



This week at a glance

15 to 18 March 2010

On the first day of each sitting week the Senate Daily Summary outlines the business scheduled for consideration in the Senate. On subsequent days, it provides a convenient summary of the previous day's proceedings in the Senate, with links to official Senate records.

Another document useful in tracking the business of the Senate is the [Dynamic Red](#), which records proceedings in the Senate as they happen.

Legislation

For [bills and related documents](#)

Bills to be considered

The government has scheduled bills for debate this week, as follows:

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- ❑ Electoral and Referendum Amendment (Close of Rolls and Other Measures) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (2009 Measures) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Health Legislation Amendment (Midwives and Nurse Practitioners) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
Midwife Professional Indemnity (Commonwealth Contribution) Scheme Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
Midwife Professional Indemnity (Run-off Cover Support Payment) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Telecommunications Legislation Amendment (Competition and Consumer Safeguards) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Trade Practices Amendment (Australian Consumer Law) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]

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- ❑ Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Offences Against Children) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Income Support for Students) Bill 2009 [No. 2] [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Social Security and Other Legislation Amendment (Welfare Reform and Reinstatement of Racial Discrimination Act) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2010 Measures No. 1) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]

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- ❑ Antarctic Treaty (Environment Protection) Amendment Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Australian National Preventive Health Agency Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Building and Construction Industry Improvement Amendment (Transition to Fair Work) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Health Insurance Amendment (Diagnostic Imaging Accreditation) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Native Title Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Private Health Insurance Legislation Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2009 [[homepage](#)]

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- ❑ Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2009-2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Appropriation Bill (No. 4) 2009-2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs and Other Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Measures) Bill 2008 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Child Care) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Fisheries Legislation Amendment Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Social Security and Family Assistance Legislation Amendment (Weekly Payments) Bill 2010 [[homepage](#)]
- ❑ Trade Practices Amendment (Infrastructure Access) Bill 2009 [[homepage](#)]

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Committees

For scheduled public committee hearings [click here](#)

Reports due to be tabled this week

Reports on legislation

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- ❑ Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Offences Against Children) Bill 2010—Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee
- ❑ Governance of Australian Government Superannuation Schemes Bill 2010 and related bills—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
- ❑ Healthcare Identifiers Bill 2010 and a related bill—Community Affairs Legislation Committee
- ❑ Tax Laws Amendment (2010 Measures No. 1) Bill 2010—Economics Legislation Committee

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- ❑ Freedom of Information Amendment (Reform) Bill 2009 and the Information Commissioner Bill 2009—Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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- ❑ Safe Climate (Energy Efficient Non-Residential Buildings Scheme) Bill 2009—Economics Legislation Committee

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- ❑ Poker Machine (Reduced Losses—Interim Measures) Bill 2009 and the Protecting Problem Gamblers Bill 2009—Community Affairs Legislation Committee

Other reports

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- ❑ Australia Post's treatment of injured and ill workers—Environment, Communications and the Arts References Committee

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- ❑ Australian dairy industry—Economics References Committee
- ❑ Equity and diversity health checks in the Royal Australian Navy—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee
- ❑ Import restrictions on beef—Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Proposed reference

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- ❑ Government's response to Australian citizens who are kidnapped and held for ransom overseas—Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee—to report by 13 May 2010
- ❑ Interactive and online gambling—Community Affairs References Committee—to report by 14 May 2010

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- ❑ Matters relating to the Church of Scientology—Community Affairs References Committee—to report by 18 March 2010

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Online

The *Senate Daily Summary* is available on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

It is issued by the Senate Table Office as a convenient summary of each day's proceedings in the Senate. For a complete account see the official record, the *Journals of the Senate*, on the Internet at <http://www.aph.gov.au/senate/pubs/index.htm>.

Related resources

The *Order of Business* (or 'Senate Red') and the *Dynamic Red* (which updates the *Order of Business* throughout the sitting day) are also available on the Internet at www.aph.gov.au/senate

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