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#### Parliament

A Parliament commences upon the first sitting day following a general election and concludes either at dissolution or at the expiration of three years from the first meeting of the House – whichever occurs first.

#### Session

A session commences upon the first sitting day following a general election and concludes either by prorogation (the formal ending of a session), dissolution or at the expiration of three years from the first meeting of the House. A further session commences upon the first sitting day following a prorogation and concludes in the same manner.

#### Sitting period

Sitting periods occur within a session. The sittings of the House in each calendar year are divided into three distinct periods: the Autumn sittings, from February to March; the Budget sittings, from May to June; and the Spring sittings, from August to December. In earlier years there were commonly two sitting periods: Autumn, from February to June, and Budget, from August to December.

#### Sitting

A sitting commences pursuant to the standing or sessional orders, or in accordance with a resolution of the House at a previous sitting, and concludes with the adjournment of the same sitting. The same sitting may extend over more than one day.

- adapted from House of Representatives Practice, 3rd edn, p. 228

# 39<sup>th</sup> Parliament—1<sup>st</sup> Session

Sitting periods in this session (to date):

10 November – 10 December 1998
 8 February – 31 March 1999
 11 May – 30 June 1999
 9 August – 9 December 1999
 15 February – 13 April 2000
 9 May – 29 June 2000

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# STATISTICAL SUMMARY

# **BILLS**

	Autumn Sittings	Winter Sittings	Both Sittings
	2000	2000	2000
Progress			
Initiated in House of Representatives	55	69	124
Received from Senate	3	1	4
Carried over from previous sittings	85	87	172
Total	143	157	300
Passed both Houses and assented to	51	58	109
Not passed into law—			
Still before House	48	63	111
Still before Senate	39	33	72
Laid aside in House or removed from Notice Paper	3	3	6
Negatived or discharged in Senate	2	0	2
Total	143	157	300

# Other details

Second reading amendments moved	15	19	34
Bills referred to—			
Main Committee	23	11	34
Other House/Joint committees by House/Senate	1	0	1
Other House/Joint committees by Minister	3	0	3
Bills initiated in House and amended in—			
House	4	6	10
Senate	9	10	19
Bills with amendments requested by Senate and made by House	2	4	6
Bills declared urgent	0	0	0
Private Members' bills—			
Introduced in House	7	3	10
Passed by House	0	0	0
Number of pages in bills (as introduced in House)	1629	1594	3223

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

	Autumn Sittings	Winter Sittings	Both Sittings
	2000	2000	2000
House—			
Sitting weeks	5	5	10
Sitting days	19	19	38
Hours of sittings*—			
Including suspensions of sittings <sup>1</sup>	182	187	369
Excluding suspensions of sittings <sup>1</sup>	168	170	338
Main Committee—			
Meetings	12	11	23
Hours of meetings*—			
Including suspensions <sup>2</sup>	34	47	81
Excluding suspensions <sup>2</sup>	32	38	70
Days on which—			
Adjournment motion debated in—			
House	18	16	34
Main Committee	5	5	10
Grievance debate called on and debated	4	3	7
Matters of public importance discussed	11	13	24
Private Members' business given priority	4	4	8
Meetings of House and joint committees—			
Total No.			493
Aggregate duration in hours*			901
Parliamentary committee reports presented	27	25	52
Items of private Members' business debated	17	11	28
90 second statements by private Members	52	32	84
3 minute statements by private Members in Main Committee	50	16	66
Divisions	49	23	72
Closures of—			
Member agreed to	12	4	16
Question agreed to	13	2	15
Petitions presented	82	64	146
Signatures to petitions	114734	36742	151476
Questions placed on Notice Paper	341	267	608
Questions without notice	352	331	683
Average number of questions without notice asked for each sitting day on which question time occurred	18.5	18.4	18.5

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted to the nearest hour <sup>1</sup> For example: suspensions for meals <sup>2</sup> For example: suspensions for divisions and other proceedings in the House

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# **BILLS**

# **PROGRESS**

Bills passed both Houses and assented to	Second reading moved	Act No. of 2000	Date of assent
A New Tax System (Family Assistance and Related Measures) <sup>2, 3</sup>	9 Mar	45	3 May
A New Tax System (Fringe Benefits) <sup>4</sup>	9 Mar	52	30 May
A New Tax System (Medicare Levy Surcharge—Fringe Benefits) Amendment	9 Mar	53	30 May
A New Tax System (Tax Administration) (No. 1) <sup>1, •</sup>	9 Dec‡	44	3 May
A New Tax System (Tax Administration) (No. 2) <sup>1, 5</sup>	11 May	91	30 Jun
A New Tax System (Trade Practices Amendment) <sup>2</sup>	16 Mar	69	22 Jun
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 2) <sup>x</sup>	8 Dec‡	27	3 Apr
Adelaide Airport Curfew (Private Member's bill) <sup>2</sup>	28 Jun‡	29	19 Apr
Albury-Wodonga Development Amendment	24 Nov‡	46	3 May
Appropriation (Dr Carmen Lawrence's Legal Costs) 1999-2000	6 Apr	39	3 May
Appropriation (No. 1) 2000-2001	9 May	81	30 Jun
Appropriation (No. 2) 2000-2001	9 May	82	30 Jun
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) (No. 1) 2000-2001	9 May	83	30 Jun
Appropriation (No. 3) 1999-2000	8 Dec‡	37	3 May
Appropriation (No. 4) 1999-2000	8 Dec‡	38	3 May
Australian Federal Police Legislation Amendment <sup>2</sup>	30 Sep‡	9	7 Mar
Australian Wool Research and Promotion Organisation Amendment (Funding and Wool Tax)	16 Feb	47	3 May
Authorised Non-operating Holding Companies Supervisory Levy Determination Validation	30 Jun‡	14	31 Mar
Aviation Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	8 Mar	48	3 May
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Digital Television and Datacasting) <sup>2</sup>	10 May	108	3 Aug
Census Information Legislation Amendment	17 Feb	30	19 Apr
Child Support Legislation Amendment	9 Mar	49	3 May
Civil Aviation Amendment <sup>2</sup>	9 Dec†	8	7 Mar

- † 1998
- <sup>‡</sup> 1999
- Introduced as A New Tax System (Tax Administration) (No. 2) 1999
- x Introduced as Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 3) 1999
- 1 Amended in House
- 2 Amended in Senate and agreed to by House
- 3 Requested amendments made by House. House agreed to some amendments and disagreed to others. Senate did not insist on its amendments disagreed to.
- 4 Amendment(s) requested by Senate made by House.
- 5 House disagreed to Senate amendment(s). Senate did not insist on its amendment(s).

Bills passed both Houses and assented to	Second reading moved	Act No. of 2000	Date of assent
Compensation Measures Legislation Amendment (Rent Assistance Increase)	27 Jun	93	30 Jun
Corporations Law Amendment (Employee Entitlements) <sup>6</sup>	17 Feb	78	30 Jun
Crimes at Sea <sup>1,2</sup>	30 Sep‡	13	31 Mar
Criminal Code Amendment (Application)	24 Nov‡	4	29 Feb
Customs Amendment (Alcoholic Beverages)	6 Apr	84	30 Jun
Customs Amendment (No. 1)*	25 Mar‡	7	7 Mar
Customs Legislation Amendment (Criminal Sanctions and Other Measures) <sup>1, 2</sup>	24 Nov‡	23	3 Apr
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 1)	17 Feb	67	22 Jun
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 2) <sup>x</sup>	8 Dec‡	55	30 May
Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil)	22 Jun	103	6 Jul
Dairy Adjustment Levy (Customs)	16 Feb	19	3 Apr
Dairy Adjustment Levy (Excise)	16 Feb	20	3 Apr
Dairy Adjustment Levy (General)	16 Feb	21	3 Apr
Dairy Industry Adjustment <sup>1,2</sup>	16 Feb	22	3 Apr
Datacasting Charge (Imposition) Amendment <sup>2</sup>	10 May	109	3 Aug
Diesel and Alternative Fuels Grants Scheme Amendment <sup>1</sup>	1 Jun	77	30 Jun
Employment, Education and Training Amendment	30 Mar‡	10	15 Mar
Environment and Heritage Legislation Amendment <sup>1, 2</sup>	11 May	107	19 Jul
Excise Amendment (Alcoholic Beverages)	6 Apr	85	30 Jun
Excise Tariff Amendment (No. 1)	17 Feb	68	22 Jun
Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil)	22 Jun	104	6 Jul
Export Finance and Insurance Corporation Amendment	30 Jun‡	11	15 Mar
Family and Community Services Legislation Amendment	9 Mar	70	27 Jun
Financial Management and Accountability Amendment	10 May	80	30 Jun
Financial Sector Reform (Amendments and Transitional Provisions) (No. 1) 1,2, xx	30 Jun‡	24	3 Apr
Fisheries Legislation Amendment (No. 1)*	8 Dec‡	50	3 May
Fuel Sales Grants	12 Apr	59	19 Jun
Fuel Sales Grants (Consequential Amendments)	12 Apr	60	19 Jun
General Insurance Supervisory Levy Determination Validation	30 Jun‡	15	31 Mar
Gladstone Power Station Agreement (Repeal)	24 Nov‡	26	3 Apr

<sup>† 1998</sup> 

**<sup>†</sup>** 1999

<sup>•</sup> Introduced as Customs Amendment (No. 2) 1999

x Introduced as Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 3) 1999

xx Introduced as Financial Sector Reform (Amendments and Transitional Provisions) (No. 2) 1999

<sup>\*</sup> Introduced as Fisheries Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1999

<sup>1</sup> Amended in House

<sup>2</sup> Amended in Senate agreed to by House

<sup>6</sup> House disagreed to Senate amendment. Senate did not insist on its amendment

Bills passed both Houses and assented to	Second reading moved	Act No. of 2000	Date of assent
Health Insurance Amendment (Diagnostic Imaging Services)	30 Jun‡	31	19 Apr
Health Legislation Amendment (Gap Cover Schemes) <sup>7</sup>	17 Feb	72	27 Jun
Health Legislation Amendment (No. 2) <sup>2, x</sup>	26 Nov†	6	7 Mar
Import Processing Charges Amendment	25 Mar‡	3	29 Feb
Indirect Tax Legislation Amendment <sup>1,2,8</sup>	11 May	92	30 Jun
International Tax Agreements Amendment (No. 1)	6 Apr	100	6 Jul
Interstate Road Transport Amendment	8 Mar	40	3 May
Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment	8 Mar	41	3 May
Jurisdiction of Courts Legislation Amendment <sup>1, 9</sup>	8 Mar	57	30 May
Life Insurance Supervisory Levy Determination Validation	30 Jun‡	16	31 Mar
Local Government (Financial Assistance) Amendment	11 May	71	27 Jun
Medicare Levy Amendment (CPI Indexation) 1999	9 Dec‡	54	30 May
Migration Legislation Amendment (No. 1)*	6 Mar	28	3 Apr
Ministers of State and Other Legislation Amendment	9 Dec‡	1	29 Feb
National Health Amendment (No. 1)	31 May	75	28 Jun
New Business Tax System (Alienated Personal Services Income) Tax Imposition (No. 1)	13 Apr	87	30 Jun
New Business Tax System (Alienated Personal Services Income) Tax Imposition (No. 2)	13 Apr	88	30 Jun
New Business Tax System (Alienation of Personal Services Income)	13 Apr	86	30 Jun
New Business Tax System (Integrity Measures) 1, 2	13 Apr	90	30 Jun
New Business Tax System (Miscellaneous) (No. 1) <sup>10</sup>	9 Dec‡	79	30 Jun
New Business Tax System (Miscellaneous) (No. 2) <sup>1,2</sup>	13 Apr	89	30 Jun
New Business Tax System (Venture Capital Deficit Tax) 1999	9 Dec‡	62	22 Jun
Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Legislation Amendment (No 1) <sup>1</sup>	24 Jun‡	5	7 Mar
Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Legislation Amendment (No. 2)	1 Jun	73	27 Jun
Pooled Development Funds Amendment	8 Dec‡	64	22 Jun
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies (GST Consequential Amendments)	16 Feb	32	19 Apr
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies Amendment	12 Apr	65	22 Jun
Primary Industries Legislation Amendment (Vegetable Levy)	21 Jun	101	6 Jul
Privacy Amendment (Office of the Privacy Commissioner)	9 Dec†	2	29 Feb

- † 1998
- ± 1999
- Introduced as Migration Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1999
- x Introduced as Health Legislation Amendment (No. 3) 1998
- 1 Amended in House
- 2 Amended in Senate agreed to by House
- 7 Senate amendments agreed to; decision rescinded and some amendments agreed to, 1 amended by House. Senate agreed to amendment as amended by House.
- 8 Amendment(s) requested by Senate and made by House
- 9 House agreed to some Senate amendments and amended some. Senate agreed to House amendments to Senate amendments.
- 10 House disagreed with Senate amendments and made amendments in place thereof. Senate agreed to amendments made by House.

Bills passed both Houses and assented to	Second reading moved	Act No. of 2000	Date of assent
Product Grants and Benefits Administration <sup>2</sup>	12 Apr	61	19 Jun
Product Stewardship (Oil)	22 Jun	102	6 Jul
Product Stewardship (Oil) (Consequential Amendments)	22 Jun	105	6 Jul
Radiocommunications Legislation Amendment	18 Feb‡	34	3 May
Radiocommunications (Receiver Licence Tax) Amendment	18 Feb‡	35	3 May
Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Amendment	18 Feb‡	36	3 May
Retirement Savings Account Providers Supervisory Levy Determination Validation	30 Jun‡	17	31 Mar
Road Transport Charges (Australian Capital Territory) Amendment	8 Mar	42	3 May
Sales Tax (Customs) (Industrial Safety Equipment)	11 May	96	6 Jul
Sales Tax (Excise) (Industrial Safety Equipment)	11 May	97	6 Jul
Sales Tax (General) (Industrial Safety Equipment)	11 May	98	6 Jul
Sales Tax (Industrial Safety Equipment) (Transitional Provisions)	11 May	99	6 Jul
Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) 11	16 Mar	94	30 Jun
Superannuation Supervisory Levy Determination Validation	30 Jun‡	18	31 Mar
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 2) <sup>1, 12, •</sup>	30 Jun‡	58	31 May
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 3)*	14 Oct‡	66	22 Jun
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 5)	17 Feb	43	3 May
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 6) <sup>1</sup>	11 May	76	28 Jun
Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Amendment	9 Dec‡	33	19 Apr
Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Amendment $(No. 1)^2$	10 May	95	30 Jun
Telecommunications (Interception) Legislation Amendment	16 Feb	63	22 Jun
Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Amendment	9 Dec‡	51	3 May
Therapeutic Goods Amendment	25 Nov‡	12	31 Mar
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (No. 2)	9 Mar	56	30 May
Timor Gap Treaty (Transitional Arrangements)	17 Feb	25	3 Apr
Transport Legislation Amendment	30 May	74	28 Jun

- † 1998
- ‡ 1999
- Introduced as Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 8) 1999
- \* Introduced as Taxation Law Amendment (No. 10) 1999
- 1 Amended in House
- 2 Amended in Senate and agreed to by House
- 11 House did not make amendment requested by Senate. Senate did not press requested amendment not made by House, requested a further amendment. House did not make the requested amendment. Senate did not press requested amendment not made by House. House disagreed to Senate amendments, Senate did not insist on amendments.
- 12 House agreed to some amendments, disagreed to others. Senate insisted on its amendments disagreed to. House insisted on disagreeing to amendments. Senate did not insist on amendments and made amendments in place thereof. House agreed to amendments.

Bills passed both Houses and assented to	Second reading moved	Act No. of 2000	Date of assent
Youth Allowance Consolidation <sup>1,13</sup>	11 Feb‡	106	6 Jul

Bills passed both Houses and assented to — Total: 109

# Bills not passed into law

Does not include Bills introduced in Senate but not transmitted to House

Bills still before the House	First reading	Second reading moved
Administrative Review Tribunal	28 Jun	28 Jun
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Amendment of the Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978 (Private Member's bill)	10 Apr	
Australian Wool Research and Promotion Organisation Amendment 1998	12 Nov†	12 Nov†
Aviation Legislation Amendment (No. 2)	12 Apr	12 Apr
Broadcasting Services Amendment (No. 4) 1999	9 Dec‡	9 Dec‡
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment 1998 <sup>14</sup>	25 Nov†	25 Nov
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (No. 2) 1999	8 Dec‡	8 Dec‡
Coal Industry Repeal	28 Jun	28 Jun
Compensation for Non-economic Loss (Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment) 1999	25 Mar‡	25 Mar‡
Copyright Amendment (Moral Rights) 1999	8 Dec‡	8 Dec‡
Criminal Assets Recovery (Private Member's bill)	13 Mar	
Criminal Code Amendment (Theft, Fraud, Bribery and Related Offences) 1999	24 Nov‡	24 Nov‡
Criminal Code Amendment (United Nations and Associated Personnel)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Customs Amendment (Warehouses) 1999 <sup>14</sup>	3 Jun‡	3 Jun‡
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 3)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Employee Protection (Employee Entitlements Guarantee) (Private Member's bill)	13 Mar	
Employment Security (Private Member's bill)	10 Apr	
Family and Community Services (2000 Budget and Related Measures)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Family and Community Services and Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Debt Recovery)	21 Jun	21 Jun

<sup>† 1998</sup> 

**<sup>†</sup>** 1999

<sup>1</sup> Amended in House

<sup>13</sup> House did not make requested amendments but made an amendment in place of one. Senate did not press requested amendments not made by House and agreed to amendment made by House in place of requested amendment, requested further amendments and made a consequential amendment. House made requested amendments. House agreed to Senate amendments.

<sup>14</sup> Amended in Senate

Bills still before the House	First reading	Second reading moved
Family Law Amendment 1999	22 Sep‡	22 Sep‡
Family Law Legislation Amendment (Superannuation)	13 Apr	13 Apr
Gene Technology	22 Jun	22 Jun
Gene Technology (Consequential Amendments)	22 Jun	22 Jun
Gene Technology (Licence Charges)	22 Jun	22 Jun
Government Advertising (Objectivity, Fairness and Accountability) ( <i>Private Member's bill</i> )	26 Jun	
Health Legislation Amendment (No. 3)	31 May	31 May
Higher Education Funding Amendment (No. 1)	21 Jun	21 Jun
Human Rights (Mandatory Sentencing of Juvenile Offenders) 1999	15 Mar	
Human Rights (Mandatory Sentencing of Juvenile Offenders) ( <i>Private Member's bill</i> )	10 Apr	
Import Processing Charges Amendment (Warehouses) 1999 <sup>14</sup>	3 Jun‡	3 Jun‡
Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Medicare Levy Amendment (Defence—East Timor Levy)	17 Feb	17 Feb
Migration Legislation Amendment (No. 2)	14 Mar	14 Mar
National Crime Authority Amendment (Private Member's bill)	13 Mar	
Navigation Amendment (Employment of Seafarers) 1998 <sup>14</sup>	9 Dec†	9 Dec†
Parliamentary Proceedings Broadcasting Amendment 1998	10 Nov†	
Patents Amendment (Innovation Patents)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Postal Services Legislation Amendment	6 Apr	6 Apr
Presidential Nominations Committee 1999	10 Jun‡	10 Jun‡
Privacy Amendment (Private Sector)	12 Apr	12 Apr
Protection of the Sea (Civil Liability) Amendment	28 Jun	28 Jun
Retirement Assistance for Farmers Scheme Extension	29 Jun	29 Jun
Sex Discrimination Legislation Amendment (Pregnancy and Work) ( <i>Private Member's bill</i> )	13 Mar	
States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust	26 Jun	
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 7)	29 June	29 Jun
Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Amendment (No. 2)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Telecommunications (Universal Service Levy) Amendment	29 Jun	29 Jun
Tobacco Advertising Prohibition Amendment	31 May	31 May
Trade Marks Amendment (Madrid Protocol)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Trade Practices Amendment (No. 1)	29 Jun	29 Jun

<sup>† 1998</sup> 

<sup>‡ 1999</sup> 1 Amer Amended in House

<sup>14</sup> Amended in Senate

Bills still before the House	First reading	Second reading moved
Trade Practices Amendment (International Liner Cargo Shipping)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Trade Practices Amendment (Unconscionable Conduct—Saving of State and Territory Laws) ( <i>Private Member's bill</i> )	5 Jun	
Treasury Legislation Amendment (Application of Criminal Code)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Veterans' Affairs Legislation Amendment (Budget Measures)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Vocational Education and Training Funding Amendment	21 Jun	21 Jun
Workplace Relations Amendment [No. 2] (Private Member's bill)	26 Jun	
Workplace Relations Amendment (Australian Workplace Agreements Procedures)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Workplace Relations Amendment (Secret Ballots for Protected Action)	26 Jun	26 Jun
Workplace Relations Amendment (Tallies and Picnic Days)	29 Jun	29 Jun
Workplace Relations Amendment (Termination of Employment)	27 Jun	27 Jun

# **Total bills still before the House: 63**

Bills still before the Senate	Second reading moved	Third reading
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection 1998 <sup>17</sup>	12 Nov†	11 Feb‡
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 3)	1 Jun	29 Jun
Administrative Decisions (Effect of International Instruments) 1999	13 Oct‡	11 May
Choice of Superannuation Funds (Consumer Protection) 1999	23 Sep‡	21 Oct‡
Commonwealth Superannuation Board 1998	12 Nov†	1 Dec†
Copyright Amendment (Digital Agenda) 1999 <sup>1</sup>	2 Sep‡	28 Jun
Defence Legislation Amendment (Aid to Civilian Authorities)	28 Jun	28 Jun
Defence Legislation Amendment (Flexible Career Practices)	7 Jun	28 Jun
Excise Amendment (Compliance Improvement)	21 Jun	22 Jun
Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (No. 1) <sup>1</sup>	13 Apr	21 Jun
Health Insurance (Approved Pathology Specimen Collection Centres) Tax 1999 <sup>1</sup>	9 Dec‡	12 Apr
Health Legislation Amendment (No. 4) 1999	9 Dec‡	12 Apr
Higher Education Legislation Amendment 1999	11 Mar‡	12 May‡
Human Rights Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1999 <sup>1</sup>	17 Feb‡	13 Oct‡
Migration Legislation Amendment (Parents and Other Measures)	7 Jun	26 Jun
Migration (Visa Application) Charge Amendment	7 Jun	26 Jun
Petroleum Excise Amendment (Measures to Address Evasion)	6 Apr	31 May
Petroleum Retail Legislation Repeal 1998	25 Nov†	11 Mar‡

<sup>† 1998</sup> 

<sup>‡ 1999</sup> 1 Amer Amended in House

<sup>17</sup> House agreed to some Senate amendments, disagreed to others. Not returned from Senate.

Bills still before the Senate	Second reading moved	Third reading
Renewable Energy (Electricity)	Jun 22	Jun 29
Renewable Energy (Electricity) (Charge)	Jun 22	Jun 30
Superannuation Legislation Amendment (Choice of Superannuation Funds) 1998	12 Nov†	16 Feb‡
Superannuation Legislation (Commonwealth Employment) Repeal and Amendment 1998	12 Nov†	1 Dec†
Superannuation Legislation (Commonwealth Employment) Repeal and Amendment (Consequential Amendments) 1998	12 Nov†	1 Dec†
Superannuation Legislation (Commonwealth Employment—Saving and Transitional Provisions) 1998	12 Nov†	1 Dec†
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 5) 1999	11 Mar‡	10 Jun‡
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 11) 1999	9 Dec‡	9 May
Taxation Laws Amendment (Political Donations) 1999	11 Mar‡	26 Aug‡
Tradesmen's Rights Regulation Repeal 1999	31 Mar‡	12 May‡
Transport and Territories Legislation Amendment 1999	8 Dec‡	3 Apr
Workplace Relations Amendment	11 May	1 Jun
Workplace Relations Amendment (Unfair Dismissals) 1998	12 Nov†	2 Dec†
Workplace Relations and Other Legislation Amendment (Superannuation) 1998	3 Dec†	17 Feb‡
Workplace Relations Legislation Amendment (More Jobs, Better Pay) 1999 <sup>1</sup>	30 Jun‡	29 Sep‡

# Bills still before the Senate — Total: 33

Bills laid aside in House or removed from Notice Paper	Second reading moved	Laid aside Or Removed
Aviation Noise Ombudsman 1999 (Private Member's bill)	20 Sep‡¹°	10 Apr
Defence (Re-establishment) Amendment 1999 (Private Member's bill)	18 Oct‡ <sup>1°</sup>	19 Jun
Fair Prices and Better Access for All (Petroleum) 1999 (Private Member's bill)	30 Aug‡¹°	3 Apr
Law Enforcement Committee 1999 (Private Member's bill)	30 Aug‡¹°	3 Apr
Superannuation (Entitlements of same sex couples) 1999 (Private Member's bill)	22 Nov‡¹°	26 Jun
Workplace Relations Amendment (Australian Defence Force Service and Training) 1999 ( <i>Private Member's bill</i> )	11Oct‡ <sup>1°</sup>	5 Jun

# Bills laid aside in House or removed from Notice Paper—Total: 6

<sup>† 1998</sup> 

**<sup>‡</sup>** 1999

<sup>1</sup> Amended in House

Bills negatived or discharged in Senate	Third reading in House	Second reading negatived
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 2) 1999	12 Aug‡	8 Mar
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Charges 1998	11 Feb†	9 Mar

Negatived or discharged in Senate — Total: 2

<sup>† 1998</sup> ‡ 1999

# OTHER DETAILS

Second reading amendments moved	Moved	Mover
A New Tax System (Fringe Benefits)	16 Mar	Mr Crean
A New Tax System (Tax Administration) (No. 2) 1999	13 Mar	Mr K J Thomson
A New Tax System (Tax Administration) (No. 2)	21 Jun	Mr Crean
A New Tax System (Trade Practices Amendment)	6 Apr	Mr Crean
Appropriation (No. 1) 2000-2001	29 May	Mr Tanner
Appropriation (No. 3) 1999-2000	15 Feb	Mr Tanner
Aviation Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	5 Apr	Mr M J Ferguson
Broadcasting Services Amendment (Digital Television and Datacasting)	5 Jun	Mr Smith
Compensation Measures Legislation Amendment (Rent Assistance Increase)	28 Jun	Mr Swan
Corporations Law Amendment (Employee Entitlements)	9 Mar	Mr K J Thomson
Customs Legislation Amendment (Criminal Sanctions and other Measures) 1999	17 Feb	Mr Kerr
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 1)	9 Mar	Mr K J Thomson
Dairy Industry Adjustment	8 Mar	Mr O'Connor
Diesel and Alternative Fuels Grants Scheme Amendment	20 Jun	Mr M J Ferguson
Excise Amendment (Alcoholic Beverages)	21 Jun	Mr Sidebottom
Excise Amendment (Compliance Improvement)	22 Jun	Mr K J Thomson
Financial Sector Legislation Amendment (No. 1)	21 Jun	Mr K J Thomson
Fuel Sales Grants	10 May	Mr K J Thomson
Higher Education Funding Amendment (No. 1)	30 Jun	Mr Lee
Jurisdiction of Courts Legislation Amendment	5 Apr	Mr McClelland
Local Government (Financial Assistance) Amendment	30 May	Mr Tanner
Migration Legislation Amendment (Parents and Other Measures)	22 Jun	Mr Sciacca
New Business Tax System (Alienation of Personal Services Income)	31 May	Mr Crean
New Business Tax System (Integrity Measures)	8 Jun	Mr Kerr
Petroleum Excise Amendment (Measures to Address Evasion)	30 May	Mr K J Thomson
Primary Industries (Excise) Levies (GST Consequential Amendments)	15 Mar	Mr O'Connor
Sales Tax (Customs) (Industrial Safety Equipment)	31 May	Mr K J Thomson
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 5)	13 Mar	Mr K J Thomson
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 6)	7 Jun	Mr K J Thomson
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 10) 1999	12 Apr	Mr K J Thomson
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 11) 1999	13 Apr	Mr K J Thomson
Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Amendment (No. 1)	21 Jun	Mr Smith
Telecommunications (Interception) Legislation Amendment	8 Mar	Mr McClelland
Workplace Relations Amendment	31 May	Mr Bevis

Second reading amendments moved — Total: 34

Bills referred to Main Committee	Referred	Returned
A New Tax System (Family Assistance and Related Measures) <sup>fm</sup>	4 Apr	5 Apr
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 3) 1999 <sup>w</sup>	7 Mar	9 Mar
Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Amendment (No. 3) <sup>w</sup>	27 Jun	29 Jun
Albury-Wodonga Development Amendment 1999 w	15 Feb	17 Feb
Appropriation (Dr Carmen Lawrence's Legal Costs) 1999-2000 <sup>w</sup>	11 Apr	12 Apr
Appropriation (No. 1) 2000-2001 <sup>w</sup>	7 Jun	22 Jun
Appropriation (No. 2) 2000-2001 <sup>w</sup>	7 Jun	22 Jun
Appropriation (No. 3) 1999-2000 fm	13 Mar	14 Mar
Appropriation (No. 4) 1999-2000 fm	13 Mar	14 Mar
Appropriation (Parliamentary Departments) (No. 1) 2000-2001 <sup>w</sup>	7 Jun	22 Jun
Australian Wool Research and Promotion Organisation Amendment (Funding and Wool Tax) <sup>w</sup>	7 Mar	8 Mar
Census Information Legislation Amendment <sup>u</sup>	7 Mar	9 Mar
Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Amendment (No. 2) 1999	15 Feb	
Customs Tariff Amendment (No. 3) 1999 w		6 Apr
Defence Legislation Amendment (Flexible Career Practices) <sup>w</sup>	27 Jun	28 Jun
Financial Management and Accountability Amendment <sup>w</sup>	6 Jun	7 Jun
Fisheries Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 1999 w	13 Mar	15 Mar
Gladstone Power Station Agreement (Repeal) 1999 w	15 Feb	16 Feb
International Tax Agreements Amendment (No. 1)	6 Jun	7 Jun
Interstate Road Transport Charge Amendment w	14 Mar	15 Mar
Interstate Road Transport Amendment <sup>w</sup>	14 Mar	15 Mar
Local Government (Financial Assistance) Amendment <sup>w</sup>	30 May	1 Jun
Petroleum Excise Amendment (Measures to Address Evasion)	30 May	31 May
Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Legislation Amendment (No. 2) w	6 Jun	7 Jun
Road Transport Charges (Australian Capital Territory) Amendment w	14 Mar	15 Mar
Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) <sup>w</sup>	6 Apr	6 Apr
Taxation Laws Amendment (No. 10) 1999 w	12 Apr	13 Apr
Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Amendment 1999 <sup>w</sup>	15 Feb	16 Feb
Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Amendment 1999 <sup>w</sup>	13 Mar	16 Mar
Therapeutic Goods Amendment 1999 w	15 Feb	17 Feb
Therapeutic Goods Amendment (No. 2) w	11 Apr	13 Apr
Timor Gap Treaty (Transitional Arrangements) <sup>w</sup>	7 Mar	8 Mar
Transport and Territories Legislation Amendment 1999 fm	13 Mar	15 Mar

w Agreed to without amendment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Amended in Main Committee

fm Returned to House for further consideration (resolved in Main Committee)

Reported with unresolved question

Bills referred to Main Committee	Referred	Returned
Transport Legislation Amendment <sup>w</sup>	6 Jun	7 Jun

Bills referred to Main Committee — Total: 34

Bills referred to committees		Reported
Referred by Minister—		
Legal and Constitutional Affairs—Standing Committee		
Criminal Code Amendment (Theft, Fraud, Bribery and Related Offences) 1999 (Minister for Justice and Customs)	17 Mar	26 Jun
Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) 2000 (Attorney-General)	12 Apr	26 Jun
Migration—Joint Standing Committee		
Migration Legislation Amendment (No. 2) 2000 (Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs)	12 Apr	
Referred by House/Senate—		
Corporations and Securities—Joint Statutory Committee		
Corporations Law Amendment (Employee Entitlements) 2000 (Senate)	8 Mar	10 Apr

Bills referred to committees — Total: 4

# TARIFF PROPOSALS

Customs Tariff Proposal	Moved on	Excise Tariff Proposal	Moved on
No. 1 (2000)	9 Mar	No. 1 (2000)	6 Jun
No. 2 (2000)	21 Jun	No. 2 (2000)	21 Jun
No. 3 (2000)	6 Jun	No. 3 (2000)	29 Jun
No. 4 (2000)	29 Jun		
No. 5 (2000)	29 Jun		

w Agreed to without amendment

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# **MOTIONS**

# **Approvals of work**

CSIRO/University of Queensland, St Lucia, Qld Joint building project (Mr Slipper, 17 Feb); agreed to.

Defence Science and Technology Organisation rationalisation project, Melbourne (Mr Slipper, 29 Jun); debated and agreed to.

HMAS Albatross Stage 2 Redevelopment, Nowra, NSW (Mr Slipper, 11 May); agreed to.

Navy ammunitioning facility, Twofold Bay, NSW (Mr Slipper, 29 Jun), debated and agreed to.

Parliamentary zone—

Old Parliament House gardens reconstruction (Mr Slipper, 5 Apr); debated and agreed to.

Old Parliament House refurbishment of Southwest wing (Mr Hockey, 7 Jun); agreed to.

Proposed ABC Sydney Accommodation Project, Ultimo, NSW (Mr Slipper, 13 Apr); agreed to.

## Censure/want of confidence

Minister for Aged Care—

(Mr Beazley, 8 Mar); debated and negatived.

(Mr Beazley, 15 Mar); debated and negatived.

Minister for Health and Aged Care-

(Mr Beazley, 11 May); debated and negatived.

Prime Minister—

(Mr Beazley, 15 Feb); debated and negatived.

(Mr Beazley, 3 Apr); debated and negatived.

(Mr Beazley, 28 Jun); debated and negatived.

### **Private Members' business**

Automotive industry and the GST (Dr Southcott, 29 May); debated.

Cement industry (Mr Adams, 13 Mar); debated.

Ethiopia and Eritrea (Mr Hardgrave, 19 Jun); debated.

Fiji (Mr Price, 19 Jun); debated.

Health services in rural, regional and remote Australia (Mrs Hull, 10 Apr); debated.

Human rights in Vietnam (Mr Sercombe, 10 Apr); debated.

International trade (Mr St Clair, 29 May); debated.

Media (Mr Cameron, 3 Apr); debated.

Military history and heritage (Dr Lawrence, 5 Jun); debated.

Naltrexone (Mrs Irwin, 3 Apr); debated.

Ovine Johne's Disease (Mr Schultz, 6 Mar); debated.

Parthenon marbles (Mr Georgiou, 3 Apr); debated.

Public education (Mr Sawford, 3 Apr); debated.

### **Private Members' business**

Reconciliation Week (Ms Hoare, 29 May); debated.

Rugby League (Mr Baird, 6 Mar); debated.

Television advertisements (Dr Emerson, 6 Mar); debated.

Telstra (Mr A. P. Thomson, 19 Jun); debated.

Zimbabwe (Mrs Moylan, 5 Jun); debated.

### **Procedural**

Leave of absence to-

All Members—

(Mr Reith, 13 Apr); agreed to.

(Mr Slipper, 29 Jun); agreed to.

Minister for Aged Care (Mrs B K Bishop, 15 Feb); agreed to.

Minister for Sport and Tourism (extension) (Mr Reith, 13 Mar); agreed to.

Rescission of a resolution of House earlier in the day agreeing to Senate amendments to a bill (*Dr Wooldridge*, 8 *Jun*); agreed to.

Special Adjournment—

(Mr Reith, 17 Feb); agreed to.

(Mr Reith, 13 Apr); debated and agreed to.

(Mr Reith, 11 May); agreed to.

(Mr Reith, 8 Jun); debated and agreed to.

(Mr Slipper, 29 Jun); agreed to.

Statement of Deputy Speaker in relation to constitutional questions raised by Senate's amendments to a bill be endorsed by House (*Mr McGauran*, 7 *Jun*); debated and agreed to.

Suspension of standing and sessional orders to enable—

Attendance in the House of Minister for Aged Care to explain letter from her Department to Australian Federal Police (*Mr Beazley, 9 Mar*); negatived.

Rescission forthwith of a resolution of the House earlier in the day agreeing to Senate amendments to a bill (*Dr Wooldridge*, 8 *Jun*); agreed to.

Order for second reading of a bill to be made an order of the day for the next sitting be rescinded to enable second reading to be moved forthwith (*Mr Beazley*, 15 Mar); negatived.

Government business, order of the day, to be called on forthwith—

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(Mr Beazley, 8 Mar); negatived.
(Mr Beazley, 5 Apr); negatived.
(Mr Beazley, 3 Apr); negatived.
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Motions to be moved—

Censuring Minister for Finance and Administration and Minister for Defence (Mr Tanner, 1 Jun); negatived.

Minister for Health and Aged Care—to explain matters concerning 1998 MRI Budget decision and inquiry—

### **Procedural**

(Ms Macklin, 10 May); negatived.

(Mr Beazley, 11 May); negatived.

Private Members' business, notice, to be called on forthwith (Mr Beazley, 16 Mar); negatived.

Private Members' business, notice, to be called on and the second reading to be moved forthwith (*Mr Andren, 4 Apr*); debated and negatived.

Routine of business for remainder of sitting and time of next sitting (Mr Slipper, 19 Jun); agreed to.

Speech time limits to be varied for debate on motion to suspend standing and sessional orders relating to private Members' business notice (*Mr Reith*, 4 *Apr*); agreed to.

Time and routine of business for 7 Mar (Mr Reith, 6 Mar); agreed to.

Suspension of standing order—

48A on 11 May (Mr Reith, 10 May); agreed to.

103 for sitting (Mr Ronaldson, 29 Jun); agreed to.

### Other

Death—Vote of condolence—Mr Gregory Stuart Wilton (Member for Isaacs) (Mr Howard, 19 Jun); debated and agreed to.

Commemoration of first sitting of Commonwealth Parliament, May 2001—Invitation from Parliament of Victoria (*Mr Reith*, 26 Jun); debated and agreed to.

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# **OTHER BUSINESS**

Statements by Speaker	Made
Australian Parliamentary Delegation to Tanzania, 22-27 Apr and 103 <sup>rd</sup> Inter-Parliamentary Conference, Amman, 30 Apr-6 May	26 Jun
Broadcasting arrangements—Proposed change	15 Mar
Commemoration of first sitting of Commonwealth Parliament	26 Jun
Greenhouse challenge achievements at Parliament	16 Mar
House of Representatives Seminars (2)	6 Mar
House of Representatives Seminars	16 Mar
Joint sitting of the Victorian Parliament	10 May
Parliamentary Secretaries	10 May
Privilege	16 Feb
Privilege	15 Mar
Privilege	10 Apr
Privilege	13 Apr
Privilege	8 Jun
Secret meetings of House	22 Jun
Treaties—Joint Standing Committee	31 May
Yirrkala bark petitions	31 May
Deputy Speaker	
Constitutional significance of Senate amendments	7 Jun
Legislative process	6 Mar

Ministerial statements	Minister	Made
Census of Population and Housing—2001	Mr Hockey	6 Apr
Trade Mission to the Gulf	Mr M A J Vaile	14 Mar
Trade outcomes and objectives	Mr M A J Vaile	5 Apr

Matters of public importance discussed	Member	
Budget	Mr Crean	10 May
Communications services to rural and regional Australia	Mr Smith	16 Mar
Diplomacy in Australia's neighbourhood	Mr Beazley	6 Jun
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Crean	16 Feb
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Swan	17 Feb
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Albanese	14 Mar
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Crean	11 Apr
Goods and Services Tax	Mr K J Thomson	9 May
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Swan	7 Jun
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Crean	21 Jun
Goods and Services Tax	Mr Beazley	22 Jun
Goods and Services Tax on relocatable home parks and boarding houses	Mr Albanese	20 Jun
Goods and Services Tax—Taxation of petrol	Mr Crean	27 Jun
Government policies	Ms Kernot	12 Apr
Indigenous Australians	Mr Beazley	30 May
Minister for Aged Care	Mr Swan	7 Mar
Ministerial responsibility	Ms Macklin	31 May
Prime Minister's leadership	Mr Beazley	5 Apr
Reconciliation with indigenous Australians	Mr Melham	6 Apr
Rural and regional Australia	Mr O'Connor	8 Jun
Sustainable economic growth	Mr Crean	13 Apr
Tax change	Mr Beazley	29 Jun
Telstra job losses	Mr Beazley	9 Mar
Workplace relations reform	Dr Nelson	1 Jun

Parliamentary delegation reports	Presented
Australian Parliamentary Delegations—Reports on visits to—	
45 <sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, Trinidad and Tobago, Sep 1999	29 May
8 <sup>th</sup> annual meeting of Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum, Canberra, 10-13 Jan	26 Jun
Canada and the United States of America, 25 Oct-9 Nov 1999	10 Apr
Kingdom of Cambodia and the 20 <sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Organisation (AIPO), Manila, Philippines, Sep 1999	28 Jun
Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, 26 Apr-4 May	26 Jun
Tanzania, 22-27 Apr and the 103 <sup>rd</sup> Inter-Parliamentary Conference, Amman, 30 Apr-6 May	26 Jun
Tonga, Cook Islands and the First Pacific Community Conference, French Polynesia, 27 Nov-9 Dec 1999	6 Mar

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# **COMMITTEES**

Relates to the period 10 Dec 1999 to 29 Jun 2000 inclusive—times are rounded to the nearest ½ hour

## ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER AFFAIRS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Lieberman (*Chair*), Mrs Draper, Mr Haase, Ms Hoare, Mr Katter, Mr Lloyd, Mr Melham, Mr Quick, Mr Snowdon, Mr Wakelin

The committee met 6 times for a total of 5 hours.

# **AUSTRALIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION** (Joint Statutory)

Membership

Mr Jull (*Presiding Member*), Mr Forrest, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Senator Boswell (to 11 May), Senator Calvert, Senator S Macdonald (from 11 May), Senator Ray

Current inquiry

Nature, scope and appropriateness of ASIO reporting to Australian public

The committee met 3 times for a total of 1½ hours.

# **BROADCASTING OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS** (Joint Statutory)

Membership

The Speaker (*Chair*), The President, Mr Adams, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Lindsay, Mr Morris, Senator Knowles, Senator West

The committee met once for a total of 1½ hours.

# **COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORT AND THE ARTS (Standing)**

Membership

Mr Neville (*Chair*), Mr Gibbons, Mr Hardgrave, Mr Hollis, Mr Jull, Mr Lindsay, Mr McArthur, Mr Mossfield, Mr Murphy, Mr St Clair

Current inquiry

Managing fatigue in transport

Report

Regional radio racing services: Inquiry into the impact of the decision by ABC Radio to discontinue its radio racing service (*presented 26 Jun*)

The committee met 19 times for a total of 28 hours.

# **CORPORATIONS AND SECURITIES (Joint Statutory)**

#### Membership

Senator Chapman (*Chair*), Ms J I Bishop, Mr Cameron, Mr Rudd, Mr Sercombe, Dr Southcott, Senator Conroy, Senator Cooney, Senator Gibson, Senator Murray

#### Current inquiry

Aspects of the Regulation of Proprietary Companies

Draft Financial Services Reform Bill—The impact of CLERP 6 on industry and investors

Fees on electronic and telephone banking

#### Report

Corporations Law Amendment (Employee Entitlements) Bill 2000 (presented 10 Apr)

Mandatory Bid Rule (presented 21 Jun)

The committee met 12 times for a total of 21 hours and its subcommittee met once for a total of 3 hours.

# ECONOMICS, FINANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (Standing)

#### Membership

Mr Hawker (*Chair*), Mr Albanese, Ms Burke, Ms Gambaro, Mrs Hull, Mr Latham, Mr Pyne, Mr Somlyay, Dr Southcott, Mr Wilton (to 14 Jun)

#### Current inquiries

Review of the ANAO audit report No. 37 1998-99 on the management of Tax File Numbers

International financial market effects on government policy

Review of the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority's supervision and prudential regulation of those areas of the financial services sector for which it is responsible

Review of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

#### Reports

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia annual report 1998-99—Interim report (presented 13 Mar)

Review of the Reserve Bank of Australia annual report 1998-99 (presented 26 Jun)

The committee met 25 times for a total of 43½ hours.

# **ELECTORAL MATTERS (Joint Standing) (formed 7 Dec 1998)**

#### Membership

Mr Nairn (*Chair*), Mr Danby, Mr L D T Ferguson, Mr Forrest, Mr Somlyay, Senator Bartlett, Senator Boswell, Senator Faulkner, Senator Mason, Senator Murray

#### Report

The 1998 federal election: Inquiry into the conduct of the 1998 federal election and matters related thereto (presented 26 Jun)

The committee met 14 times for a total of 22½ hours.

# EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS (Standing)

Membership

Dr Nelson (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Mrs Elson (from 31 May), Mr Emerson, Ms Gambaro, Mrs Gash (to 31 May), Ms Gillard, Mr Katter (to 1 Jun), Mrs May (from 1 Jun), Mr Sawford, Mr Wilkie

Current inquiries

Issues specific to older workers seeking employment, or establishing a business, following unemployment Employee share ownership in Australian enterprises

Education of boys

The committee met 54 times for a total of 128½ hours.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE (Standing)**

Membership

Mr Causley (*Chair*), Mr Barresi, Mr Bartlett, Mr Billson, Mr Byrne (from 1 Jun), Mrs Gallus, Ms Gerick, Mrs Irwin (to 1 Jun), Mr Jenkins, Dr Lawrence, Mrs D S Vale

Current inquiries

Catchment management

Public good conservation - the impact of conservation measures imposed on land holders

The committee met 16 times for a total of 62 hours.

## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (Standing)

Membership

Mr Wakelin (*Chair*), Mr K J Andrews, Ms J I Bishop (from 13 Apr, supplementary member for inquiry into substance abuse), Mr Edwards, Ms Ellis, Mrs Elson (to 31 May), Mrs Gash (from 31 May), Ms Hall, Mrs Irwin (from 13 Apr, supplementary member for inquiry into substance abuse), Mr Jenkins (to 5 Jun, supplementary member for inquiry into indigenous health), Mrs D M Kelly, Dr Nelson, Mr Nugent (to 5 Jun, supplementary member for inquiry into indigenous health), Mr Quick, Mr Schultz

Current inquiry

Social and economic cost of substance abuse

Report

Health is life: Inquiry into indigenous health (presented 5 Jun)

The committee met 23 times for a total of 49 hours.

# **FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (Joint Standing)** (formed 7 Dec 1998)

Membership

Senator Ferguson (*Chair*), Fran Bailey, Mr Baird, Mr Brereton, Mrs Crosio, Mr L D T Ferguson, Mr Hawker, Mr Hollis, Mr Jull, Mrs D M Kelly, Mr Lieberman, Mr Martin, Mrs Moylan, Mr Nugent, Mr O'Keefe, Mr Price, Mr Prosser, Mr Pyne, Mr Snowdon, Dr Southcott, Mr A P Thomson, Senator Bourne, Senator Calvert, Senator Chapman, Senator Cook, Senator Gibbs, Senator Harradine, Senator Sandy Macdonald (from 9 May), Senator O'Brien, Senator Payne, Senator Quirke, Senator Schacht

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND TRADE (Joint Standing)—continued

#### Current inquiries

Australia's trade and investment relationship with South America

Suitability of the Australian Army for peacetime, peacekeeping and war

Australia's efforts to promote and protect freedom of religion and belief

Australia's relations with the United Nations

Australia's relations with the Middle East

#### Report

Visit to East Timor (presented 6 Mar)

The committee met 21 times for a total of 18 hours and its subcommittees met 59 times for a total of 86 hours.

The committee also met informally 6 times for a total of 5 hours.

## **HOUSE (Standing)**

#### Membership

The Speaker, Mr Charles, Mr Hollis, Mr McLeay, Mr Nehl, Mr Sawford, Mr Somlyay

The committee met 2 times for a total of 1 hour.

# **INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESOURCES (Standing)**

#### Membership

Mr Prosser (*Chair*—from 17 Feb), Mr Lloyd (*Chair*—to 17 Feb), Mr Brough (to 8 Mar), Mr Hatton, Mr Lawler (to 22 Jun), Mr I E Macfarlane (from 22 Jun), Mr Morris, Mr Nairn, Ms Roxon, Mr C P Thompson (from 8 Mar), Dr Washer, Mr Zahra

Current inquiry

Adding value to Australian raw materials

#### Report

Of material value?: Inquiry into increasing the value added to Australian raw materials—first report (presented 10 Apr)

The committee met 37 times for a total of 54 hours.

# **LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS (Standing)**

#### Membership

Mr K J Andrews (*Chair*), Mr Billson (from 17 Feb), Ms J I Bishop, Mr Cadman, Mr Kerr, Ms Livermore, Mr Murphy, Mr Ronaldson (to 17 Feb), Ms Roxon, Mr St Clair, Mrs D S Vale

#### Current inquiries

Enforcement of copyright

Scientific, ethical and regulatory aspects of human cloning

#### Reports

Advisory report on the Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Bill 2000 (presented 26 Jun)

Advisory report on the Criminal Code Amendment (Theft, Fraud, Bribery and Related Offences) Bill 1999 (presented 26 Jun)

The committee met 30 times for a total of 63½ hours.

## LIBRARY (Standing)

Membership

The Speaker, Mr Adams, Mr L D T Ferguson, Ms Hoare, Mr Lawler, Mr I E Macfarlane, Dr Washer The committee met twice for a total of 4 hours.

## **MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Standing)**

Membership

Mr Somlyay (Chair), Mr K J Andrews, Mrs Crosio, Mr Jenkins, Mr Neville, Mr Nugent, Mr O'Keefe

**Papers** 

Notifications of alterations of interests and a statement of registrable interests received during the period 9 Dec 1999 to 12 Apr (*presented 13 Apr*)

Notifications of alterations of interests received during the period 17 Apr to 28 Jun (presented 29 Jun)

Report

Report on the operations of the committee for 1999 (presented 16 Mar)

The committee met once for a total of 30 minutes.

## MIGRATION (Joint Standing) (formed 7 Dec 1998)

Membership

Mrs Gallus (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Baird, Mrs Irwin, Mrs May, Mr Ripoll, Senator Bartlett, Senator Eggleston, Senator McKiernan, Senator Tierney

Current inquiries

Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2000

Review of State-specific migration mechanisms

The committee met 22 times for a total of 75 hours.

The committee also met informally once for a total of 1 hour.

# NATIONAL CAPITAL AND EXTERNAL TERRITORIES (Joint Standing) (formed 7 Dec 1998)

Membership

Senator Lightfoot (*Chair*), Mr Cameron, Ms Ellis, Mr Nehl, Mr Neville, Mr Snowdon, Mr Somlyay, Senator Crossin, Senator Greig, Senator Lundy, Senator Watson, Senator West

Current inquiry

Provision of health services on Norfolk Island

The committee met 10 times for a total of 19 hours.

The committee also met informally once for a total of 1 hour.

## **NATIONAL CRIME AUTHORITY (Joint Statutory)**

#### Membership

Mr Nugent (*Chair*), Mr Edwards, Mr Hardgrave, Mr Kerr, Mr Somlyay, Senator George Campbell, Senator Denman, Senator Ferris, Senator Greig (from 19 Jun), Senator McGauran, Senator Stott Despoja (to 19 Jun)

Current inquiry

Witness protection

The law enforcement implications of new technology

The committee met 8 times for a total of  $6\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

# NATIVE TITLE AND THE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER LAND FUND (Joint Statutory)

#### Membership

Senator Ferris (*Chair*), Mr Causley, Mr Haase, Mr Melham, Mr Secker, Mr Snowdon, Senator Abetz, Senator Crossin, Senator McLucas, Senator Woodley

Current inquiry

Section 206(d) of the Native Title Act

Report

CERD and the *Native Title Amendment Act 1998 (presented 28 Jun)* 

The committee met 20 times for a total of 30 hours.

## PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL SERVICES (Standing)

#### Membership

Fran Bailey (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Andren, Mr Griffin (to 19 Jun, supplementary member for inquiry into primary producer access to gene technology), Mr Horne, Mr Katter, Mr Lawler, Mr I E Macfarlane, Mr McLeay, Mr Nairn, Mr Secker, Mr Sidebottom, Mr C P Thompson, Dr Washer (to 19 Jun, supplementary member for inquiry into primary producer access to gene technology)

#### Reports

Time running out: Shaping regional Australia's future—Report of the inquiry into infrastructure and the development of Australia's regional areas (*presented 13 Mar*)

Work in progress: Proceed with caution—Primary producer access to gene technology (presented 19 Jun)

The committee met 14 times for a total of 37 hours.

# **PRIVILEGES** (Standing)

#### Membership

Mr Somlyay (*Chair*), Mr K J Andrews, Mr Danby, Mr Jull, Mr McClelland (nominee of the Deputy Leader of the Opposition), Mr McLeay, Mrs May, Mr Neville, Mr Sawford, Mr Sercombe, Dr Southcott (nominee of the Leader of the House)

#### Current inquiry

Status of records held by Members of the House of Representatives

The committee met 3 times for a total of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

The committee also met informally once for a total of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

## **PROCEDURE** (Standing)

Membership

Mr Pyne (Chair), Mr Cameron, Mr M J Ferguson, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Ms Gerick, Mr Price

Current inquiry

Review of the Main Committee

Report

*e-motions*: The electronic transaction of questions, answers and notices of motion and related matters (*presented 12 Apr*)

The committee met 10 times for a total of 6 hours.

## **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT (Joint Statutory)**

Membership

Mr Charles (*Chair*), Mr K J Andrews, Mr Brough (to 7 Mar), Mr Cox, Mr Georgiou, Ms Gillard, Mr Lindsay (from 7 Mar), Ms Plibersek (to 10 Apr), Mr St Clair, Mr Somlyay, Mr Tanner, Mr K J Thomson (from 10 Apr), Senator Coonan, Senator Faulkner, Senator Gibson, Senator Hogg, Senator Murray, Senator Watson

Current inquiries

Community Education and Information Programme

Contract management in the Australian Public Service

Coastwatch

Review of Auditor-General's Reports 1999-00, Second quarter

Paper

Draft budget estimates for the Australian National Audit Office—Statement by Chair (presented 9 May)

Reports

Report 372—Corporate Governance and accountability arrangements for Commonwealth Government Business Enterprises (*presented 16 Feb*)

Report 373—Review of Auditor-General's reports 1998-99, Second half (presented 16 Mar)

Report 374—Review of Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997 and the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997 (presented 16 Mar)

Report 375—Annual report 1998-99 (presented 10 May)

Report 376— Review of Auditor-General's reports 1999-00, First quarter (presented 7 Jun)

The committee met 10 times for a total of 14 hours and its sectional committees met 18 times for a total of 45½ hours.

## **PUBLIC WORKS (Joint Statutory)**

Membership

Mrs Moylan (*Chair*), Mrs Crosio, Mr Forrest, Mr Hollis, Mr Lindsay, Mr Ripoll, Senator Calvert, Senator Ferguson, Senator Murphy

Current inquiries

Development of 90 apartments in Darwin

CSIRO Energy Centre at Steel River, Newcastle, NSW

Construction of mixed residential dwellings at Block 87, Section 24, Stirling, ACT

Fitout of new leased premises for the Australian Bureau of Statistics, Belconnen, ACT

RAAF Base Edinburgh, Redevelopment Stage 1, Adelaide

## PUBLIC WORKS (Joint Statutory)—continued

Reports

CSIRO/University of Queensland Joint Building Project, St Lucia, Qld (presented 16 Feb)

63<sup>rd</sup> general report (presented 16 Mar)

Proposed ABC Sydney Accommodation Project, Ultimo, NSW (presented 6 Apr)

HMAS Albatross Stage 2 redevelopment, Nowra, NSW (presented 13 Apr)

Housing development at Parap Grove, Darwin (presented 1 Jun)

Defence Science and Technology Organisation Rationalisation Project, Melbourne (presented 22 Jun)

Navy ammunitioning facility, Twofold Bay, NSW (presented 27 Jun)

The committee met 20 times for a total of 45 hours and its sectional committees met once for a total of 4 hours.

## **PUBLICATIONS (Standing)**

Membership

Mr Lieberman (Chair), Mr Hardgrave, Mrs Hull, Mr Lloyd, Ms J S McFarlane, Mr Rudd, Mr Sidebottom

### Reports

12<sup>th</sup> Report (presented 17 Feb)

13<sup>th</sup> Report (presented 16 Mar)

14<sup>th</sup> Report (presented 13 Apr)

15<sup>th</sup> Report (presented 11 May)

16<sup>th</sup> Report (presented 8 Jun)

17<sup>th</sup> Report (presented 29 Jun)

The committee met 8 times for a total of 4½ hours.

# **SELECTION (Standing)**

Membership

Mr Nehl (*Chair*), Mrs Elson, Mr Forrest, Mrs Gash, Mr Hollis, Mr McArthur, Mr McLeay, Mr Neville, Mr Ronaldson, Mr Sawford, Mr Sercombe

#### Reports

Reports relating to the program of business on Monday—

6 Mar (presented 14 Feb)

6 Mar (amended) (presented 17 Feb)

13 Mar (presented 7 Mar)

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3 Apr (amended) (presented 16 Mar)

10 Apr (presented 4 Apr)

29 May (presented 9 May)

5 Jun (presented 30 May)

19 Jun (presented 6 Jun)

### **SELECTION** (Standing)—continued

26 Jun (presented 20 Jun)

14 Aug (presented 27 Jun)

14 Aug (amended) (presented 29 Jun)

The committee met 9 times for a total of 1½ hours.

# TREATIES (Joint Standing) (formed 7 Dec 1998)

#### Membership

Mr A P Thomson (*Chair*), Mr Adams, Mr Baird, Mr Bartlett, Mr Byrne (from 16 Feb), Mrs Crosio (to 16 Feb), Mrs Elson, Mr Hardgrave, Mrs D M Kelly, Mr Wilkie, Senator Bartlett (from 7 Mar), Senator Coonan, Senator Cooney, Senator Ludwig, Senator Mason, Senator Schacht, Senator Stott-Despoja (to 7 Mar), Senator Tchen

#### Current inquiries

Treaties tabled on 6 June 2000

Australia's relationship with the world trade organisation

The Kyoto Protocol

#### Reports

29<sup>th</sup> Report—Singapore's Use of Shoalwater Bay, Development Cooperation with PNG and Protection of New Varieties of Plants (*presented 6 Mar*)

30<sup>th</sup> Report—Treaties tabled on 8 and 9 December 1999 and 15 February 2000 (presented 3 Apr)

31st Report—Three treaties tabled on 7 March 2000 (presented 10 Apr)

32<sup>nd</sup> Report—Six treaties tabled on 7 March 2000 (presented 29 May)

33<sup>rd</sup> Report—Social Security Agreement with Italy and New Zealand committee exchange (presented 5 Jun)

The committee met 16 times for a total of 18½ hours.

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Industry, Science and Resources—Standing Committee—The effect of Certain Public Policy Changes on Australia's R&D, Aug 1999	13 Apr
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