



Senate Daily Summary

28 June 2000

The Senate met from 9.30am until 8.00pm

Legislation

[For full text of bills and other associated documents click here](#) 

The following bills were introduced in the Senate

Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil) Bill 2000
Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil) Bill 2000
Product Stewardship (Oil) Bill 2000
Product Stewardship (Oil) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2000

The following bill was considered

Broadcasting Services Amendment (Digital Television and Datacasting) Bill 2000 and a related bill—committee of the whole consideration continued
(Broadcasting Services Amendment (Digital Television and Datacasting) Bill 2000: 37 Government, 27 Opposition, 3 Democrat and 2 Opposition/Democrat amendments agreed to, 1 Opposition and 1 Greens amendments postponed)

The following bills were passed

With amendments

[The House of Representatives will now consider the amendments made by the Senate to these bills]

Indirect Tax Legislation Amendment Bill 2000
Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2000

The following messages from the House of Representatives were reported

Indirect Tax Legislation Amendment Bill 2000—The message reported that the House of Representatives had made the Senate requests [see

Legislation, bills passed, with amendments]

Social Security and Veterans' Entitlements Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous Matters) Bill 2000—The message reported that the House of Representatives had not made the further request made by the Senate. The Senate agreed not to press its further request. [see **Legislation, bills passed, with amendments]**

Youth Allowance Consolidation Bill 1999–The message reported that the House had agreed to amendments made by the Senate [This bill will now be assented to]

The following bills were exempted from the cut-off order (to enable consideration this period of sittings)

A New Tax System (Tax Administration) Bill (No. 2) 2000
Customs Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil) Bill 2000
Excise Amendment (Compliance Improvement) Bill 2000
Excise Tariff Amendment (Product Stewardship for Waste Oil) Bill 2000
New Business Tax System (Miscellaneous) Bill (No. 2) 2000
Primary Industries Legislation Amendment (Vegetable Levy) Bill 2000
Product Stewardship (Oil) Bill 2000
Product Stewardship (Oil) (Consequential Amendments) Bill 2000

Notices of motion given

To exempt a bill from certain provisions of standing order 111 (to enable consideration this period of sittings)

Compensation Measures Legislation Amendment (Rent Assistance Increase) Bill 2000

To introduce a bill

Therapeutic Goods Amendment Bill (No. 3) 2000–Notice of motion given by Senator Hill

See the **Committees** section for details of reports relating to legislation

Committees

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Estimates

Additional information tabled

Additional information received by the Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee relating to Additional Estimates 1999–2000 supplementary hearings was tabled (volumes 1 and 2)

Reports tabled

- ❑ A sanctuary under review: An examination of Australia's refugee and humanitarian determination processes–Legal and Constitutional References Committee
- ❑ CERD and the *Native Title Amendment Act 1998* (16th report)–Native Title and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund Joint Committee
- ❑ Scrutiny of Bills Committee–[Alert digest No. 9 of 2000](#) and [9th report of 2000](#) [contains assessments of bills on civil liberties and related grounds]
- ❑ Selection of Bills Committee–[Report No. 10 of 2000](#) (tabled and adopted with an amendment) [contains recommendations to refer bills to legislation committees]
- ❑ Senators' Interests Committee–Register of senators' interests–4 December 1999 to 22 June 2000

Further documents tabled

Northern Prawn Fishery Amendment Management Plan 1999–Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee–*Hansard* and correspondence

Government response to President's report tabled

Response to schedule of government responses outstanding to reports tabled by the Deputy President on 8 December 1999

Membership

The Senate agreed to the following change to committee membership:

- ❑ Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee–Senator Calvert to replace Senator Macdonald on 29 June 2000

New inquiry

The Senate agreed to refer the [Gene Technology Bill 2000 and other matters](#) to the Community Affairs References Committee–to report by 5 September 2000

*See the **Reports tabled** section (Selection of Bills Committee Report) for details of bills referred to committees*

Reconvened Estimates hearing

Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee–for further examination of the Employment Advocate (if determined necessary by the Committee following receipt of certain answers to questions on notice)

Reporting date

The Senate agreed to the following extension of time for a committee to report:

- ❑ Hospital services improvement, within the legislated principles of Medicare–Community Affairs References Committee–12 October 2000

Notices of motion given

To extend a reporting deadline

Australia in relation to Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)–Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade References Committee–16 August 2000

To refer matters to committees

- ❑ Banking practices and related matters–Economics References Committee
- ❑ Mass marketed tax effective schemes and investor protection and related matters–Economics References Committee
- ❑ States Grants (Primary and Secondary Education Assistance) Bill 2000–Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Legislation Committee–to report by 6 September 2000

Delegated legislation

[For a complete list of notices of motion to disallow \(and outcomes\) click here](#) 

Regulation disallowed

The Senate ***agreed to disallow*** the Corporations Amendment Regulations 2000 (No. 4), as contained in Statutory Rules 2000 No. 50 and made under the *Corporations Act 1989*

See the ***Documents*** section for details of instruments tabled

Motion agreed to

The Senate agreed to [a motion](#) which related to human rights in Burma—Moved by Senator Brown

Notices of motion

[For other notices of motion not mentioned elsewhere click here](#) 

Orders for the return of documents

Notice of motion given

Senator Harris gave a [notice of motion](#) (to be moved on 17 August 2000) to require the Minister for Transport and Regional Services to table all correspondence, reports, investigations and any other information and documentation from the Federal Office of Road Safety in relation to certain matters (on 7 September 2000)

Documents

The following documents were tabled:

- ❑ [Clerk's documents](#) (disallowable instruments and other documents required by statute to be tabled)
- ❑ [Government documents](#)
- ❑ Parliamentary delegation report relating to: Kingdom of Cambodia, and Manila, Philippines (20th General Assembly of AIPO)
- ❑ Senate Senior Executive Officers' Interests Register (4 December 1999 to 22 June 2000)

Petitions

[5 petitions were tabled](#)

Also in the Senate yesterday

- ❑ Matters of public interest debate
- ❑ Questions without notice and debate on issues arising in Question Time
- ❑ Adjournment debate

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