Allison)	14/05/08	15/05/08	417
National Skin Cancer Action Week (Senator Siewert)	11/11/08	12/11/08	1160

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Queensland—Townsville General Hospital (Senator Macdonald)	27/08/08	28/08/08*	751
Remote area nurses (Senator Allison)	16/06/08	17/06/08	497
National Cleft Awareness Week (Senator Siewert)	10/11/08	11/11/08	1131
National Hearing Awareness Week (Senator Siewert)	26/08/08	27/08/08	738
Research (Senator Allison)	13/03/08	17/03/08	237
World AIDS Day (Senator Siewert)	27/1d/08	01/12/08*	1353
World Diabetes Day (Senator Siewert)	12/11/08	13/1d/08	1195
World Diabetes Day (Senators Wortley and Barnett)	12/11/08	13/1d/08	1194
World Sight Day (Senator Siewert)	13/10/08	14/10/08	1008
Historical Events—			
Great Irish Famine (Senators Hutchins and Joyce)	02/09/08	03/09/08	797
HMAS <i>Sydney II</i> (Senator Minchin)	17/03/08	18/03/08	251
South Vietnam—Battles of Fire Support Bases Coral and Balmoral (Senator Minchin)	13/05/08	14/05/08	390
Immigration—			
Moeller family (Senator Bernardi)	10/1d/08	11/1d/08	1130
Temporary Retirement Visas (Senator Ellison)	23/06/08	24/06/08	592
Indigenous Australians—Health—Trachoma (Senator Allison)	13/02/08	11/03/08*	176
Industrial Relations—Australia's skills challenge (Senator Allison)	16/06/08	18/06/08	525
Industry—			
Commercial Ready program (Senator Abetz)	24/06/08	25/06/08	626
Fishing—Moreton Bay (Senator Macdonald)	26/11/08	27/1d/08*	1327
International Transgender Day of Remembrance (Senator Hanson-Young)	12/11/08	13/11/08*	1198

Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Law and Justice—			
Australian Privacy Awards (Senator Faulkner)	01/09/08	02/09/08	782
Freedom of information (Senator Milne)	24/09/08	25/09/08	951
Recreational fishermen—Criminal convictions (Senator Fielding)	26/08/08	27/08/08*	734
Whaling in Australian waters (Senator Siewert)	16/06/08	17/06/08*	497
Japan—Whaling program (Senator Siewert)	25/06/08	26/06/08	646
Japan—Whaling program (Senator Siewert)	24/11/08	25/11/08*	1275
National Apology to the Stolen Generations—			
(Senator Evans)	12/02/08	13/02/08	93
(Senator Ludwig)	12/02/08	14/02/08	158
Parliamentary Zone—Capital works proposal—Approval—			
Construction of a childcare centre (Senator Conroy)	23/06/08	26/06/08	651
Construction of a new cooling plant enclosure at Old Parliament House (Senator Ludwig)	25/11/08	27/11/08	1326
Design of the Pavement Artwork at Reconciliation Place (Senator Conroy)	28/08/08	03/09/08	793
National Portrait Gallery forecourt sculpture (Senator Ludwig)	22/09/08	13/10/08	973
Primary Industries—Agricultural research (Senator Payne)	25/11/08	26/11/08	1310
Regional Australia—Regional Partnerships Program—Peel Health Campus (Senator Cormann)	13/10/08	15/10/08	1026
Science and Technology—			
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation—Victoria—Wool scour closure (Senator Milne)	14/05/08	15/05/08*	415
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation—Chief Executive Officer (Senator Abetz)	15/09/08	16/09/08	852



Subject	Notice given	Agreed to	Journals page
Senate—Documents—Internet accessibility (Senator Bernardi)	16/09/08	17/09/08	865
Sport—Australian Paralympic team (Senator Bernardi)	18/09/08	22/09/08	894
Transport—			
1999 Montreal Convention (Senator Xenophon)	13/10/08	15/10/08	1028
Aviation—Air traffic controllers (Senator Bob Brown)	03/12/08	04/12/08	1421
United Nations—Human rights (Senators Stott Despoja and Bartlett)	17/06/08	23/06/08*	567
Women—			
Health—Acute inpatient facilities (Senator Allison)	14/05/08	15/05/08	416
International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (Senators Ludlam and Hanson-Young)	24/11/08	25/11/08*	1275
Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (Senators Allison and Stott Despoja)	11/03/08	12/03/08	210
‘Reclaim the Night’—Violence against women (Senator Hanson-Young)	13/10/08	15/10/08	1027
World Day Against the Death Penalty (Senator Hanson-Young)	25/09/08	13/10/08	980
World Youth Day 2008 (Senator Stephens)	25/06/08	26/06/08	642

\* Moved or agreed to in an amended form



## 3.7 Condolence motions

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**Number of condolence motions passed:**

**15**

- 12 February 2008      **Honourable Kim Edward Beazley, AC**  
Former Member and Minister  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 12 February 2008      **Peter James Andren**  
Former Member  
Moved by Senator Bob Brown
- 12 February 2008      **Sergeant Matthew Locke**  
**Trooper David Pearce**  
**Private Luke Worsley**  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 11 March 2008        **Siegfried Emil (Sid) Spindler**  
Former Senator  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 17 March 2008        **Honourable Clyde Robert Cameron, AO**  
Former Member and Minister  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 13 May 2008          **Lance Corporal Jason Marks**  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 13 May 2008          **Ruth Nancy Coleman**  
Former Senator  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 13 May 2008          **Honourable John Norman Button**  
Former Senator and Minister  
Moved by Senator Evans
- 16 June 2008         **Milivoj Emil (Misha) Lajovic**  
Former Senator  
Moved by Senator Evans

26 August 2008

**Signaller Sean Patrick McCarthy**  
Moved by Senator Evans

26 August 2008

**Donald Michael Devitt**  
Former Senator  
Moved by Senator Conroy

26 August 2008

**The Honourable Peter Drew Durack**  
Former Senator  
Moved by Senator Conroy

13 October 2008

**Dr Glenister (Glen) Fermoy Sheil**  
Former Senator  
Moved by Senator Evans

1 December 2008

**Lieutenant Michael Kenneth Housdan Fussell**  
Moved by Senator Evans

3 December 2008

**The Honourable Francis Daniel Crean**  
Former Member and Minister  
Moved by Senator Faulkner

## 3.8 Orders for the production of documents

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The power to require the production of information is one of the most significant powers available to a legislature to enable it to carry out its functions of scrutinising legislation and the performance of the executive arm of government.

Orders for the production of documents most frequently require the tabling of documents in the possession of ministers, government departments and agencies, although occasionally an order may require the creation of the document in question. The order will generally describe the documents sought and specify a date for their tabling.

For more information, see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 11 – Orders for Production of Documents*.

**Number of orders for the production of documents agreed to:** 9

### **Defence—Procurement projects**

Documents relating to defence procurement projects.

*Order made:* 15 May 2008 (moved by Senator Minchin)

*For tabling:* 19 June 2008

*Document tabled:* Letter from the Minister for Defence, 19 June 2008, claiming that the documents were commercial-in-confidence and the Government would not provide the documents.

### **Defence—Procurement projects**

A statement of the commercial harm that would result from the disclosure of the commercial-in-confidence information relating to documents concerning defence procurement projects.

*Order made:* 25 June 2008 (moved by Senator Minchin)

*For tabling:* 26 June 2008

*Document tabled:* Letter from the Minister for Defence, 26 June 2008, confirming that the documents were commercial-in-confidence and informing that the disclosure of the commercial-in-confidence information would result in commercial harm via the release of sensitive pricing data and intellectual property.

### **Departmental and agency appointments**

A list of all appointments made by the Government and existing vacancies to statutory authorities, executive agencies, advisory boards, government business enterprises and all other Commonwealth bodies.

*Order made:* 24 June 2008 (moved by Senator Minchin)

*For tabling:* By not later than 7 days before the commencement of the budget estimates, supplementary budget estimates and additional estimates hearings

*Documents tabled:* 13, 14, 15 and 16 October and 10 November 2008

### **Departmental and agency grants**

A list of all grants approved in each portfolio or agency, including the value of the grant, recipient of the grant and the program from which the grant was made.

*Order made:* 24 June 2008 (moved by Senator Minchin)

*For tabling:* By not later than 7 days before the commencement of the budget estimates, supplementary budget estimates and additional estimates hearings

*Documents tabled:* 13, 14, 15 and 16 October and 10 November 2008

### **Environment—Coorong and Lower Lakes**

Advice prepared for the Minister for Climate Change and Water relating to the Coorong and Lower Lakes in South Australia.

*Order made:* 27 August 2008 (moved by Senator Minchin)

*For tabling:* 28 August 2008

*Statements by leave:*

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Health and Ageing (Senator McLucas), 27 August 2008, indicating that advice to government for deliberative processes would not be provided and informing that extensive information had already been provided and that further material may be released.

The Minister for Climate Change and Water (Senator Wong), 1 September 2008, indicating that advice to government for deliberative processes would not be provided, informing that extensive information had already been released and that a submission to the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee inquiry will be provided.

### **Environment—Strategic Review of Climate Change Policies**

Report of the Strategic Review of Climate Change Policies.

*Order made:* 3 September 2008 (moved by Senator Milne)

*For tabling:* 4 September 2008

*Statements by leave:*

The Minister for Superannuation and Corporate Law (Senator Sherry), 4 September 2008, indicating that the Government was considering a response and would provide that response to the Senate on the next day of sitting.

The Minister for Superannuation and Corporate Law (Senator Sherry), 15 September 2008, indicating that advice to government for deliberative processes would not be provided and claiming that it would not be in the public interest to table the document.

**Industry—Alternative Formula—Emissions-Intensive Companies**

The 'alternative, more business-friendly formula for providing assistance to trade-exposed, emissions-intensive companies'.

*Order made:* 3 September 2008 (moved by Senator Milne)

*For tabling:* 4 September 2008

*Statements by leave:*

The Minister for Superannuation and Corporate Law (Senator Sherry), 4 September 2008, indicating that the Government was considering a response and would provide that response to the Senate on the next day of sitting.

The Minister for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (Senator Carr), 15 September 2008, indicating that the Government does not propose to table documents on the basis that no document or documents have been brought into existence in the form described in the order.

**Sport—Sports and recreation facilities—Grants**

A list of commitments made by the Government to provide grants for sports and recreation facilities.

*Order made:* 17 June 2008 (moved by Senator Bernardi)

*For tabling:* 23 June 2008

*Document tabled:* Statement by the Leader of the Government in the Senate, 23 June 2008, listing projects already announced and indicating that the Government would continue to make announcements as the facilities project goes ahead.

*Consideration of document:* Motion moved by Senator Bernardi, 26 June 2008, to take note of document tabled on 23 June 2008.

**Water Act 2007—Critical human water needs—Definitions and criteria**

Document containing definitions of terms relating to critical human water needs and criteria the Murray-Darling Basin Authority will apply in determining whether the definitions are met.

*Order made:* 3 December 2008 (moved by Senator Fisher)

*For tabling:* 10 March 2009

**Documents tabled pursuant to existing orders:****Departmental and agency contracts**

List of departmental and agency contracts.

*Order made:* 20 June 2001 (varied 27 September 2001, 18 and 26 June and 4 December 2003)

*For tabling:* not later than 30 September each year

*Documents tabled:* 12 and 14 February, 11, 13 and 19 March, 13 May, 26 and 28 August, 1, 2, 4, 15, 16 and 22 September, 13 October and 10 November 2008

**Health Insurance—Anti-competitive practices**

Assessment reports by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission on anti-competitive health cover practices.

*Order made:* 25 March 1999 (Varied 18 September 2002)

*For tabling:* at the end of each period of 12 months ending on or after June 2003

*Document tabled:* 13 March 2008

**Indexed lists of departmental and agency files**

Indexed lists of files of government departments and agencies.

*Order made:* 30 May 1996 (varied 3 December 1998)

*For tabling:* by the tenth day of the autumn and spring sittings each year or statements of compliance that such indexed lists of files have been placed on the Internet

*Documents tabled:* 12 February, 11, 13, 18, 19 and 20 March, 13 May, 26 August, 1, 2, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 22 September, 13 October and 10 November 2008

**Unproclaimed legislation—Document—Standing Order 139(2)**

Document providing details of all provisions of Acts which come into effect on proclamation and which have not been proclaimed, including statements of reasons for their non-proclamation and information relating to the timetable for their operation, as at 31 July 2008.

*Document tabled:* 26 August 2008



## 3.9 Government responses to committee reports

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Governments give careful consideration to Senate committee reports and frequently act on their recommendations. Since 1978, successive governments have undertaken to inform the Senate of their responses to committee reports within a specified period - currently 3 months.

For more information on the role of committees see *Senate Briefs No. 4—Senate Committees*.

### **Number of government responses to committee reports:**

**17**

#### **Community Affairs References Committee**

Workplace exposure to toxic dust—Report presented 31 May 2006; tabled 13 June 2006

Response tabled 25 September 2008

#### **Community Affairs—Standing Committee**

A decent quality of life: Inquiry into the cost of living pressures on older Australians—

Report tabled 20 March 2008

Response presented 5 September 2008; tabled 15 September 2008

#### **Community Affairs—Standing Committee**

A matter relating to the PET review of 2000—Report tabled 26 June 2008

Response tabled 13 November 2008

#### **Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee**

Civics and electoral education—Report tabled 18 June 2007

Interim response tabled 10 November 2008

#### **Electoral Matters—Joint Standing Committee**

Review of certain aspects of the administration of the Australian Electoral Commission—

Report tabled 17 September 2007

Response tabled 25 September 2008

#### **Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee**

Workplace agreements—Report presented 31 October 2005; tabled 7 November 2005

Response presented 20 June 2008; tabled 23 June 2008

#### **Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts—Standing Committee**

Indigenous art: Securing the future—Australia's Indigenous visual arts and craft sector—  
Report tabled 20 June 2007

Response presented 8 August 2008; tabled 26 August 2008

#### **Finance and Public Administration—Standing Committee**

Departmental and agency contracts: Second report on the operation of the Senate order for the production of lists of departmental and agency contracts (2003-06)—Report tabled 27 February 2007

Response presented 21 August 2008; tabled 26 August 2008

**Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee**

Australia's aid program in the Pacific—Report tabled 20 September 2007

Response tabled 27 November 2008

**Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee**

Australia's trade with Mexico and the region—Report tabled 12 September 2007

Response tabled 18 September 2008

**Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade—Joint Standing Committee**

Review of the Defence annual report 2005-06—Report tabled 16 June 2008

Response tabled 13 November 2008

**Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee**

The removal, search for and discovery of Ms Vivian Solon—Final report—Report tabled 8 December 2005

Response tabled 27 November 2008

**Intelligence and Security—Joint Statutory Committee**

Review of the re-listing of Hizballah's External Security Organisation (ESO)—Report tabled 15 August 2007

Review of the re-listing of three terrorist organisations—Report presented 27 September 2007; tabled 12 February 2008

Review of the re-listing of Tanzim Qa'idat al-Jihad fi Bilad al-Rafidayn (the al-Zarqawi network) as a terrorist organisation—Report tabled 9 May 2007

Response tabled 26 June 2008

**Public Accounts and Audit—Joint Statutory Committee**

410th report—Tax administration—Report tabled 26 June 2008

Response tabled 13 November 2008

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

An appropriate level of protection? The importation of salmon products: A case study of the administration of Australian Quarantine and the impact of international trade arrangements—Report tabled 5 June 2000

Biosecurity Australia's import risk analysis for pig meat—Report tabled 13 May 2004

Administration of Biosecurity Australia: Revised draft import risk analysis for bananas from the Philippines—Report tabled 17 March 2005

Administration of Biosecurity Australia: Revised draft import risk analysis for apples from New Zealand—Report tabled 17 March 2005

The administration by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry of the citrus canker outbreak—Report tabled 20 June 2006

Response tabled 25 September 2008

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport—Standing Committee**

Options for additional water supplies for South East Queensland—Report tabled 16 August 2007

Response tabled 4 December 2008

**Scrutiny of Bills—Standing Committee**

12th report of 2006—Entry, search and seizure provisions in Commonwealth legislation—

Report tabled 4 December 2006

Response tabled 26 June 2008



## 3.10 Petitions

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Individuals and organisations may seek to have petitions presented to the Parliament. Petitions generally express views on matters of public policy and ask the Senate or the Parliament to take - or, in some cases, *not* to take - a particular course of action.

The complete text of petitions presented each day may be found in the Senate *Hansard*.

For more information see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 21d- Petitions*.

<b>Number of petitions:</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Number of signatories:</b>	<b>115 771</b>

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<b>Subject</b>	<b>Petitions</b>	<b>Signatories</b>
Administration—Ministry for Peace	1	16
Animal Welfare—Live export	5	58 929
Australian flag	1	5 347
Communications—Australian Broadcasting Corporation	1	499
Defence—Anti vehicle mines	1	57
Employment—Paid maternity leave	1	40
Environment—		
Climate change	1	1 009
Dampier Archipelago—World Heritage List	2	470
Hybrid cats	1	987
Mary River and Logan River—Dams	1	24
Palm oil—Labelling of products	1	4 077
Western Australia—Nuclear waste	2	144
Family and Community Services—		
Disabled pensioners—Pension increase	1	817
Single age pension	1	2 670

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Petitions</b>	<b>Signatories</b>
Foreign Affairs—Iraq and Afghanistan—Withdrawal of Australian troops	1	804
Health—Prince Albert Memorial Hospital	1	534
Immigration—		
Amendments to the <i>Migration Act 1958</i>	1	335
Muslim immigration	2	31
Indigenous Australians—		
<i>Bringing Them Home</i> report	1	211
Prevention of sexual violence	1	220
Law and Justice—		
Death penalty	1	2 227
<i>Marriage Act 1961</i> —Relationship register	12	351
Northern Territory—Racial Discrimination Act	3	6 419
Political Asylum Seekers—Procedures	3	152
Taxation—Aged pensioners—GST exemption	1	1 018
Women—		
Abortion	5	28 361
Pregnancy counselling	1	22

## 3.11 Questions

### Questions without notice

Questions asked of ministers in the Senate at question time are asked *without notice*, although a senator may informally advise a minister of the subject of a proposed question.

	2006	2007	2008*
<b>Australian Labor Party</b>	600	390	249
<b>Coalition</b>	287	195	617
<b>Australian Democrats</b>	98	66	34
<b>Australian Greens</b>	98	64	104
<b>Family First</b>	28	22	30
<b>Senator Xenophon</b>	—	—	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>1111</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>1050</b>

\* On 24 November 2008 the format of question was changed to allow 2 supplementaries per question.

### Questions on notice

Where a senator seeks a detailed response, particularly where statistical information is sought, that question is more appropriately submitted in written form and placed *on notice*. A senator who places a question on notice and does not receive a reply within 30 days may seek from the relevant minister in the Senate an explanation as to why an answer has not been provided. There is no limit to the number of questions a senator may place on notice.

	2006	2007	2008
<b>Australian Labor Party</b>	1109	346	9
<b>Coalition</b>	3	78	866
<b>Australian Democrats</b>	162	128	119
<b>Australian Greens</b>	222	68	216
<b>Family First</b>	1	0	0
<b>Senator Xenophon</b>	—	—	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1497</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>1210</b>

For further information about questions, see *Brief Guide to Senate Procedure No. 17 – Questions* and *Senate Brief No. 12 – Questions*. Further statistics about questions on notice are available in the *Questions on Notice Summary* ([www.aph.gov.au/Senate/work/qonsummary](http://www.aph.gov.au/Senate/work/qonsummary))





## 3.12 Attendance of senators

This table lists the attendance of senators in the Senate chamber on sitting days in 2008.

Leave of absence is usually requested for long-term absences only. Senators shown as "absent without leave" may include those absent on parliamentary business, such as overseas delegations, those attending to Senate committee business and those who are absent due to illness.

**Period:** 1 January to 31 December 2008

**Sitting days:** 52

Senator	Days present	Absent without leave	Absent with leave	Senator	Days present	Absent without leave	Absent with leave
Abetz	51	1	0	Heffernan	47	3	2
Adams	43	1	8	Hogg	52	0	0
Allison <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0	Humphries	52	0	0
Arbib <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0	Hurley	50	2	0
Barnett	52	0	0	Hutchins	52	0	0
Bartlett <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0	Johnston	49	2	1
Bernardi	52	0	0	Joyce	48	2	2
Bilyk <sup>2</sup>	29	0	2	Kemp <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0
Birmingham	48	1	3	Kirk <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0
Bishop	51	0	1	Kroger <sup>2</sup>	29	0	2
Boswell	52	0	0	Lightfoot <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0
Boyce	51	0	1	Ludlam <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0
Brandis	52	0	0	Ludwig	52	0	0
Brown, B	52	0	0	Lundy	52	0	0
Brown, C	49	2	1	Macdonald, I	51	1	0
Bushby	51	1	0	Macdonald, S <sup>1</sup>	20	1	0
Cameron <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0	Marshall	52	0	0
Campbell <sup>1</sup>	17	4	0	Mason	49	3	0
Carr	48	0	4	McEwen	51	1	0
Cash <sup>2</sup>	30	0	1	McGauran	52	0	0
Chapman <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0	McLucas	52	0	0
Colbeck	52	0	0	Milne	44	3	5
Collins <sup>2</sup>	42	0	0	Minchin	50	1	1
Conroy	48	0	4	Moore	47	0	5
Coonan	52	0	0	Murray <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0
Cormann	47	3	2	Nash	41	3	8
Crossin	50	0	2	Nettle <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0
Eggleston	47	0	5	O'Brien	28	0	24
Ellison	50	1	1	Parry	52	0	0
Evans	52	0	0	Patterson <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0
Farrell <sup>2</sup>	30	0	1	Payne	48	1	3
Faulkner	52	0	0	Polley	45	2	5
Feeney <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0	Prairie <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0
Ferguson	52	0	0	Ray <sup>4</sup>	10	0	0
Fielding	51	0	1	Ronaldson	52	0	0
Fieravanti-Wells	51	0	1	Ryan <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0
Field	51	1	0	Scullion	52	0	0
Fisher	52	0	0	Sherry	51	0	1
Forshaw	47	0	5	Siewert	52	0	0
Furner <sup>2</sup>	30	0	1	Stephens	51	1	0
Hanson-Young <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0	Sterle	52	0	0

Senator	Days present	Absent without leave	Absent with leave	Senator	Days present	Absent without leave	Absent with leave
Stott Despoja <sup>1</sup>	13	1	7	Williams <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0
Troeth	48	0	4	Wong	42	2	8
Trood	52	0	0	Wortley	50	2	0
Watson	21	0	0	Xenophon <sup>2</sup>	31	0	0
Webber <sup>1</sup>	21	0	0				

- 1 Term expired 30 June 2008
- 2 Term commenced 1 July 2008
- 3 Term commenced 13 May 2008
- 4 Resigned 5 May 2008

### 3.13 Attendance of senators in divisions

The voting statistics do not reflect absences as a result of pairing arrangements or leave. Pairing is an unofficial arrangement between the parties, details of which are indicated in the *Hansard*, adjacent to the relevant division.

#### Divisions:

Divisions in the Senate.....	100
Divisions in committee of the whole'.....	51
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>151</b>

Senator	Senate	Committee	Senator	Senate	Committee
Abetz	49	16	Furner <sup>2</sup>	57	43
Adams	80	23	Hanson-Young <sup>2</sup>	59	42
Allison <sup>1</sup>	40	8	Heffernan	35	22
Arbib <sup>2</sup>	52	38	Hogg	70	31
Barnett	87	39	Humphries	78	38
Bartlett <sup>1</sup>	37	7	Hurley	93	45
Bernardi	88	36	Hutchins	82	43
Bilyk <sup>2</sup>	56	42	Johnston	59	26
Birmingham	87	40	Joyce	50	29
Bishop	85	30	Kemp <sup>1</sup>	40	5
Boswell	78	32	Kirk <sup>1</sup>	38	7
Boyer	88	37	Kroger <sup>2</sup>	45	33
Brandis	65	32	Lightfoot <sup>1</sup>	12	2
Brown, B	97	48	Ludlam <sup>2</sup>	59	43
Brown, C	96	48	Ludwig	77	31
Bushby	85	43	Lundy	91	47
Cameron <sup>2</sup>	59	42	Macdonald, I	68	30
Campbell <sup>1</sup>	34	4	Macdonald, S <sup>1</sup>	30	2
Carr	38	19	Marshall	92	48
Cash <sup>2</sup>	57	30	Mason	70	34
Chapman <sup>1</sup>	41	5	McEwen	95	51
Colbeck	93	40	McGauran	75	35
Collins <sup>2</sup>	72	43	McLucas	87	44
Conroy	44	24	Milne	87	38
Coonan	65	27	Minchin	55	28
Cormann	85	25	Moore	88	38
Crossin	92	48	Murray <sup>1</sup>	38	5
Eggleston	71	31	Nash	67	42
Ellison	69	17	Nettle <sup>1</sup>	39	8
Evans	37	20	● Brien	51	9
Farell <sup>2</sup>	57	40	Parry	100	49
Faulkner	39	24	Patterson <sup>1</sup>	35	4
Fecney <sup>2</sup>	59	40	Payne	79	37
Ferguson	94	44	Polley	80	34
Fielding	99	50	Pratt <sup>2</sup>	59	38
Fieravanti-Wells	80	39	Ray <sup>4</sup>	12	4
Fifield	87	37	Ronaldson	78	39
Fisher	93	43	Ryan <sup>2</sup>	48	31
Forshaw	80	41	Scullion	66	41

### 3.13 Attendance of senators in divisions

Senator	Senate	Committee	Senator	Senate	Committee
Sherry	62	30	Watson <sup>1</sup>	41	7
Siewert	100	51	Webber <sup>1</sup>	38	8
Stephens	86	40	Williams <sup>2</sup>	54	38
Sterle	93	44	Wong	21	22
Stott Despoja <sup>1</sup>	29	2	Wortley	94	50
Troeth	87	42	Xenophon <sup>2</sup>	57	40
Trood	79	39			

- 1 Term expired 30 June 2008
- 2 Term commenced 1 July 2008
- 3 Term commenced 13 May 2008
- 4 Resigned 5 May 2008

## Appendix—Details of bills

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### Bills considered by the Senate—1 January to 31 December 2008

An alphabetical list of bills showing details of their consideration in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

**PS A New Tax System (Family Assistance) (Improved Access to Baby Bonus) Amendment Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja – AD)

Senate: Intro. 20/3/08; 2nd reading adjourned 20/3/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—Customs) Amendment Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 26/5/08; Passed 28/5/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 4/9/08 [*but see below*]

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 28/8/08

2nd reading moved again and agreed to 22/9/08; Passed 23/9/08

Assent: 3/10/08; Act No. 98, 2008

**A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—Excise) Amendment Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 26/5/08; Passed 28/5/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 4/9/08 [*but see below*]

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 28/8/08

2nd reading moved again and agreed to 22/9/08; Passed 23/9/08

Assent: 3/10/08; Act No. 99, 2008

**A New Tax System (Luxury Car Tax Imposition—General) Amendment Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 26/5/08; Passed 28/5/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 4/9/08 [*but see below*]

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 28/8/08

2nd reading moved again and agreed to 22/9/08; Passed 23/9/08

Assent: 3/10/08; Act No. 100, 2008

**Aged Care Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 13/2/08

**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 14/2/08

**Assent:** 18/2/08; Act No. 1, 2008

**Aged Care Amendment (2008 Measures No. 2) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 26/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 26/11/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 14/08 (tabled and adopted 16/10/08); Provisions of bill referred to Community Affairs Committee; report presented 20/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08

Committee amendments: 2 AG/negated; 4 items opposed/items agreed to

**Assent:** 9/12/08; Act No. 140, 2008

**PS Alcohol Toll Reduction Bill 2007 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Fielding—FFP)

**Senate:** Intro. 19/9/07; 2nd reading adjourned 19/9/07

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 13/2/08

SBC report 1/08 (tabled and adopted 14/2/08): Referred to Community Affairs Committee; report tabled 18/6/08

**Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2007-2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 20/2/08

**Senate:** Intro. 11/3/08; Passed 20/3/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Dem/passed

**Assent:** 8/4/08; Act No. 15, 2008

**Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2007-2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 20/2/08

**Senate:** Intro. 11/3/08; Passed 20/3/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Dem/passed

**Assent:** 8/4/08; Act No. 16, 2008

**Appropriation Bill (No. 5) 2007-2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/5/08; Passed 19/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

**Assent:** 24/6/08; Act No. 34, 2008

**Appropriation Bill (No. 6) 2007-2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/5/08; Passed 19/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

**Assent:** 24/6/08; Act No. 35, 2008

**Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2008-2009****Reps:** Intro. 13/5/08; Passed 19/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; Passed 26/6/08**Assent:** 30/6/08; Act No. 55, 2008**Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2008-2009****Reps:** Intro. 13/5/08; Passed 19/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; Passed 26/6/08**Assent:** 30/6/08; Act No. 56, 2008**Appropriation (Drought and Equine Influenza Assistance) Bill (No. 1) 2007-2008****Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 13/2/08**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 14/2/08**Assent:** 18/2/08; Act No. 2, 2008**Appropriation (Drought and Equine Influenza Assistance) Bill (No. 2) 2007-2008****Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 13/2/08**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 14/2/08**Assent:** 18/2/08; Act No. 3, 2008**Appropriation (Economic Security Strategy) Bill (No. 1) 2008-2009****Reps:** Intro. 11/11/08; Passed 13/11/08**Senate:** Intro. 24/11/08; Passed 24/11/08**Assent:** 1/12/08; Act No. 132, 2008**Appropriation (Economic Security Strategy) Bill (No. 2) 2008-2009****Reps:** Intro. 11/11/08; Passed 13/11/08**Senate:** Intro. 24/11/08; Passed 24/11/08**Assent:** 1/12/08; Act No. 133, 2008**Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) Bill (No. 1) 2008-2009****Reps:** Intro. 13/5/08; Passed 19/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; Passed 26/6/08**Assent:** 30/6/08; Act No. 57, 2008**S Archives Amendment Bill 2008****Senate:** Intro. 17/9/08; Passed 16/10/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): No reference

**Reps:** Intro. 20/10/08; Passed 23/10/08**Assent:** 31/10/08; Act No. 113, 2008

**PS ATMs and Cash Facilities in Licensed Venues Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Xenophon – Ind)

**Senate:** Intro. 4/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 4/9/08

**SBC report** 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): Referred to Community Affairs Committee: report tabled 10/11/08

**S Auditor-General Amendment Bill 2008**

**Senate:** intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**SBC report** 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): No reference

**AusLink (National Land Transport) Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 28/8/08; Passed 24/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 25/9/08

**SBC report** 9/08 (tabled and adopted 3/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 18/10/08; **Act No. 106, 2008**

**Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 23/10/08; Passed 26/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 26/11/08; Passed 27/11/08

**SBC report** 15/08 (tabled and adopted 13/11/08): No reference

**Assent:** 8/12/08; **Act No. 136, 2008**

**Australian Energy Market Amendment (Minor Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 19/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 23/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

**SBC report** 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**Assent:** 30/6/08; **Act No. 60, 2008**

**Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/9/08; Passed 25/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 13/11/08; Passed 13/11/08

**SBC report** 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/11/08; **Act No. 122, 2008**

**Australian Research Council Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 17/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 18/9/08; Passed 25/9/08

**SBC report** 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 18/10/08; **Act No. 107, 2008**



- PS Australian Securities and Investments Commission (Fair Bank and Credit Card Fees) Amendment Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Fielding— FFP)  
**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/2/08  
**SBC report 3/08** (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): Referred to Economics Committee; report tabled 16/9/08
- Aviation Legislation Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008**  
**Reps:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 27/8/08  
**Senate:** Intro. 28/8/08; Passed 4/9/08  
**SBC report 8/08** (tabled and adopted 27/8/08): No reference  
**Assent: 20/9/08; Act No. 86, 2008**
- Aviation Legislation Amendment (International Airline Licences and Carriers' Liability Insurance) Bill 2008**  
**Reps:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 27/8/08  
**Senate:** Intro. 28/8/08; Passed 4/9/08  
**SBC report 8/08** (tabled and adopted 27/8/08): No reference  
**Assent: 20/9/08; Act No. 87, 2008**
- S Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Radio) Bill 2008**  
**Senate:** Intro. 17/9/08; Passed 16/10/08  
**SBC report 12/08** (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee; report tabled 13/10/08  
**Reps:** Intro. 20/10/08; Passed 23/10/08  
**Assent: 31/10/08; Act No. 114, 2008**
- S Broadcasting Legislation Amendment (Digital Television Switch-over) Bill 2008**  
**Senate:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 3/12/08  
**SBC report 12/08** (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee; report tabled 25/11/08  
Committee amendments: 3 Opp/passed  
**Reps:** Intro. 4/12/08; Passed 4/12/08  
CID amendments: 7 Govt/passed  
[Senate agreed to Reps amendments nos 1 and 3, disagreed to Reps amendments nos 2 and 4 to 7 and agreed to an Opp consequential amendment 5/12/08 a.m; Reps did not insist on its amendments nos 2 and 4 to 7 and agreed to the Senate Opp consequential amendment 5/12/08]  
**Assent: 18/12/08; Act No. 158, 2008**
- PS Building and Construction Industry (Restoring Workplace Rights) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Siewert— AG)  
**Senate:** Intro. 28/8/08; 2nd reading adjourned 28/8/08  
**SBC report 9/08** (tabled and adopted 3/9/08): Referred to Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee; report due 30/11/08; report presented 28/11/08 and tabled 1/12/08

**Civil Aviation Legislation Amendment (1999 Montreal Convention and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 28/5/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**Assent:** 12/7/08; Act No. 79, 2008

**Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (Assessments and Advertising) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 13/5/08

**Senate:** Intro. 14/5/08; Passed 24/6/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 1 FFP/negated; 1 Schedule opposed/Schedule agreed to

**Assent:** 1/7/08; Act No. 69, 2008

**PS R Cluster Munitions (Prohibition) Bill 2006 [2008]**

(Introduced by Senators Allison and Bartlett – AD, Senator Bishop – ALP and Senator B Brown – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 5/12/06; 2nd reading adjourned 5/12/06

SBC report 15/06 (tabled and adopted 7/12/06): Referred to Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee; extensions of time to report 29/3/07, 10/5/07; report presented 31/5/07 and tabled 12/6/07

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**COAG Reform Fund Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 23/10/08; Passed 1/12/08

CID amendment: 1 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 3/12/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee upon introduction in Reps (23/10/08); extension of time to report 10/11/08; report due 1/12/08; report tabled 2/12/08

Committee amendment: 1 AG/negated

**Assent:** 18/12/08; Act No. 156, 2008

**Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 19/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 15/5/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 26/5/08; Act No. 20, 2008

**PS Commonwealth Electoral (Above-the-Line Voting) Amendment Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator B Brown – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 14/5/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/5/08

Reference: Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (as part of inquiry into the 2007 federal election) 14/5/08; report due not before June 2009

**S Commonwealth Electoral Amendment (Political Donations and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 15/5/08; 2nd reading adjourned 15/5/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Deferred

**Reference:** Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (as part of inquiry into the 2007 federal election) 18/6/08; report due 30/6/09; report tabled in Reps (23/10/08) and Senate (10/11/08)

**PS Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management (Repeal and Consequential Amendment) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Ludlam – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 25/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 25/9/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee; extensions of time to report 14/10/08, 2/12/08; report presented 18/12/08

**Commonwealth Securities and Investment Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 23/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 12/7/08; Act No. 78, 2008

**S Communications Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 12/3/08; Passed 17/3/08

**Reps:** Intro. 17/3/08; Passed 25/6/08

**Assent:** 3/7/08; Act No. 72, 2008

**PS R Constitution Alteration (Appropriations for the Ordinary Annual Services of the Government) 2001 [2008]**

(Introduced by Senators Stott Despoja and Murray – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 26/6/01; 2nd reading adjourned 26/6/01

SBC report 15/01 (tabled and adopted 26/9/01): Deferred

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 13/2/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**PS R Constitution Alteration (Electors' Initiative, Fixed Term Parliaments and Qualification of Members) 2000 [2008]**

(Introduced by Senator Murray – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 4/4/00; 2nd reading adjourned 4/4/00

SBC report 6/00 (tabled and adopted 12/4/00): No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 13/2/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**S Corporations Amendment (No. 1) Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): No reference

**Corporations Amendment (Short Selling) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/11/08; Passed 26/11/08

CID amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 27/11/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 15/08 (tabled and adopted 13/11/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report tabled 27/11/08

Committee amendment: 1 AG/negated

**Assent: 11/12/08; Act No. 146, 2008**

**PS Crimes Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Child Protection from Predatory Tourism Offences) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Bernardi—LP)

**Senate:** Intro. 17/6/08; 2nd reading adjourned 17/6/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): No reference

**Crimes Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/6/08; Passed 23/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 24/6/08; Passed 24/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent: 1/7/08; Act No. 70, 2008**

**S Cross-Border Insolvency Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 11/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Reps:** Intro. 11/3/08; Passed 13/5/08

**Assent: 26/5/08; Act No. 24, 2008**

**Customs Amendment (Australia-Chile Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 12/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 12/11/08; Passed 13/11/08

SBC report 14/08 (tabled and adopted 16/10/08): No reference

**Assent: 27/11/08; Act No. 127, 2008**

**Customs Amendment (Strengthening Border Controls) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 4/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**Assent: 12/7/08; Act No. 74, 2008**

**Customs Legislation Amendment (Modernising) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 4/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**Assent:** 12/7/08; Act No. 75, 2008**Customs Tariff Amendment (Australia-Chile Free Trade Agreement Implementation) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 12/11/08**Senate:** Intro. 12/11/08; Passed 13/11/08

SBC report 14/08 (tabled and adopted 16/10/08): No reference

**Assent:** 27/11/08; Act No. 128, 2008**Customs Tariff Amendment (Tobacco Content) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 4/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 24/6/08; Act No. 37, 2008**Dairy Adjustment Levy Termination Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 15/10/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 13/11/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/11/08; Act No. 123, 2008**PS Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Barillett – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 13/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 13/2/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**PS Defence Amendment (Parliamentary Approval of Overseas Service) Bill 2008  
[No. 2]**

(Introduced by Senator Ludlam – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 17/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 17/9/08

SBC report 11/08 (tabled and adopted 18/9/08): No reference

**Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 23/6/08; Act No. 27, 2008

**Defence Home Ownership Assistance Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 23/6/08; **Act No. 28, 2008**

**Defence Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/2/08; Passed 12/3/08

CID amendments: 14 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 13/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/3/08; **Act No. 6, 2008**

**Defence Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**Senate:**

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): Provisions of bill referred to Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Committee; report due 20/2/09

**Dental Benefits Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 17/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

Committee amendment: 1 Opp/passed

[Reps agreed to Senate amendment 23/6/08]

**Assent:** 25/6/08; **Act No. 41, 2008**

**Dental Benefits (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 17/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; **Act No. 42, 2008**

**Disability Discrimination and Other Human Rights Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**Senate:**

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): Provisions of bill referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; report due 24/2/09

- PS Drink Container Recycling Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Fielding—FFP)  
**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; 2nd reading adjourned 13/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): Deferred  
**Reference:** Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee 20/3/08 (as part of inquiry into the management of Australia's waste streams); order varied 17/6/08: report due 28/8/08; extension of time to report 27/8/08; report tabled 3/9/08
- Education Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**  
**Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 21/10/08  
**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 2/12/08  
SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee; report tabled 27/11/08  
**Assent:** 9/12/08; Act No. 142, 2008
- PS Electoral Amendment (Political Honesty) Bill 2003 [2008]**  
**R** (Introduced by Senator Murray—AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 27/3/03; 2nd reading adjourned 27/3/03  
SBC report 5/03 (tabled and adopted 14/5/03): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 17/11/04, 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS Electoral (Greater Fairness of Electoral Processes) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]**  
**R** (Introduced by Senator Murray—AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 1/3/07; 2nd reading adjourned 1/3/07  
SBC report 4/07 (tabled and adopted 21/3/07): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS Emergency Assistance Fund for the Lower Lakes and Coorong Region of South Australia Bill 2008 [No. 2]**  
(Introduced by Senator Minchin—LP)  
**Senate:** Intro. 4/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 4/9/08  
SBC report 11/08 (tabled and adopted 18/9/08): No reference
- PS Emergency Water (Murray-Darling Basin Rescue) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Xenophon—Ind)  
**Senate:** Intro. 28/8/08; 2nd reading adjourned 28/8/08  
**Reference:** Referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee 28/8/08 (as part of inquiry into the management of the Murray-Darling Basin system); extension of time to report 25/9/08; interim report presented 3/10/08 and tabled 13/10/08; final report presented 10/10/08 and tabled 13/10/08
- PS Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Amendment (Control of Power Station Emissions) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Allison—AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; 2nd reading adjourned 19/6/08  
SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): No reference

**PS Euthanasia Laws (Repeal) Bill 2004 [2008]****R** (Introduced by Senator Allison – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 3/3/04; 2nd reading adjourned 3/3/04  
 SBC report 3/04 (tabled and adopted 10/3/04); No reference  
 Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 17/11/04, 14/2/08  
 SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**Evidence Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 18/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; Passed 27/11/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Provisions of bill referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; report tabled 25/9/08

**Assent:** 4/12/08; **Act No. 135, 2008****Excise Legislation Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 2/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 25/9/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 27/8/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Ind (Xenophon)/passed

Committee requests: 9 Govt/passed

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 25/9/08]

**Assent:** 18/10/08; **Act No. 108, 2008****Excise Tariff Amendment (Condensate) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 2/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negatived

CID amendment: 1 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 25/9/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 27/8/08

Committee requests: 3 Govt/passed

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 25/9/08]

**Assent:** 18/10/08; **Act No. 109, 2008****Export Market Development Grants Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 28/5/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08); No reference

**Assent:** 23/6/08; **Act No. 33, 2008**



**Fair Work Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/11/08; Passed 4/12/08

**Senate:** Intro. 5/12/08 a.m.; 2nd reading adjourned 5/12/08 a.m.

Reference: Provisions of bill referred to Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee 25/11/08; report due 27/2/09

**Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 2 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 25/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Referred to Finance and Public Administration Committee; report tabled 24/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/passed

Committee amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 1 Opp/passed; 2 Schedules negated; 2 items negated; 2 AG/negated

Committee request: 1 Govt/passed

[Reps made Senate request for an amendment 25/6/08; Reps agreed to Senate amendments nos 1, 2, 3, 6 and 7 and disagreed to Senate amendments nos 4 and 5, 25/6/08; Senate did not insist on its amendments 26/6/08]

**Assent: 30/6/08; Act No. 63, 2008**

**Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Emergency Response Consolidation) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 21/2/08; Passed 2/9/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 25 Govt/passed; 7 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 27/11/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): Provisions of bill referred to Community Affairs Committee; interim report presented 7/5/08 and tabled 13/5/08; extension of time for final report 13/5/08; final report tabled 15/5/08

Committee amendments: 6 Opp/passed; 1 Schedule negated; 12 items negated; 1 AG/negated; 1 clause opposed/clause agreed to

[Reps reported message 1/12/08]

**Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Further 2008 Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/9/08; Passed 25/9/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 1/12/08

SBC report 11/08 (tabled and adopted 18/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Community Affairs Committee; report tabled 10/11/08

Committee amendments: 7 Govt/passed; 1 Part negated; 3 items (as amended) opposed/items agreed to

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 2/12/08]

**Assent: 9/12/08; Act No. 143, 2008**

**Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Child Care Budget and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 4/6/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08  
SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; Act No. 53, 2008

**Family Law Amendment (De Facto Financial Matters and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/6/08; Passed 28/8/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 1/9/08; Passed 10/11/08  
SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08); Provisions of bill referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; extension of time to report 27/8/08; report tabled 28/8/08

Committee amendments: 34 Govt/passed; 1 Opp/negated  
Committee requests: 20 Govt/passed; 1 Opp to Govt/negated

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 20/10/08; Reps agreed to Senate amendments 11/11/08]

**Assent:** 21/11/08; Act No. 115, 2008

**Farm Household Support Amendment (Additional Drought Assistance Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 3/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08  
SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); No reference

**Assent:** 24/6/08; Act No. 39, 2008

**Federal Court of Australia Amendment (Criminal Jurisdiction) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**Senate:**

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08); Provisions of bill referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; report due 20/2/09

**Federal Justice System Amendment (Efficiency Measures) Bill (No. 1) 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**Senate:**

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08); Provisions of bill referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; report due 17/2/09

**Financial Claims Scheme (ADIs) Levy Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 15/10/08; Passed 15/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 16/10/08

**Assent:** 17/10/08; Act No. 103, 2008

**Financial Claims Scheme (General Insurers) Levy Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 15/10/08; Passed 15/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 16/10/08

**Assent:** 17/10/08; Act No. 104, 2008

**Financial Framework Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 27/8/08

**Senate:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 4/9/08

SBC report 8/08 (tabled and adopted 27/8/08); No reference

**Assent:** 20/9/08; Act No. 90, 2008

**S Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (Review of Prudential Decisions) Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 11/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08); No reference

**Reps:** Intro. 11/3/08; Passed 13/5/08

**Assent:** 26/5/08; Act No. 25, 2008

**Financial System Legislation Amendment (Financial Claims Scheme and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 15/10/08; Passed 15/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 16/10/08

Committee amendment: 1 AG/negatived

**Assent:** 17/10/08; Act No. 105, 2008

**Financial Transaction Reports Amendment (Transitional Arrangements) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/9/08; Passed 13/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 14/10/08; Passed 13/11/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08); No reference

**Assent:** 25/11/08; Act No. 124, 2008

**First Home Saver Account Providers Supervisory Levy Imposition Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 17/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 17/9/08; Passed 24/9/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08); No reference

**Assent:** 30/9/08; Act No. 93, 2008

**First Home Saver Accounts Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 2/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; Act No. 44, 2008

**First Home Saver Accounts (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 2/6/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

Assent: 25/6/08; Act No. 45, 2008**First Home Saver Accounts (Further Provisions) Amendment Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 17/9/08

Senate: Intro. 17/9/08; Passed 24/9/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 2 AG/negated

Assent: 30/9/08; Act No. 92, 2008**Fisheries Legislation Amendment (New Governance Arrangements for the Australian Fisheries Management Authority and Other Matters) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 4/6/08

Main Committee CID amendments: 2 Opp/negated

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

Assent: 24/6/08; Act No. 36, 2008**PS Flags (Protection of Australian Flags) Amendment Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Barnett – LP)

Senate: Intro. 3/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/9/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): No reference

**PS Freedom of Information Amendment (Open Government) Bill 2003 [2008]****R** (Introduced by Senator Murray – AD)

Senate: Intro. 25/6/03; 2nd reading adjourned 25/6/03

SBC report 8/03 (tabled and adopted 13/8/03): No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 17/11/04, 18/3/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**S Freedom of Information (Removal of Conclusive Certificates and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

Senate: Intro. 26/11/08; 2nd reading adjourned 26/11/08

SBC report 16/08 (tabled and adopted 26/11/08): Referred to Finance and Public Administration Committee; report due 10/3/09

**PS Genetic Privacy and Non-discrimination Bill 1998 [2008]****R** (Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja – AD)**Senate:** Intro. 11/3/98; 2nd reading adjourned 11/3/98. 5/10/00

SBC report 3/98 (tabled and adopted 25/3/98); Referred to Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee; report due 11/8/98; interim report presented 10/8/98 and tabled 10/11/98

Reference: Referred to Legal and Constitutional Legislation Committee 23/11/98; extensions of time to report 10/12/98, 16/2/99, 30/3/99; report tabled 31/3/99

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 23/11/98, 14/5/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**Governance Review Implementation (AASB and AUASB) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 24/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08); No reference

**Assent: 30/6/08; Act No. 61, 2008****Governor-General Amendment (Salary and Superannuation) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 23/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 24/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08); No reference

**Assent: 30/6/08; Act No. 62, 2008****Great Barrier Reef Marine Park and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 26/8/08**Senate:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 11/11/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08); No reference

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp-FFP (as amended by Govt)/passed (reference to committee—*see* below)

Reference: Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee 1/9/08; report tabled 15/9/08; additional comments tabled 18/9/08

Committee amendments: 6 Govt/passed; 1 Opp (as amended)/passed; 1 Macdonald-Boswell/passed; 3 Opp/negated

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 12/11/08]

**Assent: 25/11/08; Act No. 125, 2008****Guarantee Scheme for Large Deposits and Wholesale Funding Appropriation Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 25/11/08; Passed 25/11/08**Senate:** Intro. 26/11/08; Passed 26/11/08

Committee amendments: 2 AG/negated

**Assent: 27/11/08; Act No. 129, 2008**

**Health Care (Appropriation) Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 3/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negatived

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; **Act No. 52, 2008**

**Health Insurance Amendment (90 Day Pay Doctor Cheque Scheme) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 19/3/08; Passed 28/5/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; **Act No. 51, 2008**

**Higher Education Support Amendment (2008 Budget Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negatived

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; **Act No. 43, 2008**

**Higher Education Support Amendment (Removal of the Higher Education Workplace Relations Requirements and National Governance Protocols Requirements and Other Matters) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 14/5/08

CID amendments: 2 Opp/negatived

**Senate:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 4/9/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 2 Opp/negatived

**Assent:** 20/9/08; **Act No. 89, 2008**

**Higher Education Support Amendment (VET FEE-HELP Assistance) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 20/2/08

**Senate:** Intro. 11/3/08; Passed 13/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/3/08; **Act No. 11, 2008**

**Horse Disease Response Levy Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 21/2/08; Passed 3/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 3/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/9/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

Reference: Referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee 4/9/08; interim report presented 3/10/08 and tabled 13/10/08; extension of time for final report 13/10/08; final report tabled 13/11/08

**Horse Disease Response Levy Collection Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 21/2/08; Passed 3/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 3/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/9/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

Reference: Referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee 4/9/08; interim report presented 3/10/08 and tabled 13/10/08; extension of time for final report 13/10/08; final report tabled 13/11/08

**Horse Disease Response Levy (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 21/2/08; Passed 3/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 3/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/9/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

Reference: Referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee 4/9/08; interim report presented 3/10/08 and tabled 13/10/08; extension of time for final report 13/10/08; final report tabled 13/11/08

**Income Tax (First Home Saver Accounts Misuse Tax) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 2/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; Act No. 46, 2008

**Income Tax (Managed Investment Trust Transitional) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 23/6/08; Act No. 30, 2008

**Income Tax (Managed Investment Trust Withholding Tax) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 23/6/08; Act No. 31, 2008

**PS Independent Reviewer of Terrorism Laws Bill 2008 [No. 2]**

(Introduced by Senators Troeth and Humphries – LP)

**Senate:** Intro. 23/6/08; Passed 13/11/08

SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08): No reference

Reference: Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee 2/9/08; order varied 2/9/08; report due 24/9/08; extension of time to report 22/9/08; report tabled 14/10/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negative

Committee amendments: 11 Troeth (1 as amended by AG, 1 as amended by 4 AG)/passed; 2 AG/passed; 1 AG/negative

**Reps:** Intro. 24/11/08; Read a 1st time 24/11/08; 2nd reading order of day for next sitting

**Indigenous Affairs Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 23/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 1/7/08; **Act No. 67, 2008**

**Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment (2008 Budget Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/6/08; **Act No. 47, 2008**

**Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 11/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 12/3/08; Passed 12/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/3/08; **Act No. 4, 2008**

**Infrastructure Australia Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 21/2/08; Passed 17/3/08

CID amendments: 5 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 18/3/08; Passed 19/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 5 Opp/passed; 1 Dem/passed; 3 AG/negated

[Reps disagreed to Senate amendments 19/3/08: Senate did not insist on its amendments 20/3/08]

**Assent:** 8/4/08; **Act No. 17, 2008**

**International Tax Agreements Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 15/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 15/9/08; Passed 18/9/08

SBC report 9/08 (tabled and adopted 3/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 3/10/08; **Act No. 102, 2008**

**International Tax Agreements Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 17/9/08; Passed 24/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 16/10/08

SBC report 11/08 (tabled and adopted 18/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 31/10/08; **Act No. 111, 2008**



**Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 19/3/08**Senate:** Intro. 19/3/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 19/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference**Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2008****Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 23/10/08**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee; report presented 21/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08

**Assent:** 11/12/08; Act No. 147, 2008**Judiciary Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 23/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 24/6/08; Passed 24/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 1/7/08; Act No. 71, 2008**Lands Acquisition Legislation Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 13/5/08**Senate:** Intro. 14/5/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 12/7/08; Act No. 82, 2008**Law Officers Legislation Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 3/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 24/6/08; Act No. 40, 2008**PS Marriage (Relationships Equality) Amendment Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Nettle—AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/2/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Migration Amendment (Notification Review) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 24/9/08

CID amendments: 12 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 13/10/08; Passed 14/10/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 31/10/08; Act No. 112, 2008

- PS R Migration Legislation Amendment (Access to Judicial Review of Migration Decisions) Bill 2007 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 1/3/07; 2nd reading adjourned 1/3/07  
SBC report 4/07 (tabled and adopted 21/3/07): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- S Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 1) 2008**  
**Senate:** Intro. 25/6/08; Passed 28/8/08  
SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08): No reference  
Committee amendments: 10 Govt/passed; 8 items negatived  
**Reps:** Intro. 1/9/08; Passed 4/9/08  
**Assent:** 15/9/08; **Act No. 85, 2008**
- S Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2008**  
**Senate:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08  
SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): No reference
- PS R Migration Legislation Amendment (Complementary Protection Visas) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 13/9/06; Negatived at 2nd reading 20/3/08  
SBC report 10/06 (tabled and adopted 14/9/06): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS R Migration Legislation Amendment (End of Mandatory Detention) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 7/9/06; 2nd reading adjourned 7/9/06  
SBC report 10/06 (tabled and adopted 14/9/06): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS R Migration Legislation Amendment (Migration Zone Excision Repeal) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 15/6/06; 2nd reading adjourned 15/6/06  
SBC report 6/06 (tabled and adopted 22/6/06): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

- PS  
R Migration Legislation Amendment (Migration Zone Excision Repeal) (Consequential Provisions) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 15/6/06; 2nd reading adjourned 15/6/06  
SBC report 6/06 (tabled and adopted 22/6/06): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS  
R Migration Legislation Amendment (Provisions Relating to Character and Conduct) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 14/8/06; 2nd reading adjourned 14/8/06  
SBC report 9/06 (tabled and adopted 7/9/06): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS  
R Migration Legislation Amendment (Restoration of Rights and Procedural Fairness) Bill 2007 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 8/8/07; 2nd reading adjourned 8/8/07  
SBC report 13/07 (tabled and adopted 16/8/07): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS  
R Migration Legislation Amendment (Temporary Protection Visas Repeal) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 22/6/06; 2nd reading adjourned 22/6/06  
SBC report 7/06 (tabled and adopted 9/8/06): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- S Migration Legislation Amendment (Worker Protection) Bill 2008**  
**Senate:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 27/11/08  
SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; interim report presented 7/11/08 and tabled 10/11/08; final report tabled 10/11/08  
**Reps:** Intro. 1/12/08; Passed 3/12/08  
**Assent:** 18/12/08; Act No. 159, 2008
- Military Memorials of National Significance Bill 2008**  
**Reps:** Intro. 19/3/08; Passed 23/6/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated  
**Senate:** Intro. 24/6/08; Passed 26/6/08  
SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference  
**Assent:** 12/7/08; Act No. 80, 2008

**PS R Ministers of State (Post-Retirement Employment Restrictions) Bill 2002 [2008]**  
(Introduced by Senators Stott Despoja and Murray—AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/02; 2nd reading adjourned 13/3/02  
SBC report 2/02 (tabled and adopted 20/3/02): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 17/11/04, 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**Nation-building Funds Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/11/08; Passed 1/12/08

**Senate:** Intro. 3/12/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee upon introduction in Reps (13/11/08); extension of time to report 10/11/08; report due 1/12/08; report tabled 2/12/08

Committee amendments: 67 Opp/passed; 9 AG-Opp/passed; 2 clauses negated; 3 AG/negated; 1 Opp to AG-Opp/negated; 1 AG to AG-Opp/negated

[Reps disagreed to Senate amendments 4/12/08; Senate did not insist on its amendments 5/12/08 a.m.]

**Assent: 18/12/08; Act No. 154. 2008**

**Nation-building Funds (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/11/08; Passed 1/12/08

**Senate:** Intro. 3/12/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee upon introduction in Reps (13/11/08); extension of time to report 10/11/08; report due 1/12/08; report tabled 2/12/08

Committee amendments: 1 Opp/passed; 6 items negated

[Reps disagreed to Senate amendments 4/12/08; Senate did not insist on its amendments 5/12/08 a.m.]

**Assent: 18/12/08; Act No. 155. 2008**

**PS National Commissioner for Children Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Bartlett—AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 18/3/08; 2nd reading adjourned 18/3/08  
SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**National Film and Sound Archive Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/2/08; Passed 12/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 13/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent: 20/3/08; Act No. 14. 2008**

**National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negatived

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 12/11/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; interim report tabled 27/8/08; final report tabled 14/10/08

**National Fuelwatch (Empowering Consumers) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 12/11/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; interim report tabled 27/8/08; final report tabled 14/10/08

**National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 27/8/08**Senate:** Intro. 28/8/08; Passed 2/9/08

SBC report 8/08 (tabled and adopted 27/8/08); No reference

**Assent: 15/9/08; Act No. 84, 2008****National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical and Other Benefits—Cost Recovery) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 28/8/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Community Affairs Committee 18/6/08; report due not before 18/8/08; report presented 22/8/08 and tabled 26/8/08

**National Health Amendment (Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme) Bill 2008****Reps:** intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 17/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); No reference

**Assent: 25/6/08; Act No. 49, 2008****PS National Market Driven Energy Efficiency Target Bill 2007 [2008]****R** (Introduced by Senator Allison – AD)**Senate:** Intro. 14/8/07; 2nd reading adjourned 14/8/07

SBC report 13/07 (tabled and adopted 16/8/07); Referred to Economics Committee: interim report tabled 17/9/07; extension of time to report 17/9/07; further interim report tabled 12/2/08

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08); Referred to Economics Committee: report presented 30/5/08 and tabled 16/6/08

**National Measurement Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 13/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 24/11/08; Passed 27/11/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): No reference

**Assent: 8/12/08; Act No. 137, 2008**

**National Rental Affordability Scheme Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 23/10/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 24/11/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Community Affairs Committee; report due 20/11/08; report presented 12/11/08 and tabled 13/11/08

2nd reading amendments: 1 Opp – Question divided: paragraphs (a) to (e)/negated; paragraphs (f) and (g)/passed; 1 AG/negated

**Assent: 25/11/08; Act No. 121, 2008**

**National Rental Affordability Scheme (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 23/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 24/11/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Community Affairs Committee; report due 20/11/08; report presented 12/11/08 and tabled 13/11/08

Committee amendments: 2 Govt/passed

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 24/11/08]

**Assent: 28/11/08; Act No. 130, 2008**

**Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Datum) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 3/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 4/9/08

SBC report 9/08 (tabled and adopted 3/9/08): No reference

**Assent: 20/9/08; Act No. 88, 2008**

**Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 18/9/08

CID amendments: 93 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 10/11/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 16/10/08; report tabled 23/9/08

Committee amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 11 Opp/passed; 11 AG/negated

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 11/11/08]

**Assent: 21/11/08; Act No. 117, 2008**

**Offshore Petroleum Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 13/5/08

**Senate:** Intro. 14/5/08; Passed 15/5/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08); No reference

**Assent: 26/5/08; Act No. 21, 2008**

**Offshore Petroleum (Annual Fees) Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 18/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 22/9/08; Passed 10/11/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 16/10/08; report tabled 23/9/08

**Assent: 21/11/08; Act No. 118, 2008**

**Offshore Petroleum (Registration Fees) Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 18/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 22/9/08; Passed 10/11/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 16/10/08; report tabled 23/9/08

**Assent: 21/11/08; Act No. 119, 2008**

**Offshore Petroleum (Safety Levies) Amendment (Greenhouse Gas Storage) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 18/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 22/9/08; Passed 10/11/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 16/10/08; report tabled 23/9/08

**Assent: 21/11/08; Act No. 120, 2008**

**PS Parliamentary Charter of Rights and Freedoms Bill 2001 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Lees – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 27/9/01; 2nd reading adjourned 27/9/01

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 9/11/05, 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**PS Parliamentary (Judicial Misbehaviour or Incapacity) Commission Bill 2007 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Kirk – ALP)

**Senate:** Intro. 11/9/07; 2nd reading adjourned 11/9/07

SBC report 16/07 (tabled and adopted 20/9/07): No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 15/5/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Passenger Movement Charge Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 4/6/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negatived

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 25/6/08  
SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; report tabled 24/6/08

**Assent:** 30/6/08; **Act No. 58, 2008**

**PS Patents Amendment Bill 1996 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Stott-Despoja – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 27/6/96; 2nd reading adjourned 27/6/96  
SBC report 10/96 (tabled and adopted 12/9/96): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 23/11/98, 14/5/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**PS Peace and Non-Violence Commission Bill 2007 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Allison – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/07; 2nd reading adjourned 18/6/07  
SBC report 12/07 (tabled and adopted 9/8/07): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**PS Plastic Bag Levy (Assessment and Collection) Bill 2002 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator B Brown – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 21/10/02; 2nd reading adjourned 21/10/02  
SBC report 2/03 (tabled and adopted 5/3/03): Referred to Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee; extensions of time to report 7/10/03, 29/10/03; report tabled 26/11/03; corrigendum tabled 1/3/04  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/5/08  
SBC report 11/08 (tabled and adopted 18/9/08): No reference

**PS Plebiscite for an Australian Republic Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator B Brown – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 11/11/08; 2nd reading adjourned 11/11/08  
SBC report 15/08 (tabled and adopted 13/11/08): Referred to Finance and Public Administration Committee; extension of time to report 25/11/08; report due 15/6/09

**PS Poker Machine Harm Minimisation Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Fielding – FFP)

**Senate:** Intro. 19/6/08; 2nd reading adjourned 19/6/08  
SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): Referred to Community Affairs Committee; report tabled 10/11/08

**PS Poker Machine Harm Reduction Tax (Administration) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Fielding – FFP)

**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/2/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): Referred to Community Affairs Committee; extensions of time to report 18/3/08, 26/6/08; report tabled 10/11/08



**PS R Pregnancy Counselling (Truth in Advertising) Bill 2006 [2008]**  
 (Introduced by Senators Stott Despoja – AD, Troeth – LP, Nettle – AG and C Brown – ALP)  
**Senate:** Intro. 7/12/06; 2nd reading adjourned 7/12/06, 14/6/07  
 SBC report 1/07 (tabled and adopted 8/2/07): No reference  
 Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 19/6/08 (by Senators Stott Despoja and Nettle)  
 SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): No reference

**PS R Privacy (Data Security Breach Notification) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]**  
 (Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 16/8/07; 2nd reading adjourned 16/8/07  
 SBC report 16/07 (tabled and adopted 20/9/07): No reference  
 Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08  
 SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**PS R Privacy (Extension to Political Acts and Practices) Amendment Bill 2006 [2008]**  
 (Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 22/6/06; 2nd reading adjourned 22/6/06  
 SBC report 7/06 (tabled and adopted 9/8/06): No reference  
 Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08  
 SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

#### **Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 3/6/08  
**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08  
 SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference  
**Assent:** 25/6/08; Act No. 54, 2008

**PS R Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising Bill 2006 [2008]**  
 (Introduced by Senator Allison – AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 30/3/06; 2nd reading adjourned 30/3/06  
 SBC report 7/06 (tabled and adopted 9/8/06): No reference  
 Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08  
 SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**PS Protecting Children from Junk Food Advertising (Broadcasting Amendment) Bill 2008**  
 (Introduced by Senator B Brown – AG)  
**Senate:** Intro. 4/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 4/9/08  
 SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): Referred to Community Affairs Committee;  
 extension of time to report 1 1/1 1/08; report tabled 2/12/08

#### **Protection of the Sea (Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 26/5/08  
**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08  
 SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference  
**Assent:** 12/7/08; Act No. 76, 2008

**Protection of the Sea (Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 26/5/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08); No reference

Assent: 12/7/08; Act No. 77, 2008

**Protection of the Sea Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 25/6/08

Senate: Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 28/8/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08); No reference

Assent: 3/10/08; Act No. 94, 2008

**PS Public Interest Disclosures Bill 2007 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Murray-- AD)

Senate: Intro. 14/6/07; 2nd reading adjourned 14/6/07

SBC report 12/07 (tabled and adopted 9/8/07); No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**PS Qantas Sale (Keep Jetstar Australian) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Fielding-- FFP)

Senate: Intro. 27/2/07; 2nd reading adjourned 27/2/07

SBC report 3/07 (tabled and adopted 1/3/07); Referred to Economics Committee; report tabled 20/3/07; corrected comments tabled 28/3/07

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 13/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**Quarantine Amendment (National Health Security) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 19/3/08; Passed 29/5/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08); No reference

Assent: 1/7/08; Act No. 68, 2008

**PS Renewable Energy Amendment (Feed-in-Tariff for Electricity) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Milne-- AG)

Senate: Intro. 11/11/08; 2nd reading adjourned 11/11/08, 13/11/08

SBC report 15/08 (tabled and adopted 13/11/08); No reference

**PS Renewable Energy Amendment (Increased Mandatory Renewable Energy Target) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Milne-- AG)

Senate: Intro. 27/11/08; 2nd reading adjourned 27/11/08

- PS Renewable Energy (Electricity) Amendment (Feed-in-Tariff) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Milne—AG)  
**Senate:** Intro. 15/5/08; Discharged from *Notice Paper* 11/11/08  
SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee; extension of time to report 25/9/08; report tabled 10/11/08
- PS Renewable Energy Legislation Amendment (Renewable Power Percentage) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator Allison—AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/2/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): Referred to Economics Committee; report presented 30/5/08 and tabled 16/6/08
- PS Repatriation of Citizens Bill 2007 [2008]**  
**R** (Introduced by Senators Allison and Stott Despoja—AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 29/3/07; 2nd reading adjourned 29/3/07  
SBC report 10/07 (tabled and adopted 21/6/07): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- PS Republic (Consultation of the People) Bill 2001 [2008]**  
**R** (Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja—AD)  
**Senate:** Intro. 26/9/01; 2nd reading adjourned 26/9/01  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/5/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference
- Reserve Bank Amendment (Enhanced Independence) Bill 2008**  
**Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 26/5/08  
CID amendment: 1 Opp/negated  
**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 23/6/08  
SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 31/5/08; interim report presented 30/5/08 and tabled 16/6/08; final report presented 11/6/08 and tabled 16/6/08  
Committee amendments: 2 Opp/passed; 1 Dem./passed; 1 FFP to Opp/negated  
[Reps reported message 24/6/08]
- PS Restoring Territory Rights (Voluntary Euthanasia Legislation) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator B Brown—AG)  
**Senate:** Intro. 17/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 17/9/08  
SBC report 11/08 (tabled and adopted 18/9/08): No reference
- PS Rights of the Terminally Ill (Euthanasia Laws Repeal) Bill 2008**  
(Introduced by Senator B Brown—AG)  
**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/2/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; extensions of time to report 18/3/08, 23/6/08, 25/6/08; report tabled 26/6/08

**Road Charges Legislation Repeal and Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 23/10/08

CID amendments: 5 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee; report presented 21/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08

Committee requests: 8 Govt/passed; 2 Opp/passed; 1 FFP/passed; 2 Opp/negated

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 4/12/08]

**Assent:** 11/12/08; **Act No. 148, 2008**

**Road Transport Charges (Australian Capital Territory) Repeal Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 19/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 19/3/08; Negated at 2nd reading 19/3/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**Safe Work Australia Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 22/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 23/9/08; Passed 14/10/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 8 Opp/passed; 1 AG/passed; 3 Ind (Xenophon)/passed; 1 Division negated; 13 subclauses negated

[Reps disagreed to Senate amendments 20/10/08; Senate insisted on its amendments 10/11/08; Reps insisted on disagreeing to Senate amendments 11/11/08; Senate again insisted on its amendments 4/12/08; Reps laid bill aside 4/12/08]

**Safe Work Australia (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 22/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 23/9/08; Passed 14/10/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): No reference

**Assent:** 18/12/08; **Act No. 157, 2008**

**PS R Same-Sex Marriages Bill 2006 [2008]**

(Introduced by Senators Stott Despoja and Bartlett – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 15/6/06; 2nd reading adjourned 15/6/06

SBC report 6/06 (tabled and adopted 22/6/06): No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—General Law Reform) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 4/9/08; Passed 24/9/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 26/11/08

SBC report 10/08 (tabled and adopted 4/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; extensions of time to report 22/9/08, 25/9/08; report tabled 14/10/08

Committee requests: 2 Govt/passed

Committee amendments: 91 Govt/passed; 3 Parts negated; 24 items negated; 5 AG/negated

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 25/11/08; Reps agreed to Senate amendments 27/11/08]

**Assent:** 9/12/08; **Act No. 144, 2008****Same-Sex Relationships (Equal Treatment in Commonwealth Laws—Superannuation) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 28/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 24/11/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08); Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee 18/6/08; extensions of time to report 22/9/08, 25/9/08; report tabled 14/10/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negated

Committee requests: 2 Govt/passed

Committee amendments: 3 Govt/passed; 1 Opp/passed; 1 Govt/negated; 2 AG/negated; 2 AG to Govt/negated

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 24/11/08; Reps agreed to Senate amendments nos 2, 3 and 4, disagreed to Senate amendment no. 1 and agreed to 4 Govt amendments in place of Senate amendment no. 1, 25/11/08; Senate did not insist on its amendment no. 1 and agreed to Reps amendments in its place 26/11/08]

**Assent:** 4/12/08; **Act No. 134, 2008****PS Same-Sex: Same Entitlements Bill 2007 [2008]****R** (Introduced by Senators Allison, Bartlett, Murray and Stott Despoja – AD)**Senate:** Intro. 14/8/07; 2nd reading adjourned 14/8/07

SBC report 13/07 (tabled and adopted 16/8/07): No reference [Report of inquiry (conducted by Democrat senators) tabled 20/9/07]

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**PS Save Our Solar (Solar Rebate Protection) Bill 2008 [No. 2]**

(Introduced by Senator Johnston – LP)

**Senate:** Intro. 24/6/08; 2nd reading adjourned 24/6/08, 25/9/08

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee 25/6/08; interim report presented 15/8/08 and tabled 26/8/08; final report presented 25/8/08 and tabled 26/8/08

**Schools Assistance Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 21/10/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated  
CID amendments: 3 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 2/12/08  
SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Education,  
Employment and Workplace Relations Committee; report tabled 27/11/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negated  
Committee amendments: 4 Govt/passed; 4 Opp/passed; 1 clause negated; 4 AG/negated

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments nos 1 to 3 and 5 to 9 and disagreed to Senate amendment no. 4, 3/12/08; Senate did not insist on its amendment (amendment to motion that report from the committee be adopted: 1 FFP/negated) 4/12/08]

**Assent: 11/12/08; Act No. 153, 2008**

**Screen Australia and the National Film and Sound Archive (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/2/08; Passed 12/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 13/3/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent: 20/3/08; Act No. 13, 2008**

**Screen Australia Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/2/08; Passed 12/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 13/3/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent: 20/3/08; Act No. 12, 2008**

**Skills Australia Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 11/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 12/3/08; Passed 12/3/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): Deferred  
Committee amendment: 1 Dem/negated

**Assent: 20/3/08; Act No. 10, 2008**

**Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Economic Security Strategy) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 11/11/08; Passed 13/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 24/11/08; Passed 24/11/08  
SBC report 15/08 (tabled and adopted 13/11/08): No reference  
2nd reading amendment: 1 AG/negated

**Assent: 1/12/08; Act No. 131, 2008**

**Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Employment Entry Payment) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 4/6/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 23/6/08  
SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 30/6/08; Act No. 64, 2008

**Social Security and Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Enhanced Allowances) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 20/2/08

**Senate:** Intro. 11/3/08; Passed 12/3/08  
Committee request: 1 AG/negated  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/3/08; Act No. 5, 2008

**Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (One-off Payments and Other Budget Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/5/08; Passed 14/5/08

**Senate:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 15/5/08

**Assent:** 26/5/08; Act No. 19, 2008

**Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Schooling Requirements) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 4/9/08

**Senate:** Intro. 15/9/08; Passed 4/12/08  
SBC report 9/08 (tabled and adopted 3/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Community Affairs Committee; report tabled 13/11/08  
Committee amendments: 3 AG/negated

**Assent:** 11/12/08; Act No. 149, 2008

**Social Security Legislation Amendment (Employment Services Reform) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 24/9/08; Passed 24/11/08  
CID amendments: 7 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 25/11/08; Negated at 2nd reading 4/12/08  
SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Committee; report tabled 24/11/08

**PS Special Broadcasting Service Amendment (Prohibition of Disruptive Advertising) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Allison—AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 12/3/08; 2nd reading adjourned 12/3/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**PS State Elections (One Vote, One Value) Bill 2001 [2008]****R** (Introduced by Senator Murray – AD)**Senate:** Intro. 7/8/01; 2nd reading adjourned 7/8/01, 21/8/03

SBC report 15/01 (tabled and adopted 26/9/01); Deferred

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/pending

**Reference:** Referred to Legal and Constitutional References Committee 9/9/03; extension of time to report 28/10/03; interim report tabled 1/3/04; extension of time to report 1/3/04; report tabled 3/3/04Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 13/2/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**S Statute Law Revision Bill 2008****Senate:** Intro. 19/3/08; Passed 15/5/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08); No reference

**Reps:** Intro. 26/5/08; Passed 25/6/08**Assent:** 3/7/08; Act No. 73, 2008**PS Stolen Generation Compensation Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Bartlett – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 14/2/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/2/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08); Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; report tabled 16/6/08

**PS Stolen Generations Reparations Tribunal Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Siewert – AG)

**Senate:** Intro. 24/9/08; 2nd reading adjourned 24/9/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08); No reference

**Superannuation (Departing Australia Superannuation Payments Tax) Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** intro. 25/9/08; Passed 22/10/08**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08); Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 20/11/08; report presented 18/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08; minority report tabled 24/11/08

**Assent:** 11/12/08; Act No. 152, 2008**S Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Trustee Board and Other Measures) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008****Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 15/5/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**Reps:** Intro. 26/5/08; Passed 4/6/08**Assent:** 23/6/08; Act No. 26, 2008



**Sydney Airport Demand Management Amendment Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 28/5/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

**Assent:** 12/7/08; **Act No. 83, 2008****Tax Agent Services Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 13/11/08; 2nd reading adjourned 13/11/08**Senate:**

SBC report 16/08 (tabled and adopted 26/11/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 12/2/09

**Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 21/2/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 11/3/08; Negated at 3rd reading 26/6/08

Reference: Provisions of Schedule 1 referred to Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters 19/3/08; report tabled 17/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 2 Govt/passed; 5 Schedules negated; 4 AG/negated

[Amendments to motion to adopt report from committee 26/6/08: 1 Opp/passed (reference to committee—see below); 1 AG to Opp/negated]

Reference: Matters relating to carbon sink forests referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee 26/6/08; interim report presented 22/8/08 and tabled 26/8/08; extensions of time for final report 26/8/08, 28/8/08, 3/9/08; final report tabled 23/9/08

**Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 2) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 14/5/08

CID amendments: 6 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 17/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 3 Govt/passed

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 23/6/08]

**Assent:** 24/6/08; **Act No. 38, 2008****Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 3) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 5/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 3 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 1/9/08

Reference: Provisions of Schedules 1 and 2 referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 28/8/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/9/08; **Act No. 91, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 4) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 28/8/08

**Senate:** Intro. 1/9/08; Passed 3/9/08

SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 27/8/08; report tabled 26/8/08

Committee amendments: 1 Opp/passed; 1 Schedule negated

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 17/9/08]

**Assent: 3/10/08; Act No. 97, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (2008 Measures No. 5) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 24/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 25/11/08; Passed 1/12/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; interim report tabled 13/10/08; extension of time to report 13/10/08; final report tabled 10/11/08; additional comments tabled 24/11/08

Committee amendments: 2 AG-Joyce-Xenophon/negated

**Assent: 9/12/08; Act No. 145, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 27/5/08; Passed 28/5/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 25/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Referred to Economics Committee; report tabled 24/6/08

**Assent: 30/6/08; Act No. 59, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (Education Refund) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 11/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 12/11/08; Passed 27/11/08

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report tabled 13/10/08

**Assent: 9/12/08; Act No. 141, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (Election Commitments No. 1) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent: 23/6/08; Act No. 32, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (Luxury Car Tax) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 26/5/08; Passed 28/5/08

CID amendment: 1 Ind (Windsor)/negatived

**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 4/9/08 [*but see below*]

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 28/8/08

2nd reading moved again and agreed to 22/9/08; Passed 25/9/08

Committee requests: 1 Govt/passed; 2 Ind (Xenophon)/passed; 1 FFP/passed; 4 Opp/negatived

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 24/9/08]

**Assent: 3/10/08; Act No. 101, 2008****Tax Laws Amendment (Luxury Car Tax—Minor Amendments) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 25/11/08; Passed 27/11/08**Senate:** Intro. 1/12/08; Passed 4/12/08

SBC report 16/08 (tabled and adopted 26/11/08): No reference

**Assent: 11/12/08; Act No. 150, 2008****Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy and Medicare Levy Surcharge) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 27/5/08; Passed 28/5/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 18/6/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): No reference

**Assent: 25/6/08; Act No. 50, 2008****Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy Surcharge Thresholds) Bill 2008****Reps:** Intro. 27/5/08; Passed 29/5/08**Senate:** Intro. 16/6/08; Negatived at 2nd reading 24/9/08

SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Deferred

Reference: Bill and related matters referred to Economics Committee 18/6/08; report tabled 27/8/08

**Tax Laws Amendment (Medicare Levy Surcharge Thresholds) Bill (No. 2) 2008****Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 13/10/08**Senate:** Intro. 14/10/08; Passed 16/10/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): No reference

Committee amendments: 1 AG/passed; 6 AG/Ind (Xenophon)/passed; 6 Ind (Xenophon)/withdrawn

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 16/10/08]

**Assent: 31/10/08; Act No. 110, 2008**

**Tax Laws Amendment (Personal Income Tax Reduction) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 12/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 16/6/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report presented 1/5/08 and tabled 13/5/08

Committee amendments: 34 Dem/negated; 28 AG/negated

**Assent:** 23/6/08; Act No. 29, 2008

**Tax Laws Amendment (Political Contributions and Gifts) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 13/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 14/10/08; 2nd reading adjourned 14/10/08

SBC report 9/08 (tabled and adopted 3/9/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 5/11/08; report presented 20/10/08 and tabled 10/11/08

**Tax Laws Amendment (Taxation of Financial Arrangements) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 4/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 4/12/08

**Senate:**

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 20/2/09

**PS Taxation Laws Amendment (Scholarships) Bill 2005 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 21/6/05; 2nd reading adjourned 21/6/05

SBC report 7/05 (tabled and adopted 10/8/05): No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

**Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 20/2/08; Passed 12/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 14/5/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): Referred to Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee; interim report presented 1/5/08 and tabled 13/5/08; final report presented 6/5/08 and tabled 13/5/08

Committee amendments: 20 Govt/passed; 1 subsection negated; 1 Dem/negated

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 14/5/08]

**Assent:** 26/5/08; Act No. 23, 2008

**Telecommunications Interception Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/6/08; Passed 28/8/08

**Senate:** Intro. 28/8/08; Passed 28/8/08

SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 3/10/08; Act No. 95, 2008

**Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Communications Fund) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 19/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 20/3/08; Discharged from *Notice Paper* 17/6/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); Provisions of bill referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee; report presented 30/4/08 and tabled 13/5/08

**S Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (National Broadband Network) Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 19/3/08; Passed 14/5/08

Reference: Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee 20/3/08; interim report presented 7/5/08 and tabled 13/5/08; final report presented 9/5/08 and tabled 13/5/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/passed

Committee amendments: 13 Govt/passed; 16 Opp (1 as amended by Dem)/passed; 2 Govt/negated

**Reps:** Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 15/5/08

CID amendments: 18 Govt/passed

[Senate agreed to Reps amendments 15/5/08]

**Assent: 26/5/08; Act No. 22, 2008**

**Temporary Residents' Superannuation Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 22/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 5/12/08 a.m.

SBC report 12/08 (tabled and adopted 25/9/08); Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 20/11/08; report presented 18/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08; minority report tabled 24/11/08

Committee amendments: 11 Govt/passed; 1 item negated; 1 Ind (Xenophon)/withdrawn

Committeerequests: 3 Govt/passed

[Reps made Senate requests for amendments 4/12/08; Reps agreed to Senate amendments 5/12/08]

**Assent: 11/12/08; Act No. 151, 2008**

**PS Textbook Subsidy Bill 2003 [2008]**

**R** (introduced by Senator Stott Despoja – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 18/6/03; 2nd reading adjourned 18/6/03

SBC report 7/03 (tabled and adopted 25/6/03): No reference

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 17/11/04, 14/2/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**S Therapeutic Goods Amendment (Medical Devices and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Senate:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): No reference

**Therapeutic Goods Amendment (Poisons Standard) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 14/2/08; Passed 11/3/08

CID amendments: 2 Govt/passed

**Senate:** Intro. 12/3/08; Passed 13/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/3/08; Act No. 9, 2008

**Therapeutic Goods Legislation Amendment (Annual Charges) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 18/6/08; Passed 27/8/08

**Senate:** Intro. 27/8/08; Passed 28/8/08

SBC report 6/08 (tabled and adopted 25/6/08): No reference

**Assent:** 3/10/08; Act No. 96, 2008

**Trade Practices Amendment (Access Declarations) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 11/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 12/3/08; Passed 13/3/08

SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 20/3/08; Act No. 7, 2008

**Trade Practices Amendment (Cartel Conduct and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**Senate:**

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 20/2/09

**Trade Practices Amendment (Clarity in Pricing) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 15/10/08

**Senate:** Intro. 16/10/08; Passed 11/11/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): No reference

**Assent:** 25/11/08; Act No. 126, 2008

**PS Trade Practices (Creeping Acquisitions) Amendment Bill 2007 [2008]**

**R** (Introduced by Senator Fielding-- FFP)

**Senate:** Intro. 20/9/07; 2nd reading adjourned 20/9/07

Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 13/2/08

SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08): Referred to Economics Committee; report due 27/8/08; report tabled 26/8/08

**Trade Practices Legislation Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 26/6/08; Passed 1/9/08  
2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

**Senate:** Intro. 2/9/08; Passed 16/9/08  
SBC report 7/08 (tabled and adopted 26/6/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 27/8/08; report tabled 26/8/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Ind (Xenophon)/passed  
Committee amendments: 1 Ind (Xenophon)/passed; 8 items negated

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments nos 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7, disagreed to Senate amendments nos 2 and 5 and agreed to 6 Govt further amendments 16/10/08; Senate did not insist on its amendments nos 2 and 5 and agreed to Reps further amendments 10/11/08]

**Assent:** 21/11/08; Act No. 116, 2008

**Tradex Scheme Amendment Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 21/2/08; Passed 19/3/08

**Senate:** Intro. 20/3/08; Passed 20/3/08  
SBC report 2/08 (tabled and adopted 12/3/08): No reference

**Assent:** 8/4/08; Act No. 18, 2008

**Transport Security Amendment (2008 Measures No. 1) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 11/11/08

**Senate:** Intro. 12/11/08; Passed 27/11/08  
SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): No reference

**Assent:** 8/12/08; Act No. 138, 2008

**PS Unit Pricing (Easy comparison of grocery prices) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Fielding – FFP)

**Senate:** Intro. 15/5/08; 2nd reading adjourned 15/5/08  
SBC report 5/08 (tabled and adopted 18/6/08): Referred to Economics Committee; report due 2/9/08; report tabled 1/9/08

**PS R Uranium Mining in or near Australian World Heritage Properties (Prohibition) Bill 1998 [2008]**

(Introduced by Senator Allison – AD)

**Senate:** Intro. 28/5/98; 2nd reading adjourned 28/5/98  
SBC report 8/98 (tabled and adopted 24/6/98): No reference  
Restored to *Notice Paper* at 2nd reading 23/11/98, 11/12/02, 17/11/04, 14/2/08  
SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08): No reference

**Uranium Royalty (Northern Territory) Bill 2008**

**Reps:** Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

**Senate:**  
SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08): Provisions of bill referred to Economics Committee; report due 30/4/09

**PS Urgent Relief for Single Age Pensioners Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Coonan – LP)

Senate: Intro. 22/9/08; Passed 22/9/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 FFP/negated

Committee amendments: 2 AG/negated; 8 FFP/negated

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08); No reference

Reps: Message reported 23/9/08

**Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (International Agreements and Other Measures) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 19/3/08; Passed 4/6/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 26/6/08

SBC report 4/08 (tabled and adopted 14/5/08); No reference

Assent: 12/7/08; Act No. 81. 2008**Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (2007 Election Commitments) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 13/3/08; Passed 14/5/08

Senate: Intro. 15/5/08; Passed 19/6/08

SBC report 3/08 (tabled and adopted 19/3/08); No reference

Assent: 25/6/08; Act No. 48. 2008**Water Amendment Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 25/9/08; Passed 16/10/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 Opp/negated

CID amendments: 8 Govt/passed; 1 Ind (Windsor)/negated

Senate: Intro. 10/11/08; Passed 27/11/08

SBC report 13/08 (tabled and adopted 15/10/08): Provisions of bill referred to Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee; interim report presented 19/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08; final report presented 21/11/08 and tabled 24/11/08; corrigendum tabled 27/11/08

Committee amendments: 4 Opp (1 as amended by AG)/passed; 2 Opp-AG (1 as amended by Opp)/passed; 7 AG (1 as amended by 2 Opp)/passed; 3 Ind (Xenophon)/passed; 4 Opp/negated; 32 AG/negated; 3 Ind (Xenophon)/negated; 1 AG to Opp/negated; 1 Ind (Xenophon) to Opp/negated; 1 item opposed/item agreed to; 2 Opp/withdrawn; 1 AG/withdrawn

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments nos 1, 9 and 12 (2 Ind (Windsor) to Senate amendment no. 12 negated), disagreed to Senate amendments nos 2 to 8, 10, 11 and 13 to 15 and agreed to Senate amendment no. 16 with a Govt amendment 1/12/08; Senate did not insist on its amendments nos 2 to 8, 10, 11 and 13 to 15 and agreed to Reps amendment to Senate amendment no. 16 (motion that report from committee be adopted amended by 1 Opp (as amended by 1 AG and 1 Ind (Xenophon)) 4/12/08]

Assent: 8/12/08; Act No. 139. 2008**PS Water Amendment (Saving the Goulburn and Murray Rivers) Bill 2008**

(Introduced by Senator Birmingham – LP)

Senate: Intro. 3/12/08; 2nd reading adjourned 3/12/08

SBC report 17/08 (tabled and adopted 4/12/08); Referred to Environment, Communications and the Arts Committee; report due 27/3/09



**Wheat Export Marketing Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

Committee amendments: 9 Opp/passed

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 23/6/08]

Assent: 30/6/08; Act No. 65, 2008**Wheat Export Marketing (Repeal and Consequential Amendments) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 29/5/08; Passed 4/6/08

Senate: Intro. 16/6/08; Passed 19/6/08

Assent: 30/6/08; Act No. 66, 2008**Workplace Relations Amendment (Transition to Forward with Fairness) Bill 2008**

Reps: Intro. 13/2/08; Passed 17/3/08

Senate: Intro. 17/3/08; Passed 18/3/08

SBC report 1/08 (tabled and adopted 14/2/08): No reference

Reference: Provisions of bill referred to Employment, Education and Workplace Relations Committee 14/2/08; report due 28/4/08; report tabled 17/3/08

2nd reading amendment: 1 FFP/negated

Committee amendments: 37 Govt/passed; 16 Dem/negated; 29 AG/negated;  
2 Subdivisions opposed/Subdivisions agreed to

[Reps agreed to Senate amendments 19/3/08]

Assent: 20/3/08; Act No. 8, 2008**PS  
R Workplace Relations (Guaranteeing Paid Maternity Leave) Amendment Bill 2007  
[2008]**

(Introduced by Senator Stott Despoja—AD)

Senate: Intro. 13/9/07; 2nd reading adjourned 13/9/07

SBC report 16/07 (tabled and adopted 20/9/07): No reference

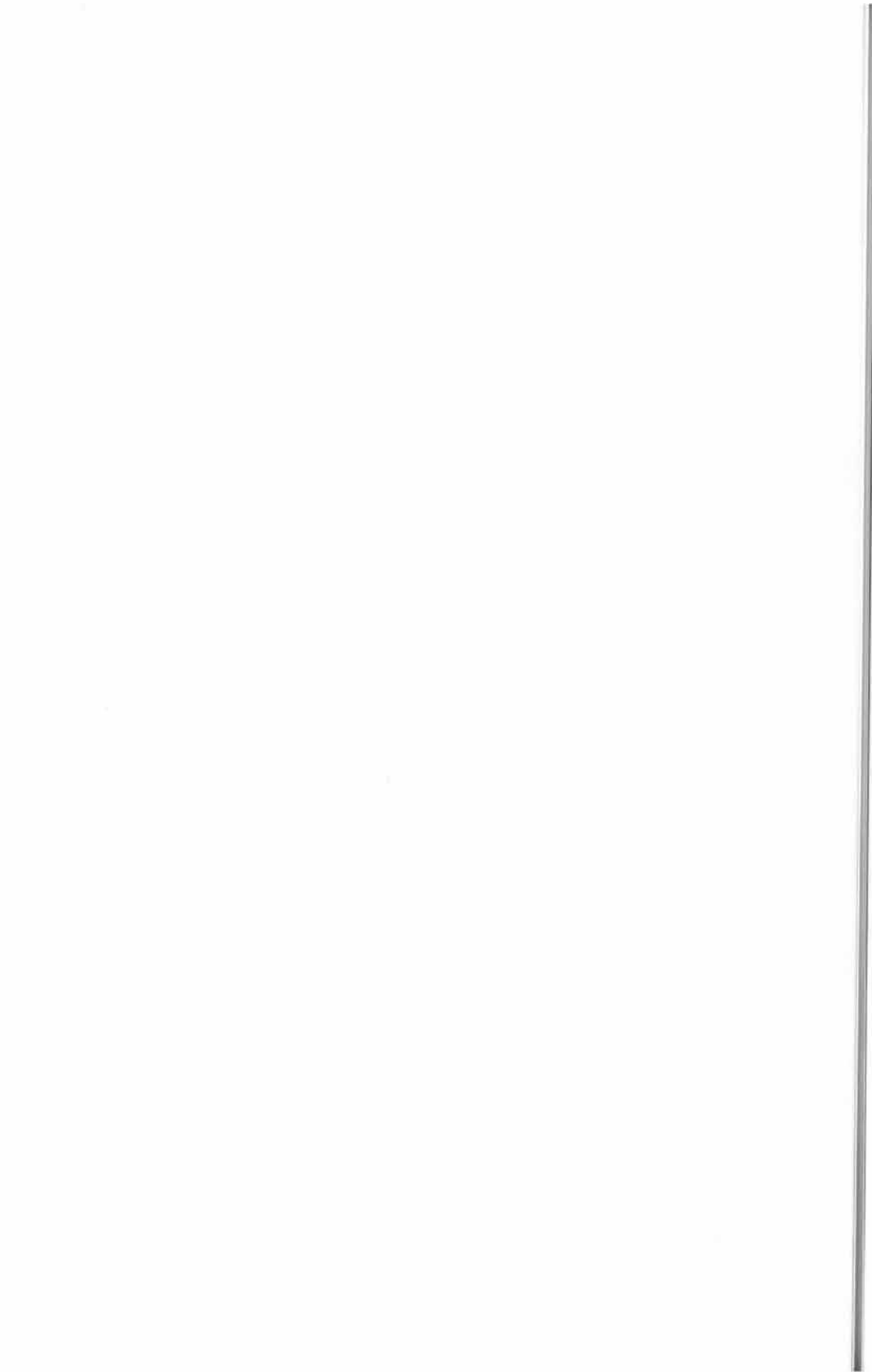
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**KEY**

S	Senate bill	AD	Australian Democrats [Dem]
PS	Private Senator's Bill	AG	Australian Greens
R	Restored to <i>Notice Paper</i>	ALP	Australian Labor Party [Opp]
ED	Exposure Draft	FFP	The Family First Party
		Ind	Independent
CID	Consideration in Detail stage (House of Representatives)	LP	Liberal Party of Australia [Govt]
SBC	Selection of Bills Committee	NATS	The Nationals [Govt]





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